

## **Board Meeting Minutes May 19, 2003**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM at the Chicago Pizza Kitchen in Livonia. In attendance were Evelyn DeNike, Restee Johnson, Dorothy Williamson, and Joy Jacobs. President Peggy Vuylsteke was unable to attend, and she had sent the agenda to board members before the meeting.

Secretary Nancy Johnson is on vacation, but she had sent out the minutes of the March 18 board meeting, which were approved as amended.

Treasurer Jean Horrocks was unable to attend, but she had sent the treasurer's report which was approved.

Old Business/New Business/Other:

***Tri-Association Meeting with FACSEM and MEAFCS*** - The date of August 13 has been chosen for this networking meeting. Peggy has contacted Dr. June Youatt of MSU to ask if she would facilitate the discussion. Evelyn will arrange catering of lunch. Registration cost for the meeting will be \$7.50, which will cover lunch and most of the break costs. Peggy and Joy will bake muffins, and we will make coffee for pre-meeting. For the afternoon break, we may purchase bottled juices and iced teas and chill them.

***Multi-State Conference*** - Joy handed out information fliers and registration forms and reported that about 50 registrations had already been received. The deadline for the lower registration fee has been extended to May 30.

***FACSEM Board Meeting*** - Peggy and Joy attended the Saturday, May 17, meeting of the teacher's organization board. An invitation to the Tri-Association Meeting was extended, and fliers were distributed. Joy had also taken a disc on which was the flier and information on the Multi-State Conference. FACSEM will put the information and registration forms on their website and in their newsletter. The board meeting was a positive experience, and this board seems to be open to networking with us for the benefit of our profession. MAFCS will again take part in their annual meeting, which will be held at the Holiday Inn South in Lansing on October 1-2. We will plan a mixer for the first evening. The board thanked Peggy and Joy for the motivational speaker MAFCS paid for last year, and suggested that they would handle snacks or dessert for our mixer this year. Their 2004 meeting is scheduled for October 20-22 in Midland.

***2003 AAFCS Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C.*** - Peggy and Restee will be our Senators, and Restee will carry the flag in the opening ceremonies. Restee asked if MAFCS would "up" the stipend to \$500 per Senator and a motion was made, seconded and passed. Joy will ask the Treasurer to send checks to Restee and Peggy.

***AAFCS Annual Report from MAFCS*** - Peggy had given Joy a copy of the report she had submitted to AAFCS detailing our accomplishments for the year and our plans for next year. Joy had made copies to hand out to the board.

***AAFCS Leadership Conference*** - Peggy had suggested that the board discuss the annual AAFCS Leadership Conference and who should be sent from MAFCS. Evelyn thought that sending two people was a good idea. We have sent the President-Elect when we've had one, and twice have sent other Board members. We have usually paid for plane fare and for the registration, which has in the past included the hotel. It was suggested that an article about the Leadership Conference be put in the newsletter with the request that MAFCS members apply to represent us with the stipulation that they accept nomination to the Board later. Evelyn volunteered to do a newsletter article and stress the importance of volunteering and representing our professional association.

***MSU College of Human Ecology Alumni Award for Fred Meijer*** - several MAFCS members were asked to write letters of support for Mr. Meijer's nomination. MAFCS has also nominated him for the Friend of the Family award at the Multi-State Conference. His secretary has said that he would not be able to attend, and the Board had a short discussion of ideas for the luncheon at which the award is to be given. Dorothy Williamson will check with the Meijer Gardens staff to see if there is a video or some kind of computer presentation that could be shown at the MS03 meeting luncheon. Joy suggested asking if a Meijer store manager in the area might be able to accept the award for Mr. Meijer.

***Newsletter*** - Joy reported that the next newsletter is almost ready to go, and that the minutes from this meeting would be included. She still needs to write an article asking for a member to take over editing the newsletter for the Fall issue. A secretary at MSU has been a wonderful resource in organizing the newsletter after Joy compiles and writes the articles, and the secretary has not asked for compensation. Evelyn suggested that we offer \$30 per edition and that perhaps a gift certificate to a restaurant or mall would be nice. Moved and seconded that we pay Rebekah Hansen \$30 per edition. Joy will talk to Rebekah to see what she whether she would like a gift certificate or a check.

***50-Year Members*** - We have three this year: Linda Nelson, Thelma Hansen, and Barbara Densmore. Moved and seconded that we write to them and tell them that we will pay their registration for the Multi-State meeting if they plan to go. We will also purchase a memento gift (cost \$25-30 each) to be presented at the MACS annual meeting, which will be held one afternoon at the Multi-State Conference.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joy Jacobs for Nancy Johnson