Ohio JCEP Board Meeting Minutes  
June 17, 2019

Attending the meeting in 4-H Center were: Lisa Barlage, Shannon Carter, Candace Heer, Melinda Hill, Laryssa Hook, Pete Lane, Elliott Lawrence, Emily Marrison, Laura Rohlf, Kate Shumaker, Meghan Thoreau, Kathy Tutt, Elizabeth Varanese, Adam Ziadeh. Guest – Morgan Miller, intern.

Call to Order – Lisa Barlage, President called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM.

Officer Reports

- President: Lisa Barlage – Lisa reminded us the August meeting is a Zoom meeting and in October we will again be in the 4-H Center.

- President Elect: Chris Zoller – Lisa reported for Chris. He is still working on the 2020 meeting dates. Ag Admin remodel will not be finished for the winter meetings, and the 4-H Center may not be an option. Ag Econ and ACEL have space but are not big enough. Chris is looking for meeting site suggestions. Meghan Thoreau suggested the STEAM area at OSU and she will get him information.

- Past-President: Kate Shumaker – no report

- Secretary Report: Laryssa Hook – Kathy Tutt moved to approve the April minutes as presented by Laryssa. Seconded by Adam Ziadeh. Motion passed.

- Treasurer’s Report: Melinda Morrison Ryan – Lisa reported that Melinda was unable to attend the meeting. Melinda has ordered the debit card and it should be arriving soon.

- Annalist Report: Michelle Treber – Lisa read the following report provided by Michelle.

  John Ruoff, 79, passed away on March 26, 2019. He was a 4-H educator in Clermont County, district 4-H program specialist and 4-H educator in Auglaize County.

  Edwin “Ed” Brubaker, 85, died April 8, 2019. He was an Assistant Professor, Southwest District Specialist in Community Development.

  Tina Marie Secrest, 60, died on April 9, 2019. She worked at the Belmont County office.

  Ruby Sells, 84, died on April 14, 2019. She was involved with Cooperative Extension Service and 4-H programs in Ohio and received many international and national awards.

  Dr. Peter Spike, 78, died on April 17, 2019. He was an Assistant Professor, Dairy Extension Specialist and area agent.

  William “Bill” Schnug, 93, passed away on April 27, 2019. He was an Associate Professor working with the Ohio Cooperative Extension Service, working with farmers and 4-Hers across Ohio.

  Edward Clime Fladt, 89, passed away on May 6, 2019. He was an Agricultural Agent in Clinton County.
Jim Dayton, 70, passed away on May 31, 2019. He retired as a systems engineer at Comm Tech.

**Retiree/Life Member Report** – Pete Lane stated the Extension Director and representatives from the college will attend the 2019 picnic will be September 9th at Beck’s. They need $250 for the food, which was in the approved JCEP budget. Pete will follow up with Melinda Ryan to obtain the funds.

**Committee Reports**

**Global Relations** – Elizabeth Varanese reported the committee has worked on becoming more visible. They are submitting a proposal for an FCS conference session and will be at Farm Science Review in September. The committee also plans to send out email communications about upcoming international Extension opportunities and international opportunities within the college.

Elizabeth passed out two handouts. One included the purpose of the committee and highlighted the results of a survey sent to Extension professionals in 2018. The other provided information on a trip they are planning to Choluteca, Honduras.

Elizabeth briefly shared the survey results, which indicated high interest from Extension personnel about having international experiences. However, personnel are concerned about leaving work and family for long blocks of time.

The trip to Honduras is tentatively planned for 2020, and they are looking for partnerships to work with to create more opportunities while they are there. One group they have reached is World Gospel Mission, of which Larry and Angie Overholt are employed. Larry received his PhD from CFAES in 2018.

The committee would like to request $4000 to help with this trip, and then annually have an amount in the budget allotted to this committee. Their goal is to have a sustainable project offered each year and have consistent funding. Because this request is for 2020, it was suggest the committee put this request to the Resource Development & Management committee for inclusion in the 2020 JCEP budget.

- **Marketing** – Kathy Tutt reported for the committee. They are still working on the closed Facebook group for JCEP. The group is created, but the link has a glitch and is not active for members to join the group.

- **Membership, Recruitment & Retention** – Kathy Tutt reported that Debby Lewis is working on a brochure. Debby will also work on the membership enrollment survey and the committee plans to test it prior to sending it out in early fall. The committee presented at the support staff conference to answer questions about joining CES and the affiliate JCEP level.

- **Personnel** – no report

- **Professional Development** – Tim Malinich stated the committee did not meet, however they are working on narrowing their focus as a committee to have measurable and achievable goals. They are looking at the top three things members want from the committee. Initial feedback was all over the place, so they are considering ways to narrow down the ideas.

- **Public Issues** – no report

- **Resource Development & Management** – no report
• **Scholarships, Grants and Recognition** – Emily Marrison reported on the following sub-committees:

**Scholarship**
Awardees for the 2nd Round of the JCEP Scholarships:
- Total awarded $2,968
- Amy Stone  International Society of Arboriculture
- Cheryl Spires  Restaurant, Hotel-Motel Show
- Danae Wolfe  BugShot Ecuador
- Katie Feldhues  Volunteerism
- Gary Kuhn  BugShot Ecuador

The next deadline for scholarship consideration will be September 1, 2019

**Grants**
OJCEP will provide grant funds to provide incentive and expense support for current JCEP members in creating or expanding programs, research projects, or other outreach or educational opportunities.

Recently $500 grants were awarded to the following:

*Project: “OSU Extension Junior Farmers Market Program”*
*Applicant: Marcus McCartney and Team:* Amanda Bohlen, Cindy Styer, Pam Montgomery, Katie Marks, Tom Fagan, Heather Warner, and volunteers

*Project: “Mental Health Awareness and Education Teen Retreat”*
*Applicant: Amanda Raines and Team:* Jami Dellifield, Justin Bower, Misty Harmon, and the 4-H Healthy Living Design Team

The next deadline for grant consideration will be SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

**Recognition**
Announcement about opportunities will be emailed to JCEP/ESP members on July 1 and August 1.

Applications will be available on September 1 and due on October 1.

**State Presidents Reports**

- **ANROP** – no report

- **ESP** – Melinda Hill reported that of the ten North Central Region ESP award categories, we won seven of the award categories. Hopefully, most of them are able to attend the conference in Colorado Springs to accept their award in person. The list of winners is:
  - Continued Excellence Award - Judy Villard-Overocker
  - Early Career Service Award - Samuel Custer
  - Visionary Leadership Award - Jami Dellifield
  - International Service Award - Dustin M. Homan
  - Diversity Multicultural - Individual - Jaqueline Kowalski
  - Diversity Multicultural - Team - Hannah Epley and Sally McClaskey
  - Distinguished Team - Jami Dellifield, Misty Harmon, Colleen Fitzgibbons, Lorrissa Dunfee and Heather Gottke
Early-bird registration is open for the national conference through August 31st. The 2020 conference is in Rochester, NY.

- **NACAA** – Laryssa read the following report from Jacqueline Kowalski.

  NACAA Annual Meeting/Professional Development Conference is in Fort Wayne, IN, September 8-12, 2019. This meeting is at an unusual time (Sept) for NACAA. We are not sure how this will affect Ohio participation. We had several regional and national finalists for Communication Awards

  JCEP is not holding the annual mid-year membership drive for a couple of reasons, and we have been advised to tell interested parties to join NACAA via the national chapter. However, NACAA doesn’t normally allow this and we have been given permission to get the ANR folks signed up via national for this year only.

  Agriculture and Natural Resources program area held its annual retreat June 5th to 7th at Deer Creek State Park. We had excellent participation at all levels. Dean Kress and Director Rennekamp both joined us at different times. On June 7th, we toured the Ohio Department of Agriculture to meet new staff, hear updates, and learn more about the work that they do and how it intersects with The Ohio State University.

- **NACDEP** – Meghan Thoreau reported they recently returned from national conference in Ashville, NC. Fifteen members attended. They had three national winners:
  o Brooke Beam –
  o Meghan Thoreau –
  o Becky Nesbit – Distinguished Service Award

- **NAE4HA** – Laura Rohlf reported they are trying to gather a list of who was accepted as a conference presenter for the November conference at The Greenbrier. The list of award winners is not yet out.

- **NEAFCS** – Candace Heer reported the NEAFCS Annual Session is September 30 – October 3, 2019 in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Ohio won six national awards and seven regional awards to be handed out at the NEAFCS Annual Session. Award winners along with presenters will receive scholarship money towards registration.

- **NAEPSDP** – no report

- **TERSSA** – Adam Ziadeh stated the annual conference will be in November, hosted by Mississippi State. The exact date is not finalized, and they should have more information after July 15. They wanted to thank the JCEP board for the email vote after the last meeting for the approval of funds for the Ohio Support Staff Conference held at the 4-H Center. There were some great sessions offered during the conference. The next CES meeting is September 10th.

**Old Business**

**Policy Committee**

  Lisa plans to send an email to seek interest from JCEP members in joining this committee.

**OSU Extension Annual Conference Meeting Dates**

  There is not an update. The exact dates and the location are not yet determined. The meeting will be two days of the three days in December on hold, which are December 16-18.
New Business

There were no items of new business.

Other Items

Meghan Thoreau brought up a brief discussion on scholarships and helping fund those attending national conferences. Historically, Extension administration provided $300 per presentation to help those attending a national conference. Those funds are no longer offered. Melinda stated ESP offers a discount on conference fees to presenters. Meghan, who chairs the scholarship sub-committee, stated that scholarship funds could be used to help pay with conference fees, but the current rubric takes points off for using the funds in this way. Several members of the board suggested that points should not be taken off for attending these conferences. Meghan will take this feedback to her sub-committee for discussion.

Announcements

Lisa reminded us that next year is the University’s sesquicentennial.

Upcoming Events

Meeting dates:
  - August 19 – Board Meeting via Zoom (10 AM to 12:00 noon)
  - October 21 – Board and Committees at 4-H Center Auditorium (Committees 10-12, Dialogue 1-2; Meeting 2-4)

Adjournment – Emily Marrison moved to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:
Laryssa Hook
Ohio JCEP Secretary