



Family and Consumer Sciences Division  
Business Meeting  
December 1, 2020

**Agenda**

6:00 pm Call to Order

Carol Werhan, IN

Welcome and Introductions – introductions were shared in chat with name and unified associate division. Virtual meeting housekeeping guidelines were shared by Vice President Werhan.

Lauren Lessels, ACTE shared virtual guidelines for voting. Only members of the FCS Division will be able to vote during the virtual business meeting. Non-members will be separated during voting. Committee reports do not require a second before moving to vote. Zoom poll feature will be utilized for voting when the vote is called. ACTE staff will share the results of the vote with those attending the business meeting. There are no non-members in attendance at the business meeting.

Recording Secretary

Kristin Vest, NE

Approval of Agenda

The motion was made by Peggy Wild and seconded by Janine Duncan to approve the agenda as presented.

Approval of 2019 Minutes

The motion was made by Karen Mason and seconded by Daisy Cartwright to approve the minutes as presented.

Division VP Report

Carol Werhan, IN

- Carol's report included service to FCCLA Board of Directors and Chair of the Alliance Coalition for FCS throughout the year. The ACTE Division of FCS will become a Gold level sponsor of the Coalition with support for the field of FCS through influence to Advance CTE. Carol reminded the group that membership is power. We need to encourage advocacy and membership for FCS policy and law making through our membership in ACTE. The FCS division will be funding a fellowship for a newer FCS professional in 2022. Membership in FCS Division includes 2,658 members. 128 FCS Division members registered for Virtual VISION 2020. In 2019, over 300 FCS professionals attended VISION. All members in attendance

were encouraged to promote FCS and CTE by becoming members of ACTE as secondary educators, teacher educators and FCS State Administrators. The unified associates can provide a powerful, encouraging home for FCS educators.

The Financial report included the following:

- FY \$6,184 FY20
- Designated Funds \$32,240
- Temporarily Restricted Funds for Graduate Fellowships
  - o Principal - \$120,768.25 (money from Honor Roll and interest for graduate fellowships)
  - o Interest - \$48,998.73

Lastly, the FCS Division is well represented with the revision of the ACTE logo featuring the blue FCS logo to better reflect the people centered sciences instead of the red house.

Legislative Update                      Alisha Hyslop, Sr. Director of Public Policy at ACTE

- Alisha was able to connect with the Division to share the three main legislative priorities for ACTE. The post-election transition in looking to the new Congress. Outreach to Biden administration. Nominees to Education posts will be contacted and weighing in. 50 new members of Congress shared with priorities and CTE with federal policy components. Significant changes on the Education committee on the Senate. COVID response to individuals, schools and businesses continues to be the focus.

Unified Associates Reports

NATFCS

Sharon Collins, KY

- Best Practice sessions and virtual networking, prizes and engagement will be shared throughout Virtual VISION conference in the virtual FCS Information Center. Thanks to NATFCS for all the coordination and opportunities for engagement.

LeadFCS Education

Alyson McIntyre-Reiger, IN

- Alyson shared the focuses of LEAD FCS Education is to provide leadership, education, advocate and development of FCS educators. Developing guidelines for the safe reopening of FCS programs due to COVID was published on the new website and shared during several webinars. Professional development for FCS educators and the curation online teaching resources have been ongoing.

NATEFACS

Nancy Sheperd, TX

- FCS teacher educator competencies were updated and shared among the group. Implementation strategies for preparing future teachers for virtual or hybrid teaching continues to be developed.

#### Committee Reports

Division Awards Natalie Hancock, UT  
 - One outstanding winner will be recognized during the Virtual Awards celebration.

Graduate Fellowships Amanda Holland, KY  
 - The deadline for fellowships was extended to increase participation. Wonderful applications were submitted this year. Applicants will have to submit progress toward graduation in future applications.

Bylaws Robert VanDyke, NC  
 - No bylaw changes to be presented.

Nominating Katy Blatnick-Gagne, IA  
 - Virtual platforms have created opportunities to learn about the candidates and vote.

#### FCS Up Dates

Coalition for Family & Consumer Sci. Ed Peggy Wild  
 - The Coalition has recorded a session for VISION focusing on advocating and promoting your FCS program. Excellent strategies for development and connecting with stakeholders will be shared.

Recruit, Prepare, Retain Grant Jan Bower  
 - Updates regarding the grant were shared in a Best Practice session for FCS educators. Engagement strategies in planning for FCS Educator Day in February during FCCLA Week. The [www.fcsed.net](http://www.fcsed.net) website continues to serve as a hub for information and resources.

AAFCS Lori Myers  
 - Current search is underway for a new Executive Director. FCS Day and celebration with a cakes and quilts presentation on December 3. Ongoing professional development webinars to support the FCS field throughout the year.

Int'l Federation of Home Economics Janine Duncan  
 - World Congress has been rescheduled in Atlanta in September of 2022. Moving the conference to September provides an opportunity for FCS educators near Atlanta to bring their students for a day of learning during a Pre-Congress session.

#### New Business/Action Items

Carol Werhan, IN  
 - Reminder of the sessions and schedule for conference. Outstanding Opening Session Speaker featuring a Nashville Registered Dietitian (and Carol's cousin)!

ACTE President-Elect Candidates

- Both candidates submitted recorded greetings and their speech. Voting is open via email ballot.

Business Meeting Adjournment

Carol Werhan, IN

- Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Kristin Vest, Recording Secretary*