

**FCS Policy Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Thursday, November 18, 2021  
6:00 Central Time

6:00 pm

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Carol Werhan, IN

Welcome and Introductions

Carol Werhan, Steve DeWitt, Rachel Gonzalez, Amanda Holland, Natalie Hancock, Nicole Graves, Rob VanDyke, Lisa

Approval of Agenda

*Moved by Nicole Graves to accept the agenda, second by Natalie Hancock. Motion carries.*

Approval of Minutes

*Moved by Rob VanDyke to accept the minutes, second by Amanda Holland. Motion carries.*

Appointment of Secretary for minutes

Katy Blatnick-Gagne volunteered to take minutes

Vice President Report

Carol highlighted a variety of items from her VP report

Division Business & Finances

- Operating budget \$6,132 (use it or lose it) based on who attended Vision the year before
- FCS designated funds: \$34k
- Temp Restricted Assets- donations, role of honor- spend the interest on fellowships and scholarships
- Current numbers for Vision 2020 attendees are 172 FCS registrants, 142 will be in person in NOLA

**Division Committee Report Follow-up**

Graduate Fellowship

Amanda Holland, KY

- Only had 5 applicants. 2 at the masters program- 1 has not started school, 1 is not an ACTE member. 3 doctoral are from TTU.
- Our bylaws do say that applicants need to be a member of ACTE. Could we reach out to mention that they should become members?
- An earlier due date could be August to allow for recipients to attend ACTE.
- How do we get a broader applicant pool? Does the wording shy people away—Doctorate in\_\_\_\_\_.
- There are a few educational sub-committees that will be working on ways to advertise, etc. for the scholarships.
- The committee will decide what amounts to give to the candidates.
- Do we need to broaden the definition of minority status?

## Awards

Natalie Hancock, UT

- We have received nominations. There will be 4 awards given this year.
- Two people will be via Zoom and they have had their plaques mailed to them.
- People are more acquainted with the Google Form.
- Natalie took the lead on getting the slide presentation put together for the FCS awards session.

## Nominating...Elections

Rachel Gonzalez, UT

- Sent out several e-blast starting in January requesting that people ran for office.
- Katy Blatnick-Gagne will begin her term as the new ACTE FCS Division Vice President July 22, 2022 serving for three years. She was the only applicant and the policies state that the only candidate is appointed by ACTE.
- We want to continue to get our ACTE members involved and encourage members to run for office.

## Convention Review

Division Business Meeting  
Monday, Nov 22, 6:00 central

First Timer Breakfast  
Thursday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 a.m. Central

Division Opening Session  
Thursday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 Central

FCS Hospitality Room  
Friday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Convention Center 1-3:00 central

Division Award Celebration  
Friday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Hilton Riverside, 5:00 central

## Affiliate Presidents' Reports Follow-up

LeadFCS Ed

Rob Van Dyke, NC

- Busy with a lot of state administrative tasks.
- Conference was in June in conjunction with FCCLA.
- Top pieces are merging with NATEFACS and working on national standards.

NATEFACS

Nicole Graves, SD

- Competencies for teacher education standards were completed.
- Focus on revitalizing the FCS Journal.
- MOU agreement was signed to work toward merging with Lead FCS and a motion passed at their business meeting on November 17, 2021.

NATFCS

Lisa Costa, ID

- Low turn out with applications for scholarships.
- Working as a team to do Zooms getting ready for Vision.
- There are 24 people presenting at the best-practices round.
- Continuing to look at changing the name of the affiliate to help better guide members.

### **ACTE Committee Reports Follow-up**

Bylaws

Rob Van Dyke, NC

- There were no bylaw committee work with ACTE this year.

Nominating

Katy Blatnick-Gagne, IA

- Due to being nominated for the FCS VP position, Katy was not on the nomination committee this year. We will need a new nominations chair for this upcoming year.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDS**

6:50 pm

#### **EX-Officio Committee Reports**

AAFCS/FCS Alliance

Lori Myers

- Dec. 3 is FCS Day- please encourage people to participate in the activities. AAFCS has new resources, check out the flyer in the AAFCS report.
- The FCS Alliance had their first meeting and looking to set priorities and goals for that group.

FCS Ed Coalition

Peggy Wild

- No in-person report.

FCCLA

Sandy Spavone

- Having a fantastic year. Focus is recovery of memberships that were lost due to Covid, etc. Back at the level FCCLA was at prior to the pandemic.
- Statewide memberships and Urban memberships are going well.
- Just finished the Capitol Leadership (400) and National Fall Leadership (700).
- Chapter Adviser meeting along with SAMM and Lead FCS will be in January 2022.
- FCCLA did go “viral” this week based on a chapter giving out gift cards to the grocery store ([TikTok](#)).

National Grant Activity

Jan Bowers

- The PSA videos are now available and are on the website. Working with FCCLA to get additional podcasts.

FCSEA

Jan Bowers

- Have not collected dues for the past four years. Gayla is working on the website. They are taking on more of a management role for the grant as opposed to working on monographs.

ACTE

Steve DeWitt

- In person and virtual is around 3,300 with 500 being virtual.
- ACTE is launching a series of activities like a blog series, webinar series, etc.
- Series of webinars on innovation, inclusion access, and the postsecondary piece.
- ACTE is going to launch new courses aligned with the High Quality CTE Framework.

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### **Program of Work Conversation**

What may we want to tackle as a division or as a unified affiliate?

- Making sure we stay in connection with the work that is going on with the career clusters model
- Program advocacy
- Teacher recruitment and retention
- Increase awareness and participation in our fellowship/scholarship programs
- Recruiting younger teachers to be part of our organization and be leaders in the organization
- Renewed focus on research and partnering together
- Looping in our FCS family so that we know what others are doing or promoting
  - Is there a way to share out the Alliance reports?
- Getting FCS students in a Zoom- joining in with national leaders in FCS (FCCLA, etc.) (Sandy mentioned with Carol)

7:30 pm

### **Adjournment**

Filed by Katy Blatnick-Gagne