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

EXECUTIVE SESSION
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 loose 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. 2nd 7:00 a.m. Central

Division Opening Session
Thursday, Dec. 2nd 11:00 Central

FCS Hospitality Room
Friday, Dec 3rd Convention Center 1-3:00 central

Division Award Celebration
Friday, Dec. 3rd 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

- 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

• 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
  o 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