

**Minutes for the Ohio Council on Family Relations Summer Meeting  
All Saints Lutheran Church  
Worthington, OH  
Monday June 11, 2012  
10:30am-2:15 pm**

In attendance: Carmen Irving, Joan Jurich, Ruben Viramontez Anguiano, and Maureen Blankemeyer

1. President Ruben Viramontez Anguiano welcomed members and introductions were made.
2. Outgoing President Maureen Blankemeyer noted the progress made by the group in the three years since becoming reactivated: creation of a web site and email account, recognition of outstanding Ohio NCFR presentations w/ \$200 travel awards, the silent auction basket, etc. Maureen encouraged the group to make it a priority to fill the empty positions on the Board, recruit students into the organization with the hopes of funneling them to NCFR, and keep them as members long after they graduate.
3. Maureen moved to approve the minutes and Carmen seconded the motion. Since there wasn't a quorum present, a vote will need to go out to the Officers/Board via email.
4. Audrey Kraynak, Secretary/Treasurer submitted the financial report via Maureen, who shared the report with the group. The balance to date is \$5542.95.
5. Carmen audited the books and initialed/dated the checkbook documenting the audit.
6. In the fall, we will begin to draft a strategic plan. The group discussed a few starting points:
  - a. Increase recruitment of undergraduates, graduate students, scholars, and practitioners
  - b. Eventually support our own conference
7. Discussion about NCFR 2012 Affiliates Workshop: Carmen, Joan, and Maureen will attend. Each will need to leave at some point during the workshop for their presentations, so it will be helpful to have more than one representative in attendance.)
8. Website: Maureen will transition Ruben to administer the website.
9. Discussion about 2013 Conference: Ruben would like faculty Board Members to encourage their students to attend our co-sponsored conference.

Maureen moved to have us look into co-sponsoring the Ohio Association of Family and Consumer Sciences 2013 annual conference. Joan seconded. Discussion at a prior meeting indicated the preference to co-sponsor with various organizations, rather than the same organization each year, in order to broaden the range of topics and better meet the needs of all of our members. Since there wasn't a quorum present, a vote will need to go out to the Officers/Board via email.

10. Awards & Honors: Joan moved to have the Outstanding Ohio NCFR Presentation Award recipients present their work at our state co-sponsored conference. Maureen seconded the motion. We would indicate this stipulation in the call for proposals. The award recipients would be recognized at the state conference. Award recipients (regardless of whether their NCFR presentation is a poster or paper) would be asked to present their work as a paper presentation during our OHCFR-sponsored session at the conference.

Joan made a motion that undergraduate and graduate students be required to be listed as either first or sole author. Maureen seconded. No quorum; need votes by the Officers/Board via email.

Carmen moved to acknowledge innovative practices in the state with a yearly \$200 Impact Award. Maureen seconded the motion. Carmen agreed to write a brief description of the proposed award. The award recipient would present their work at our co-sponsored conference. No quorum present; need Officer/Board votes via email.

11. Other business

- a. Future meetings: Ruben suggested that for future meetings we use conference calling, skype, and/or rotate the meetings among board members' locations.
  - i. Fall 2012 meeting will be in-person at the end of the semester
  - ii. Spring 2013 meeting will be a conference call
  - iii. Summer 2013 meeting in Athens since we have never had a meeting there (or at least not recently). We may have a local guest speaker at this meeting. Ruben suggested that we could schedule the meeting on a Friday and incorporate a zipline weekend for those who are interested!
- b. The group discussed plans to fill empty positions: Pres Elect, 2 Board Members, New Professional. Maureen will check with Meghan Lee to see if she'd like to step down from the Student Representative position.
- c. Maureen suggested that we need to have a more impactful way to welcome new OHCFR members who are not NCFR members. Some suggestions, in addition to the letter of welcome:
  - i. Send them NCFR literature and the magnetic NCFR picture frame
  - ii. Joan suggested getting a profile from each new member (e.g., job, expertise, area of interest). We will then use that information to send out an e-newsletter in which we spotlight a member/student. We'll also invite them to write a position paper for the newsletter. We could then archive the newsletters on our website. We will revisit this during our strategic planning meeting.

12. Ruben adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Maureen Blankemeyer, Past President