**OATFACS Business Meeting Minutes**

**August 3, 2015**

**Tulsa, Oklahoma**

**12:30 pm-1:30 pm**

Roll: Brooke Kusch, Keri Laxton, LeElla Lee, Karin Davis, Laura Head, Nicole henry, Deana Mauck, Susan Wyant, and Jeanine Thompson.

1. 12:29 Meeting was called to order by Brooke Kusch.

Brooke welcomed everyone to the OATFACS Business Meeting and introduced guest Becki Foster, Associate State Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

1. Becki gave updates from Oklahoma Career Tech. She encouraged the group to keep up the great work we are doing. She challenged us to continue making an impact on Oklahoma education.
2. Minutes-Keri Laxton explained that minutes were sent out to members prior to the meeting. There were no changes to the minutes. The minutes stand as read.
3. New Business-Karin Davis and Brooke Kusch gave an explanation of what NATFACS and OATFACS were and benefits of membership.
   1. They explained the breakdown of the cost of dues and the importance of being a member of our professional organization.
   2. Survey Monkey Results- Brooke stated that through Survey Monkey members were asked a series of questions. Members felt like they were kept informed, there were suggestions of how to make Celebration of Teaching better; overall everyone enjoyed the breakfast and lunch organized by OATFACS for FACS teachers.
4. Tracy Boyington, CIMC, gave instructions for the teacher materials through the Moodle site and ctYou.org. CIMC Division updates about FACS Basics changes and updates were made for the 2015-16 school year.

1. Committee Reports-

Awards-Karin Davis thanked her committee members, announced the OK nominees for NATFACS awards and the OATFCS nominees for OKACTE awards.

Nominating-Brooke Kusch thanked committee members for helping her this year.

Membership-Laura Head thanked the membership committee members; overall membership increased from previous year.

Scholarship-Nicole Henry thanked committee members for helping with applicant selection. OATFACS is awarding two scholarships this year.

Public Information- Keri Laxton thanked teachers for being on her committee. She thanked teachers for signing up for the curriculum showcase and reminded teachers to attend during teacher breakout sessions the next conference day at Tulsa Technology Center, Owasso campus.

V. OkACTE Committee Reports-

A. Awards-Susan Wyant brought greetings from Oklahoma ACTE. She challenged the group to stay active and connected. She spoke on ongoing positive attitude, teaching styles of the Family and Consumer Science Teachers, and how we benefit our student populations within our individual schools. She also encouraged teachers to apply for awards or nominate individuals that are teaching and doing fabulous things in their classrooms and communities.

B. Mutual Benefit-Jeanine Thompson encouraged all of the FACS Teachers that were members to join the benefit plan. She explained the mutual plan death benefit for members and spouses. New teachers have the opportunity to sign up within the first 3 years of membership.

C. Political Action-Yvonda Sieber explained PAC which helps to provide money to candidates who support CareerTech issues.

D. CTAC- Kim Cupps spoke to the group about CTAC and brought greetings from the Career Technology Administrative Counsel. She encouraged teachers to join ACTE.

VI. Unfinished Business

1. Opportunity Fund Report was given by Brooke Kusch.
2. OATFACS t-shirt Fundraiser was displayed to teachers by LeElla Lee. Teachers can fill out order forms in their region meetings and t-shirts will be delivered at LEAD officer training.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm by Brooke Kusch, President.