



Lincoln County Family and Community Education (FCE) Clubs June, 2016, Council Meeting

The Lincoln County fce Council met at 9:30 a.m. on June 14, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Bonnie Pond. Carlee Cowan, Lincoln County's June Dairy Month Chairperson, and her sisters, who are also active 4-Hers, gave a presentation on June Dairy Month which included a dairy recipe demonstration; everyone present got to sample a yogurt parfait topped with either fresh blueberries or strawberries. Lil Galvin gave the devotional from the book, Jesus Calling. Vicki Ellison led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and Margaret Ellis led the group in reading the Club Creed aloud.

Carolyn Slayton gave the treasurer's report stating that the council has \$3,104.37 in available funds. The minutes from the April, 2016, meeting were approved as mailed.

Roll call was as follows: Boonshill fce Club – 3, Dellrose Hotrock fce Club – 2, Flintville fce Club – 0, McBurg fce Club – 3, Mimosa fce Club – 2 and Molino fce Club – 3, for a total of 13 FCE Club members present at the council meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

2016 Dairy Day on the Square – Bonnie Pond gave a brief report on the *Dairy Day on the Square*, which was held June 4. This year, the Lincoln County FCE set up an exhibit across from The Tigress and handed out brochures telling about the county's FCE program, as well as, free homemade cookies and water. There was a tremendous turn-out from FCE members who provided the cookies. Unfortunately, the event was rained out about 10:30 a.m.

4-H Scholarships – Ethel Bonner gave a brief report on the 4-H junior camp scholarships. This year, there were more scholarship applications than ever before. Because of this, Mr. Owen took the \$600 that the council donated and gave four \$150 scholarships (1/2 of the \$300 camp fee). Because of the larger number of applications turned in and the lower amount of scholarship monies donated, several 4-Hers did not receive any scholarship money and were unable to attend camp this year.

TAFCE Central Region Leadership Retreat – Carolyn Slayton gave a report on the Central Region Leadership Retreat held in May. Several of the members at the meeting talked about the different craft classes they had attended. Everyone that went really enjoyed the day.

Imagination Library of Lincoln County – The Lincoln County FCE Council has been supporting the Imagination Library of Lincoln County for the past several years. A motion was made and carried that we present them with a check for \$180.

NEW BUSINESS

Summer Feeding Program – Ethel Bonner gave us a brief report on the Summer Feeding Program that has been started in the county. Healthy lunches and afternoon snacks are being served free of cost to any child under the age of at the following sites:

- ◆ Ninth Grade Academy (Breakfast 7:45-8:45 and Lunch 11:15-12:15)
- ◆ Flintville School (Breakfast 8:00-9:00 and Lunch 11:15-12:15)
- ◆ South Lincoln Elementary (Breakfast and Lunch)
- ◆ Highland Rim School (Breakfast and Lunch)
- ◆ Blanche (Breakfast and Lunch)
- ◆ Fayetteville-Lincoln County Public Library (Lunch and Snack, between 11:00-1:00)
- ◆ The Eastgate Community will be serving Lunch and an afternoon snack via a mobile site
- ◆ Federal Housing Authority Offices at the corner of Calhoun and Maple Street (Lunch 11:15-12:15, Snack 1:00-1:30)
- ◆ The Flintville Area will also have a mobile feeding site (more details to come)
- ◆ Corder's Crossroads church of Christ will be serving Lunch at 11:15

Volunteers are needed to help serve the kids and to provide entertainment. Please contact Ethel Bonner at the Lincoln County Extension Office at 433-1582 if you or your club would like to participate in the Summer Feeding Program.

Lincoln County Cultural Arts & Fashion Revue – The Lincoln County Cultural Arts and Fashion Revue will be held Friday, August 5, in the Ralph Hastings Building auditorium. Committee members will be there at 7:30 a.m. to set up for the event and to register items belonging to anyone who needs to drop off their entries on their way to work; all items must be entered by 10:00 a.m. Remember, first and second place winners in each of the categories will be eligible for the regional competition in September. NOTE: This year, we will be adding categories for items that do not fit into the existing ones. Items that are entered in the “county only” categories cannot be entered in the regional competition; but, they may be entered in the Creative Living Building at the Lincoln County Fair. All FCE Club members are encouraged to participate in the Cultural Arts and Fashion Revue competitions. A list of the Cultural Arts Rules and Categories, as well as, the TAFCE Fashion Revue Categories, Guidelines and Personal Data Sheet are attached for your convenience.

Creative Living Building at the Lincoln County Fair – The Lincoln County Fair is right around the corner. The fair will be held September 10th thru September 17th. To get ready for this year’s event the Lincoln County Fair Board is updating its catalog. Ruthie Jeans, the Creative Living Building Superintendent, would like to hear from you if you would like your name listed in this year’s fair book or if you have any suggestions for changes to the Creative Living procedures or categories. She is also looking for volunteers to take entries, as well as, to sit with the exhibits during the week of the fair. You may contact her by e-mailing her at ruthie.jeans@teledyne.com or by calling her at (931) 937-8376 or (931) 993-8498.

Activities and Events Committee Report – Recently the FCE Activities and Events Committee met and had a brainstorming session to come up with ideas for future FCE activities and events. A copy of the list that the committee discussed is attached with the minutes for everyone to read. Please take time to look over the list and, if you have any more ideas or suggestions, you may give them to Ethel Bonner, the county's UT Extension FCS Agent, in July when she meets with your club. Also, at your July club meeting, she will be asking each person to select their top three picks from each category (classes, fundraisers, trips/tour/events and other suggestions); the committee will then meet again and, based on the results, they will make plans for the 2017 FCE Club year.

FCE Council Officer Elections – The election of the Lincoln County FCE Council Officers is held in even years, making 2016 an election year! According to the Lincoln County FCE By-Laws, nominations are to be made by a nominating committee; Liz Mullins agreed to chair that committee. Since the quarterly meetings have been changed to bi-monthly meetings, the ballot of officers will be presented by the committee for vote at the August FCE Council meeting and additional nominations may be made from the floor at that time. Therefore, it's time to think about potential nominees, either from your local club or from another club, that you feel would make great FCE County Council Officers. Please contact Liz at (931) 732-5450 if you have someone that you would like to see nominated or if you would be willing to serve a two-year term as an FCE Council officer. Don't forget to attend the August 9th meeting to cast your vote for each of the six offices, President, Vice-President for Programs, Vice-President for Public Policy, Secretary, Treasurer and Reporter.

Revision of FCE Council By-Laws – Those present discussed changing the by-laws to reflect the change of our council meetings from quarterly to bi-monthly. The group decided to table the discussion until the August meeting.

August County Council Meeting – Please remember that the next regularly scheduled bi-monthly meeting of the Lincoln County fce Council will be Tuesday, August 9, at 9:30 a.m. in the Ralph Hastings Building.

Respectfully submitted,

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