

National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Washington State Affiliate

WEAFCS COMMITTEE RESTRUCTURING

To follow the NEAFCS structure, four State Committee Chair positions have been established. Our current national and state committees are listed as sub-committees under an appropriate Committee Chair. Each of these sub-committees needs a chair and members. A member who agrees to be a State Committee Chair is also welcome to assume the responsibilities of any sub-committee chair or a committee member.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS CHAIRMAN

- Liaison with NEAFCS Vice President for Public Affairs; receive and answer correspondence; disseminate information to appropriate state committee person and/or members.

Sub-Committees

Public Policy Issues: Inform members of public policy and legislative action that affects the quality of life for families. Coordinate or provide training on the legislative process or issues as appropriate. Encourage members to apply for the Public Policy Education Award.

Networking and Coalition Building: Provide a communication link for immediate information delivery and/or action in each district. Investigate coalition building within our state that will promote our mission.

Minority Network/Equal Employment Opportunity: Work to monitor and assure equality for minority members and a better understanding of minority cultures. Encourage applications for Diversity Award.

AAFCS Representative: Promote WEAFCs members' programs and awards in the Washington Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Newsletter. Represent WEAFCs on the MFCS Board.

Auditing: Annually audit treasurer's records and make procedure recommendations as appropriate.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHAIRMAN

- Liaison with NEAFCS Vice President for Professional Development; receive and answer correspondence; disseminate information to appropriate state committee person and/or members.

Sub-Committees

Professional Improvement: Encourage members to apply for professional improvement awards at state and national levels. Inform members of professional improvement Opportunities. Submit PDU application for Extension faculty sponsored activities. Encourage eligible members to apply for fellowships, program awards, special awards, and the Kathy Lundgren scholarship.

Research and Studies: Encourage members to conduct local studies and submit for publication and awards. Disseminate research/study information pertinent to members.

Arrangements: Assist Vice President with arrangements for the Annual Meeting. Assist with other association functions as needed.

MEMBER RESOURCES CHAIRMAN

- Liaison with NEAFCS Vice President for Member Resources; receive and answer correspondence; disseminate information to appropriate state committee person and/or members.

Sub-Committees

Membership: Encourage Extension home economists and faculty in related fields to become members of WEAFCs and NEAFCS. Promote honorary membership for retiring members or former members no longer eligible for active membership.

Newsletter Editor: Coordinate information, print, and mail newsletter as the communication link for members throughout the state, including honorary members.

Nominating: Recruit nominees for offices according to bylaws and conduct elections annually.

Retirement: Recognize retiring members. Keep members informed of retirement issues. Encourage retirees to apply for honorary membership.

Historian: Revise and update WEAFCs handbook as needed. Provide handbook to new members. Maintain permanent record of WEAFCs.

Finance: Guide budget development process. Chair all income producing projects.

Bylaws and Parliamentary Procedures: Recommend bylaw revisions to membership. Chairs serves as parliamentarian at business meetings.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION CHAIRMAN

- Liaison with NEAFCS Vice President for Public Affairs; receive and answer correspondence; disseminate information to appropriate state committee person and/or members.

Sub-Committees

Distinguished Service, Florence Hall and Paraprofessional: Encourage eligible members to submit applications for professional recognition for Extension Home Economist of the Year, DSA, Florence Hall, Continued Excellence, New Professional, and Paraprofessional Award.

Public Relations: Encourage and recognize excellence in communications and media work by members at state and national levels. Promote WEAFCs within the field of home economics.