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## Notes From Dorene

“FCE: Making A Difference!” After a whirlwind tour of all five areas, “Making A Difference” has proven to be the correct theme for 2018. What a pleasure to renew acquaintances, make new friends, and put even more names to faces. I will miss the spring “season” of meetings the most!

The Board met for the regular March Meeting and also the June Meeting, both in Wichita. The meetings were intense work sessions dealing with many decisions and work on Handbook revision, resulting in recommendations from the Board for eleven more bylaws, which are published in this July issue of the “News.” Please read and study them carefully. These recommendations will be voted on at the 2018 KAFCE Conference Annual Business Meeting in Russell on October 2nd. **Conference attendees who are voting members need to bring this “KAFCE News” July issue to the Business Meeting, because no other copies of the proposed changes will be issued.**

Another important event at the Business Meeting will be the election of a KAFCE President, a Vice President, and a Treasurer. There is presently one applicant for each of these positions. Your “introduction” to each of these women is included in an article in this issue. Be sure to “be introduced!”

I have stated more than once in my travels around the State, that FCE is one of my passions. Naturally, then, my priorities for volunteer work center around opportunities that FCE offers at all levels. Strengthened by our unity, we can promote a better way of life for all families and communities and make the world a better place in which to live. These opportunities include continuing education, community projects and programs, leadership training, and, not to be minimized, friendship and fellowship. Other opportunities present themselves through other organizations with which KAFCE is affiliated: K-State Research and Extension, Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), Country Women’s Council (CWC), and the Josephson Institute of Ethics and **CHARACTER COUNTS!** Coalition. These organizations are listed and enumerated on Page 2 of the KAFCE Handbook. Check it out!

My challenge to each of you and your respective units, is to review, out of all these available opportunities, **“What Are Your Shared Passions and Interests?”** When you decide, **GO FOR IT! Do what it takes to apply this passion, amidst unity and friendship, to activate community projects, apply leadership training, assist continuing education. In the end, a better way of life for families and communities is achieved.** In other words, it is always a good thing to ask ourselves, **“What is it that we are about?”** For the rest of 2018, how can we use or add to the existing programming to activate our Community Education? When the 2019 programs are revealed, I challenge you to evaluate your passions and mission and look to a fruitful, fantastic 2019!

Plan to attend the 2018 KAFCE Annual Conference in Russell, KS, on October 1-3. It will most assuredly be an educational, relaxing, and fun time! If you have never been to a Conference before, be sure to fill out and return the First Timer Scholarship Application Form in this July Issue. Five Scholarships will be issued!

Can’t wait to see you there!

**OFFICIAL CALL \* OFFICIAL CALL**  
For the Annual  
Kansas FCE Business Meeting  
Tuesday, October 2, 2018  
At 1:00 pm  
Fossil Creek Hotel and Suites  
Russell, Ks.

*This meeting is for the purpose of electing officers, receiving reports and transacting other business as may properly come before it. Since the KAFCE NEWS goes to every member, all Kansas FCE members as well as County Council Presidents should consider themselves duly notified.*

**OFFICIAL CALL \* OFFICIAL CALL**

## \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$'s Report

KAFCE gained another NEW member this week. Think of all the positive things you have gained by being a member of such a GREAT organization and tell everyone so as to gain new members.

Membership forms will be in the August e-mailing or by mail. Tips for filling out the forms:

- Fill out all areas that apply to you
- Each member must sign the form
- Use black ink
- Print so it is readable
- County treasurers double check the math and check to see that all areas are filled out.

Forms and dues can be given to me at state conference in Russell instead of mailing them. Remember a new member can send in dues and form any time through the year. Also, contributions can be paid any time of the year.

The forms and dues are to be to state treasurer by November 1st. A late fee of \$1.50 per member is due if forms and dues arrive after November 1st.

DeLores Walden, KAFCE Treasurer

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### **KAFCE and Joann Newby Scholarships Awarded**

At the June 5th Board Meeting, one KAFCE Scholarship of \$500 was awarded and one Joann Newby Adult Education Grant of \$500 was awarded. The Board would like to introduce Kansas FCE Members to those who have benefited from your generosity.

**KAFCE Scholarship:** Madeline Draper, Holton, KS, has completed two years of college and is enrolled at Washburn University for the 2018 fall semester, pursuing a degree in Health Services Administration, becoming a Physical Therapist Assistant, then on to become a Physical Therapist. Madeline prepared herself early by attending the Washburn Institute of Technology while in high school, earning her CNA certification. She also worked at the Kansas Rehabilitation Hospital alongside Physical Therapists and gained interest in becoming a Physical Therapist.

**Joann Newby Grant:** Mary Daniels of Savonburg, KS, is the primary wage earner for the family. She has three children and returned to school to earn a degree to allow her to better support her family. Mary is attending Fort Hays State University, to earn a Bachelor of General Education Degree, coupled with a dual degree concentration in Health Promotion & Gerontology. Mary's career goal is to become an Extension Agent to promote health and offer educational opportunities in hometowns.

Congratulations to both of these worthy students!

### **Northwest Area Director Elected**

Dorothy McRae, Ellis County, ends her service as NW Area Director on December 31, 2018. At the April 26th, 2018, Northwest Area Council Meeting, Edith McClain was elected for a three year term as NW Area Director (2019-2021).

Thank you for your valuable and willing service, Dorothy! Congratulations, Edith, and welcome back to familiar FCE territory!

### **2019 FCE State Conference**

**Save the dates: October 7-9, 2019**

Southeast Area will be hosting the 2019 State Conference in Historic Fort Scott, KS, at the Community Christian Church, with lodging at the Sleep Inn.

**The Theme:** "Building on the Future Thru History"

Speakers, Make & Takes, Tours, Educational Sessions, good food, & fellowship!

Co-chairs: Linda Leonard [linda\\_leonard@att.net](mailto:linda_leonard@att.net)  
Sharon Giacometti [sgiacometti@ckt.net](mailto:sgiacometti@ckt.net)

### **Save the Dates!**

Educational Program Committee Training will be August 20 & 21, 2018. We will be meeting at the Webster Conference Center in Salina again this year. We will use the time to share the 2019 FCE lessons. The KSU Agents will be presenting the KSU lessons and the KAFCE lessons will be presented by the State EPC Committee members. Area EPC Members from all five areas will soon be receiving detailed meeting plans and the Registration form, so watch for them in the mail! See you soon! Edith

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO KANSAS ASSOCIATION  
FOR FAMILY & COMMUNITY EDUCATION BYLAWS**

**1. Amendment to Article V- Officers; Section 1- Elected Officers**

Now reads: Elected officers shall be a president, a president-elect when applicable, a vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer who shall be elected by eligible voters at the KAFCE annual meeting. Area directors shall be elected by eligible voters in that area.

**Amend Article V, Section 1- Elected Officers** by striking the word “that” and inserting the words “their respective”. If adopted, the Article will read:

Elected officers shall be a president, a president-elect when applicable, a vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer who shall be elected by eligible voters at the KAFCE annual meeting. Area directors shall be elected by eligible voters in their respective areas.

Rationale: Clarifies the voters of an area director.

**2. Amendment to Article V- Officers, Section 3A – Term of Office**

Now reads: Officers shall assume their duties on January 1 following their election. An elected officer may serve terms in the same office after at least a one-term break.

**Amend Article V, Section 3A- Term of Office** by striking the words, “terms in the same office after at least a one-year break” and inserting “two terms in the same office.”

If adopted, the Article will read:

Officers shall assume their duties on January 1 following their election. An elected officer may serve two terms in the same office.

Rationale: Experienced officers can continue to provide leadership and constancy.

**3. Amendment to Article V- Officers, Section 3F – Term of Office**

Now reads: An area director shall serve a term of three years or until a successor is elected with a maximum of one-year service extension.

**Amend Article V, Section 3F- Term of Office** by striking the words “with a maximum of one-year extension.”

If adopted, the Article will read:

An area director shall serve a term of three years or until a successor is elected.

Rationale: Less restrictive for areas to find a director.

**4. Amendment to Article V- Officers, Section 5D3- Duties of the Officers**

Now reads: (The secretary shall) Keep a record of all KAFCE Handbook changes and provide a list annually to the Board of Directors and to such other persons as may be designated by the president or Board of Directors.

**Amend Article V, Section 5D3-Duties of the Officers** by striking “provide a list annually” and insert “when changes occur, provide a written copy to the president for electronic distribution to the appropriate original KAFCE Handbook recipients, who will replace the corrected page(s) in the Handbook.”

If adopted, the Article will read:

(The secretary shall) Keep a record of all KAFCE Handbook changes and, when changes occur, provide a written copy to the president for electronic distribution to the appropriate original KAFCE Handbook recipients, who will replace the corrected page(s) in the Handbook.

Rationale: Current procedure no longer applicable with new three ring binder hard copy pages updated with an electronic format.

**5. Amendment to Article V– Officers, Section 5E6– Duties of the Officers**

Now reads:

(The treasurer shall) be bonded for a sum approved by the executive committee for the faithful performance of duty.

**Amend Article V-Officers, Section 5E6-Duties of the Officers** by striking the phrase, “a sum approved by the executive committee.” If adopted, the article will read: (The Treasurer shall) be bonded for the faithful performance of duty.

Rationale: KAFCE carries an insurance policy with a bonding company with a pre-determined fee.

**6. Amendment to Article V – Officers, Section 5F2 – Duties of the Officers**

Now reads: (Each area director shall) coordinate area and district meetings within the area including District Recognition Days.

**Amend Article V-Officers, Section 5F2 – Duties of the Officers** by striking the words “and district” and the phrase

“within the area including District Recognition Days”.

If adopted, the Article will read: (Each area director shall) coordinate area meetings.

Rationale: Kansas FCE does not have districts and the timeline for Area Directors spells out their specific duties.

### 7. Amendment to Article VI – Nominations and Elections, Section 1A- Nominations

Now reads: Prior to January 1, each area shall elect one member, and one alternate to serve on the nominating committee. The president shall appoint a former Board member as chairman of the committee. Members of the committee may succeed themselves once.

#### Substitution Amendment Article VI – Nominations and Elections, Section 1A – Nominations

If adopted, the Article will read: Each area shall elect one member, and one alternate to serve on the state nominating committee every year at the spring area council meetings for one term beginning June 1. The president shall appoint a former Board member as chairman of the committee. Members of the committee may succeed themselves once.

Rationale: Clarification of when area representative and alternate to the state nominating committee are selected and time of service.

### 8. Amendment to Article VI- Nominations & Elections, Section 1A2- Nomination

Now reads: The nominating committee shall select at least one nominee for each office with written consent of the nominee to place her/his name on the ballot. The nominee must be present at the annual business meeting. The chairman shall submit the committee report to the spring meeting of the Board of Directors. The committee report shall be published in the "KAFCE NEWS" not less than sixty-days prior to the annual business meeting.

**Substitution Amendment Article VI- Nominations & Elections, Section 1A2- Nominations** If adopted, the Article will read: The nominating committee shall select at least one nominee for each office with written consent of the nominee to place her/his name on the ballot. The chairman shall submit the committee report to the spring meeting of the Board of Directors. The committee report shall be published in the "KAFCE NEWS" at least sixty days prior to the annual business meeting.

Rationale: Each nominee for an office has been approved by the state nominating committee and has given his/her written consent to have name placed on the ballot. Physical presence would not be required.

### 9. Amendment to Article X- Committees, Section 1E- Standing Committees

Now reads: The president shall be an ex officio member of all committees except nominating committee.

**Amend Article X- Committees, Section 1E –Standing Committees** by striking the entire sentence. If adopted the

Article will read:

The statement "E" would be deleted and item "F" would become "E" and item "G" would become "F".

Rationale: Prevents repetition; see Article V, Section 5A3.

### 10. Amendment to Article X- Committees, Section 4A – Other Appointed Positions

Now reads: Appointed positions of KAFCE shall be registrar/historian, parliamentarian, editor, membership list/records, William Allen White Book Selection, tour coordinator and webmaster.

**Amend Article X-Committees, Section 4A- Other Appointed Positions** by striking "tour coordinator" and adding at the end of the sentence "by January 1 of president's term". If adopted, the Article will read:

Appointed positions of KAFCE shall be registrar/historian, parliamentarian, editor, membership list/records, William Allen White Book Selection, and webmaster by January 1 of president's term.

Rationale: Position no longer applicable and clarifies when appointed.

### 11. Amendment to Article X – Committee, Section 4D-Other Appointed Positions

Now Reads: All appointees shall assume their duties following appointment and shall serve a term of three years or until their successors are appointed.

**Amend Article X- Committees, Section 4D- Other Appointed Positions** by striking the phrase, "a term of three years or."

If adopted, the Article will read: Appointees shall assume their duties following appointment and shall serve until their successors are appointed.

Rationale: Clarification of presidential appointments.

**All Amendments proposed by the Kansas FCE Board.**

### Candidates for State Officers

The KAFCE State Nominating Committee, Marlene V. Faul, chair; Peggy Martens-SC, Nancy Kernick-SE, and Pauline Fecht-SW (None from NW or NE) would like to announce and introduce you to the candidates for president, vice president, and treasurer. The election for these positions will be during the business meeting at the State Conference in October in Russell.

One criterion for both president and vice president is that they have served on the State Board. All three candidates have served and, if elected, will begin their terms January 1, 2019. President and Treasurer will be three year terms and vice president two year term because the current vice president will have served four years.

**President: Nancy Kernick**, Southeast Area, from Chanute, has been a member of FCE for 55 years. She joined FCE with the encouragement of her Mother in the same unit. Nancy has served in all offices in her FCE and, since 2010, serves as Neosho County FCE Council President. She is very involved in her community and church, making wonderful contributions. She is an Avon representative, is retired after 31 years as Neosho County Extension Office Professional, and was selected as one of seventeen throughout the State to participate in a Special Leadership Skills Course through KSU. Nancy is returning to the Board, having served as State Treasurer from 2007-2009.

From Nancy, "I am a believer and, as an FCE member, have done much to present the opportunities of the FCE programs in our County and throughout the State. If I am elected President, I promise to continue to do the same during my term of office."

**Vice President: Faye Spencer**, South Central Area, from Salina, served as Vice President 2012-2015. She has been active in FCE for 18 years, serving in many offices in her local FCE, County Council, South Central Area, and State. Faye has been involved with service and education organizations most of her life through wonderful role models of her parents and paternal grandfather. She has retired from her job at the Salina Journal.

**Treasurer: DeLores Walden**, Northeast Area, from Berryton, is currently filling and completing an unexpired term. She was State Treasurer 2001-2003. DeLores has been active in FCE for 45 years fulfilling many offices on the Local, County, Area, and State level. By profession, she was a Registered Nurse but is now retired. During her career, she started a Home Health Program at a retirement center, and was the Home Health Director for 20 years.

### 2018 State Heart of FCE Announced

Geneva Wedel, Moundridge, KS, South Central Area, is 2018 State Heart of FCE. Throughout her 42 years in FCE, Geneva Wedel has exemplified the definition of Heart of FCE by making a difference in her community & the Local, State & National FCE Organizations. She has helped create educational displays for annual county fairs & shares them at other meetings; made reports and display boards for KAFCE & NAFCE Conferences; writes monthly newspaper articles about Unit, State, & National Meetings; gives FCE lessons to Senior Centers & other groups; has written FCE lessons for KAFCE members; helped plan several State Conferences; planned ten bus trips to NAFCE Conferences; sold "Hearth Fires" & FCE products at State Conference sales tables; has served as Area Director & on Area & State Educational Programming Committees. She is truly an inspiration for continued growth of FCE at all levels.

## 2018 KAFCE STATE CONFERENCE FIRST TIMER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The KAFCE Board of Directors believes that attending a State Conference helps build support and enthusiasm for our organization and is offering financial support to 5 first time attendees to the conference. The scholarship will cover only the cost of the Early Bird Registration Fee with all other expenses being the responsibility of the winner.

To apply for this scholarship, you must be a full dues paying member of KAFCE. Complete the questions below and send it along with one letter of recommendation from your FCE or County Council President to Dorene Reimer, 1293 West County Road P, Leoti, KS 67861, no later than September 1, 2018. Independent members may also apply with the recommendation letter from another organization in which they are active.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ FCE Unit Name \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Area \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

On a separate page please answer the following questions:

- 1) Why do you want/need this scholarship?
- 2) What goal do you have for your FCE Unit?
- 3) How do you plan to share the information from State Conference?

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

- Winners will be selected & notified by September 7th, 2018, and will be reimbursed at State Conference for the "early bird" registration fee only.
- Scholarship is for 2018 Conference only and is for those who attend the entire conference.
- This scholarship award is not transferable to another FCE Member or to a future KAFCE Conference.
- Five winners will be chosen with first preference given to one from each area.
- Membership will be verified.

State President will notify winners, conference committee chairperson, and State Treasurer.

State Board reserves the right to choose no winner if the situation arises.

(Revised March, 2017)

## 4th Grade Essay & Artwork Contest State Winner

**Ella Schrag** from Moundridge, KS, Moundridge Elementary School, composed an essay and drew a picture accompanying the essay on CITIZENSHIP, the Pillar of Character emphasized for the 2018 NAFCE 4th Grade Essay and Artwork Contest. In June, the State Board announced that her entry was the Kansas State winner. As McPherson County's first place winner, Ella's essay & artwork was sent to the State President by Geneva Wedel, Moundridge, KS, South Central Area.

Ella has been invited to attend the banquet and to read her essay on Tuesday, October 2nd, at the 2018 KAFCE Conference in Russell. She will be presented a check for \$50.00 from KAFCE.

Ella's essay and artwork was sent on to the National FCE Competition, where it will be judged along with winning entries from other State FCEs. The National winner will be announced and honored at the NAFCE Conference in Austin, TX, July 19-22, 2018.

Other first place County winners: **Yoshua Blanco**, Leoti, KS, Wichita County, SW Area; **Brendan Cook**, Montezuma, KS, Gray County, SW Area; **Broderick Creach**, Paola, KS, Johnson County, NE Area; **Aaron Fassnacht**, Muscotah, KS, Atchison County, NE Area; **Macie Herron**, Pittsburg, KS, Crawford County, SE Area; **Katherine Shea**, Wamego, KS, Pottawatomie County NE Area; **Jacqueline Smoot**, Chanute, KS, Neosho County, SE Area.

Congratulations to each and every one of these young people!

## 2017 KAFCE Award Winners

### County Council Projects: Action

- 1st. Atchison County - NE
- 2nd. Shawnee County - NE
- 3rd Neosho County - SE
- Hon. Ment. - Hodgeman County - SW
- Hon. Ment. - Johnson County - NE

### EDUCATION

- 1st. Allen County - SE
- 2nd. Rooks County - NW
- 3rd. Douglas County - NE

### Accomplishment Reports:

#### Education

- 1st. G.A.L.S. - Allen County - SE
- 2nd. Harmony Homemakers - Johnson County - NE
- 3rd. Rock N' Roll - Neosho County - SE
- Hon. Ment. What's New - Rooks County - NW

#### Action:

- 1st. Hobart Homemakers - Rooks County - NW
- 2nd. Leamona - Neosho County - SE
- 3rd. Hodgeman County - SW
- Hon. Ment. Spring Hill - Johnson County - NE

#### No Leadership winners

### Independent members accomplishment report

- Hon. Ment. Virginia Pringle - Osage County - SE

## 2017 100% Reporting Award Winners

Northwest	Northeast	Southwest	South Central	Southeast
Ellis Co. Rooks Co. Smith Co. Thomas Co.	Atchinson Co. Douglas Co. Nemaha Co. Riley Co. Shawnee Co.	Hodgeman Co. Lane Co. Wichita Co.	Butler Co. Ellsworth Co. Harvey Co. McPherson Co. Saline Co. Sedgwick Co	Bourbon Co. Crawford Co. Labette Co. Montgomery Co Neosho Co.

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### 2018 Calendar of Events

July 19-22 NAFCE Conference  
"Reach for the Stars"  
Austin, TX

#### **FIRST WEEK IN AUGUST**

Check email! August mailing arriving!!

August 20-21 EPC Leadership Training  
Webster Conference Center  
Salina, KS

October 1-2 KAFCE State Board Meeting  
Russell, KS

October 1-3 KAFCE State Conference  
Russell, KS

October 14-20 National FCE Week

November 18-24 National Family Week

### 2018 Area Calendar of Events

#### **Northeast Area**

Council Meeting/Workshop  
November 1, 2018  
Manhattan, KS

#### **Northwest Area**

Council Meeting/Workshop  
Date TBD  
Phillips County hosting

#### **South Central Area**

Council Meeting/Workshop  
October 22, 2018  
Moundridge, KS

#### **Southwest Area**

Council Meeting/Workshop  
Date TBD  
Pawnee County hosting

#### **Southeast Area**

Council Meeting/Fall Learning Day  
November 8, 2018  
Parsons, KS



