



**American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
2006 Annual Conference, Charlotte, North Carolina
Minutes of the Senate
June 24, 2006**

1. Call to Order

The President-elect, presiding officer, called the Senate to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion 1

The Secretary, on behalf of the Board of Directors, moved *that the agenda be approved as revised.*

The motion was carried.

3. Orientation to Parliamentary Procedures

The legal counsel for the association oriented the Senators to parliamentary procedures.

4. Verification of Senators

The Secretary called the roll of affiliates and other groups to verify the number of Senators present. She announced that with 120 Senators present, a majority vote will require 61 affirmative votes to pass a motion and 80 affirmative votes are needed to pass a motion requiring a 2/3 majority vote.

5. Adoption of Standing Rules

The Secretary presented the standing rules of the Senate as distributed.

Motion 2

It was moved and seconded *that the standing rules be adopted as distributed.*

The motion was carried.

6. Ratification of 2005 Senate Minutes

The Secretary asked the Senators to review the 2005 Senate Minutes as distributed. One correction was noted.

Motion 3

The Secretary, on behalf of the Board of Directors, made a motion *to accept the minutes as corrected.*

The motion was carried.

7. Timekeeper

The Vice-President, Affiliates, the official timekeeper for the Senate, explained the timekeeping requirements as stated in the AAFCS Standing Rules.

8. Appointment of Committee to Review 2006 Senate Minutes

The President-elect asked the Vice President, Affiliates to identify the APU members who volunteered to review the 2006 Senate minutes. They are Joanne Cavis (GA), Jennie Paulson (WI), and Laine Renfro Sedillo (NM).

9. AAFCS Accomplishments Report

The Vice President, Planning presented a summary of the AAFCS Accomplishments Report that had been submitted electronically to the Senators prior to the meeting.

10. Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Chair presented a summary of the nominating committee report that was included in the Senate packet and noted that the committee will have a slate of officers for whichever structure is approved by the Senate.

11. Finance and Properties Report

The Vice President, Finance and Properties presented a summary of the finance and properties report that was included in the Senate packet and presented at the Open Forum on June 23, 2006.

New Business

Delay of Dues Increase

Motion 4

On the recommendation of the Board of Directors, it was moved and seconded *that the Senate rescind the previously approved automatic dues increase for the fiscal year 2006-2007.*

The motion was carried.

Transforming AAFCS: New Era of Action – Mission

Motion 5

A motion was made on behalf of the AAFCS Board of Directors, *that the AAFCS Senate approve the mission recommendation for action which revises the AAFCS mission to be the following: the mission of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences is to provide leadership and support to people whose work is to assist individuals, families and communities in making informed decisions about their health, relationships and use of resources to improve their quality of life. Upon passage of this motion, the revised mission statement will be posted for a period of public comment and then presented for a second vote.*

An amendment to the main motion was made and seconded.

Motion 6

to amend the main motion to read “the mission of AAFCS is to provide leadership and support to the people whose work is to assist individuals, families, and communities in making informed decisions about their relationships, use of resources, and health to improve their quality of life.”

The motion to amend was carried.

Discussion on the main motion as amended continued.

Motion 7

It was moved and seconded *that the motion to approve the revised mission of AAFCS be referred to Committee for further study.*

The motion was defeated.

Discussion on the main motion as amended continued.

Motion 8

An amendment was made and *seconded to amend the mission statement “to empower members to support professionals whose work is to assist individuals, families, and communities to improve their quality of life by making informed decisions about their relationships, use of resources and overall wellness.”*

The motion to amend was defeated.

Discussion on the main motion as amended continued.

Motion 9:

An amendment was made and seconded *to modify the mission statement “to provide leadership and support to professionals whose work is to assist individuals, families, and communities in making informed decisions about their well being, relationships, and resources to optimize their quality of life.”*

The motion to amend was carried.

A vote was taken on the amended Motion 5:

That the AAFCS Senate approve the Mission Recommendation for Action which revises the AAFCS mission to be the following: “The mission of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences is to provide leadership and support to professionals whose work is to assist individuals, families, and communities in making informed decisions about their well being, relationships, and resources to optimize their quality of life.” Upon passage of this motion, the revised mission statement will be posted for a period of public comment and then presented for a second vote.

The motion as amended was carried.

Transforming AAFCS: New Era of Action—Governance

Motion 10

On behalf of the AAFCS Board of Directors *it was moved and seconded that the AAFCS Senate approve the Governance Recommendation for Action, including proposed Board Reorganization and Finance Committee Redesign with regard to positions and terms as described in the detail provided and to become effective immediately.*

The motion carried.

Transforming AAFCS: New Era of Action—Membership

Motion 11

It was moved and seconded *on behalf of the AAFCS Board of Directors that the AAFCS Senate approve the Membership Recommendations for Action with proposed membership categories to include active, emeritus, student, organizational, and Ellen H. Richards sustaining as described in the detail provided to be effective May 1, 2007.*

Motion 12

An amendment was made and seconded *that the main motion on membership be amended to substitute the word professional for individual.*

The motion to amend was defeated.

Discussion on the main motion continued.

Motion 13

An amendment was made and seconded *that AAFCS establish an adjunct category for family and consumer sciences and related professionals who are members of other professionally recognized organizations.*

The motion to amend was defeated.

Motion 14

A motion to amend the main motion on membership to delete the member category *Secondary School* was made and seconded.

The motion to amend was carried.

Motion 15

An amendment was made and seconded to amend the amended main motion on membership to delete the following words *or any individual.*

The motion to amend was carried.

Motion 16

A motion to amend the amended main motion on membership was made and seconded *that dues remain at \$65 for the Emeritus category and discontinue sending the Journal. Emeritus members could subscribe to receive the Journal.*

The motion to amend was carried.

The vote on the amended main motion on membership (Motion 11) was taken.

The motion as amended was carried.

Transforming AAFCS: New Era of Action—Structure

Motion 17

On behalf of the AAFCS Board of Directors, it was moved *that the AAFCS Senate approve the structure recommendations for action with proposed communities of interest and or practice as described in the detail provided, to be effective May 1, 2007.*

Motion 18

It was moved and seconded to amend the main motion *to change the effective date to January 1, 2008.*

The motion to amend was defeated.

Motion 19

A motion was made and seconded to amend the main motion *to eliminate current structure of divisions, maintain sections, and add International as a section.*

The motion to amend was defeated.

Motion 20

A motion was made and seconded *that AAFCS refer to the committee for one year the study of communities of practice and interest before a vote be taken on restructuring organization.*

The motion was defeated.

Motion 21

It was moved and seconded to amend the main motion *to rename the Preprofessional/ Graduate Student Section to “Student Unit” effective immediately.*

The motion to amend was carried.

The vote on the main motion on structure (Motion 17) as amended was taken.

The motion as amended was carried.

Resolution on Nondiscrimination Based on Sexual Orientation

Motion 22

On behalf of the Public Policy Committee, it was moved *that the resolution on non-discrimination based on sexual orientation be approved by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.*

Motion 23

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

The motion was defeated

Motion 24

An amendment was moved and seconded to refer to this resolution as a non-discrimination resolution by removing “based on sexual orientation” from the title and to revise the existing resolution:

- Retain lines 1-2
- Delete lines 3-9
- Retain line 10
- Change line 11: Therefore be it resolved that AAFCS endorses the concept that all persons, regardless of an individual’s or group’s race, ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, age or disability are entitled to equal protection and privilege under the law.

The motion to amend was carried.

A vote was taken on the main motion as amended as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES
ON NON-DISCRIMINATION

Whereas AAFCS supports diversity and has consistently advocated to end discrimination,
and

Whereas AAFCS is a professional society rooted in scientific principles and knowledge
generated by research,

Therefore be it resolved that the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
does not tolerate discrimination with respect to an individual's or group's race, ethnicity,
gender, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, age or disability, and

Therefore be it resolved that the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
endorses the concept that all persons, regardless of an individual's or group's race, ethnicity,
gender, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, age or disability are entitled to equal
protection and privilege under the law.

The motion as amended was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Marie Gribschaw, S.C., CFCS
Secretary