Why did I say yes to the FCS Profession? Why did I say yes to AAFCS membership? Why did I say yes to a board position?

The profession matched my interests and talents.

Membership in the professional organization is needed to maintain my credentials as an FCS professional. Maintenance of credentials encompasses – sharing my research, attending professional development provided by peers, working within a network of peers, mentoring peers, advocating for profession, and providing leadership within the profession.

It is my responsibility as a member to participate in leadership roles. I was asked!

CURRENT AND PAST CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Early to Mid-Career

   Middle and High School Teacher, Work and Family Life, Cincinnati Public Schools

   Career Paths Facilitator – Project LEAD the Way, Pre-engineering program, Cincinnati Public Schools

   Career Paths Curriculum Counsel Lead Teacher for Career Tech Education, Cincinnati Public Schools

Mid to Later Career

   Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Educator, Academic & Professional Career Ladder, The Ohio State University

   Assistant Professor, FCS Educator Department of Extension, Faculty Tract, The Ohio State University

WHAT SPECIFIC SKILLS PREPARED ME TO BECOME A BOARD MEMBER?

I have served as President of both Ohio AFCS and Ohio ATFCS through Early, Mid and Later Career timeframes. My service to NEAFCS is both at the local, state, and national level through committee work, Professional Development and Public Policy. My various roles have enlightened me to the value of professional organizations within our marketplace economy.
WHEN I THINK ABOUT AAFCS, WHAT AM I PASSIONATE ABOUT?

Educating others to the value of AAFCS professional organization to society and educational communities.

MY DEGREES & SCHOOL, CERTIFICATES AND CREDENTIALS

BS Home Economics, BS Education – University of Cincinnati
M Ed Home Economics Education and Administration – Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
NBCT in Career Technical Education
HUD Certified Housing Counselor

MEET MY FAMILY

Widow with three sons and 4 grandchildren
Bruno the cat and an aquarium