



FLORIDA AFFILIATE

July 2023

President's Message



This is a name-dropper message! It is a message of appreciation, gratitude, and thanksgiving for so many willing to step forward to give their time, talent, and treasure in leadership positions. It is a message of moving forward to again have an in-person transition Board meeting this summer and an in-person annual conference next spring.

Technology served its purpose in keeping us connected during the pandemic and its aftermath, but it doesn't give us the people-to-people connection that have forged the strong bonds we've experienced in the past—bonds which have held us together through the challenges we faced in our personal and professional lives as well as in FAFCS. Thanks to the skill sets inherent in Family and Consumer Sciences, we're adaptable in meeting the needs of today by building on our strong foundation because we have the vision of hope backed by research, organizational skills, determination, and caring hearts to continue to work for a world that works for all regardless of the roadblocks put in our way!

June, the first month of the FAFCS year was a fast-paced month! An amazing team of members answered the call to serve on the Board of Directors. Kudos and thanks to Diann Douglas and her committee for putting together an experienced group of elected officers. The officers of the Executive Committee responsible for administration of the business of FAFCS are myself, President Betty McQueen, President Elect Enid Lapham, Past President Judy Corbus, Vice President of Membership Nancy Hamilton, Vice President of Public Relations Wendy Lynch, Secretary Suzanne West, Treasurer Dawn Warner, Nominating Committee Chair Kim Griffin, and Administrative Assistant Donna McGrew (ex-officio member without a vote.)

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All Executive Committee members also serve on the Board of Directors which is the policy making and recommended action body of FAFCS. All chairs are voting members. Two Nomination Committee members are elected positions (Linda Cook and Carolyn Fooshe) with the following positions appointed by the president and approved by the Executive Committee: Awards Kendra Hughes, Development Paulette Goolsby, Annual Conference Donna McGrew, Scholarships Ginger Phillips, International AAFCS Liaison Joyce Cotner, and Social Media Samantha Kennedy.

The following elected members of the Executive Committee assume liaison positions and chairs of or membership on Standing Committees as designated by the FAFCS bylaws and/or Policy Handbook: Program of Work Betty McQueen, Parliamentarian, Bylaws and Policy Handbook Judy Corbus, Annual Conference Liaison Enid Lapham, Newsletter Editor Wendy Lynch, Finance Dawn Warner, Finance Committees Members Betty McQueen, Enid Lapham, Donna McGrew, and Leadership Council Delegates Betty McQueen and Enid Lapham.

For those of you who don't know, with a major revision of the bylaws in 2022, our ten districts were reorganized into three regions. Chairs of geographic divisions are voting members of the Board. This change eliminated seven voting positions.

Region 2 (Districts F/H) made this change years ago, hence they are continuing business as usual. Meeting in June, they elected a new chair, Tiffany Camacho.

Region 1 (Districts A/B/C/D/I) has had five active chairs serving on the Board, Anna-Frances Apap, Diann Douglas, Linda Cook, Lina Ingraham, and Judy Corbus. As a team, they will be making decisions to move forward to officially combine the business of their districts, including the naming of a Region 1 chair.

Region 3 (Districts E/G/J) no longer had active chairs as of June 1st. Former District E Chair, Janelle Smith has moved to Alaska. Active membership is required to serve on the

Board of Directors, and former chairs of G and J are no longer members. I will continue to work with the active members for a chair for Region 3.

Ten of us represented Florida at the AAFCS Annual Conference in Baltimore: Joyce Cot-

ner, Tiffany Camacho, Paulette Goolsby, Enid Lapham, Betty McQueen, Sha Pate, Heidi Radunovich, Marilyn Swierk, Dawn Warner, and Suzanne West. Eight of us managed to carve out a social time one evening for a Florida Connect. Of course, we talked some business with volunteers coming forward. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

How to sum up the AAFCS Conference? So many opportunities! So little time! It was a fast-paced schedule of many opportunities to connect, to learn, to teach, to lead, to interact, to speak, to listen, and to be inspired. As always, I am inspired by the college students and young professionals. They are amazing! Master teachers are definitely not age dependent! Confirmed time after time in their presentations as they honored me with their one-on-one conversations of sharing their stories and dreams.

Sha Pate, who is on the AAFCS Board, played many roles masterfully at the conference, both behind the scenes and presiding on stage. Marilyn Swierk, a former AAFCS President, had a standing -room only session and her Take-It-To-The-Streets swap-meet table was its usual success. Joyce Cotner was active with responsibilities with the International Federation of Home Economics, includ-

ing a fund-raiser table of treasurers for sale with funds earmarked for disaster relief.

Enid Lapham and I attended the Leadership Council. The 2023-2025 National Program of Work was the major agenda item. I do have my work cut out for me as Florida's chair of the Program of Work! I welcome anyone who'd like to be part of this think tank of fulfilling our mission to elevate the profession by inspiring research, leadership, and service to empower individuals, families, and communities. Our three goals are to strengthen the profession, to invest in the future, and to revitalize the organization.

Here's your opportunity to put action to your wish list for our profession! If there ever is a time for a Quantum Leap, now is the time. If you wish to join hands with me, sing "Kumbaya," and take the leap, call, text, write, or visit me. If you wish to participate, you are welcome to attend the transitional Board meeting (date to be announced) as it will not be limited to Board members. If we wait for someday to get involved as an advocate for family and consumer sciences, it may be too late. There are seven days in the week and someday isn't one of them. The world needs family and consumer sciences NOW!

Development Committee

Submitted by Paulette Goolsby

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FAFCS Mini Grant application can be found on pages 10-11.

Immediate Past President

Submitted by Judy Corbus

When I became FAFCS President last June, little did I know my father would suffer a stroke in November. I am thankful he is home with me and continues to improve, but the additional caregiving duties on top of my job responsibilities have left limited time for other activities. Betty Mann McQueen generously offered to finish the second year of my term and I gratefully accepted. I know she will do a fabulous job providing the leadership the Association deserves to continue our important work of helping individuals and families enjoy a better quality of life. Many thanks, Betty!

As I assume the role of Immediate Past President, I turn over the reins to Betty to lead us in transitioning from Districts to Regions. I am encouraged to hear of the expansion of family and consumer sciences programs in at least one of our school districts. I also congratulate our recent award honorees for their accomplishments and leadership in our profession and encourage them to continue their outstanding work – you represent us well!

Finally, I would like to thank the Board for their understanding and support this year. We have a dedicated leadership team that is committed to supporting our membership and profession. I look forward to continuing to serve with you.

Best wishes as we begin our new year!

International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE)

Submitted by Joyce Cotner

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the IFHE XXV World Congress in Galway, Ireland, June 23-28, 2024! The 25th World Congress will be hosted by the National Centre of Excellence for Home Economics, St. Angela's College, Sligo, Ireland on behalf of IFHE. Full details are available at www.ifhe2024.com Join IFHE: www.ifhe.org

Region 2

Submitted by Enid Lapham

After several years of virtual meetings, FAFCS Region 2 held an in person meeting on June 10, 2023. We toured the Sarasota Art Museum (formerly Sarasota High School). Exhibits included The New Black Vanguard Photography between Art and Fashion, Stephanie J. Woods, My Papa Used to Play Checkers, A Beautiful Mess, Weavers and Knotters of the Vanguard, and; Sara Berman's Closet.

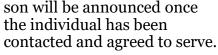


Museum Exhibit



(pictured L-R) Paulette Goolsby, Sha Pate, Suzanne West, Betty McQueen, Diana Smith, Enid Lapham, Donna McGrew and Linda Irish

After touring the museum, we traveled to Der Dutchman, where everyone enjoyed Amish food and shopping. We concluded the day with a business meeting. Betty McQueen explained the new regions of FAFCS. Enid Lapham asked for someone to replace her as Region 2 Chair. The new chairperson will be announced once





(L-R) Betty McQueen and Guide, Carol Nerenberg

FAFCS Annual Meeting 2023

Submitted by Donna McGrew

Judy Corbus, President, called the meeting to order via the Zoom, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Lorna Wounded-Head, Ph.D., AAFCS President, for joining us as our guest speaker. She shared information on the Strategic Plan. Reports were shared by Donna McGrew-Secretary, Dawn Warner-Treasurer, Wendy Lynch-V.P. Public Relations, Nancy Hamilton-V.P. Membership (gave the list of milestone members and an impressive report on the accomplishments of long time member Dr. Clinita Ford), Kendra Hughson-Awards Chair (announced award winners Wendy Lynch -



orna Wounded-Head, PhD

Extension Excellence, Dawn Warner- Leader of the Year, and Tiffany Camacho-New Achiever), Diann Douglas-Nominations Chair (installation of officers;

President '23-'24 Betty Mann McQueen, President-elect Enid Lapham, Secretary Suzanne West, Treasurer Dawn Warner, Nominating Committee Carolynn Fooshee, Nominating Committee Linda Cook (1 year appointment-fills in for Dr. Michael Gutter's last year.)

And "special thanks" go to Samantha Kennedy, Annual Conference Chair, for organizing the meeting.

Why Membership Matters

Submitted by Betty Mann McQueen, CFCS

64 Years Professional Membership

I don't know if I was the oldest to attend the last two AAFCS Conferences, but I do know I was the one with the most years of membership. I was so proud to wear my red rose signifying 50+ years membership—a rose so realistic that some put them in water or the refrigerator to keep them fresh before realizing they were artificial!

As a long-time active member I was invited to give a two-part speech at the 2022 AAFCS Conference in Orlando.

The Video: Why have I paid continuous AAFCS professional dues and given service for 63 years? Because you are my people. You are my cheerleaders; my support system; my go-to people. You give me opportunities to learn, to grow, to thrive, to be successful. You give me volunteer and employment opportunities. Your words of wisdom open my mind, warm my heart, nourish my soul, transforming my life.

Regardless of age, gender, race, culture, educational credentials, career paths or settings, you share my vision of strong, sustainable families. MEMBERSHIP MATTERS because, united, we make it happen better and faster than I could do it alone.

I'm proud to a member of an organization dedicated to making our world a better place for all.

The Presentation: Does MEMBERSHIP MATTER? "It's all about perspective."

Regardless of my career path, family and consumer sciences is my calling. Hence AAFCS is the organizational umbrella that is my heritage and my legacy. Paying dues and giving service for 63 years is my payback and my pay forward. It's my legacy to make sure that those who follow us have a viable organization to inherit.

It's all about perspective. Do you see it as an investment or a financial debit? Has it ever been a hardship for me to pay the dues? Sure, there's been times when I have been financially challenged. But I managed for 61 of the 63 years. One year my employer paid my dues. And I'm grateful to AAFCS for paying my dues when FEMA gave me no help after Hurricane Irma.

If your employer receives any government funds, then MEMBERSHIP MATTER, because elected officials count those membership numbers as potential voters. The more members, the more likely they are to listen. AAFCS gives us the collective numbers to make an impact when advocating for funding for family and consumer sciences programs.

Much of my career has been in the competitive market. With a pool of 50 plus applicants, all things being equal, my AAFCS certification is what tips the scales for me to get the contract. Through the years, I've used the acronym after my name on my business cards rather than spelling out Certified in Family and Consumer Sciences. When I'd give someone my business card, they'd skip over my titles of Executive Director of the Consortium for Children and Youth, Executive Director of Big Brothers Big Sisters, or Program Director of Boys and Girls Clubs, asking. "What's a CFCS?"

It's my conversation starter to make my pitch for family and consumer sciences. Whether I was—or am—employed or volunteering in a traditional or non-traditional setting, I was—and am—always able to show how it relates to my current work setting.

For 62 years the members of the Florida Affiliate have been the wind beneath my wings.

But it was the professors and upper classmen at the University of Nebraska and the members the Nebraska Affiliate that gave me my roots. My first week of college was one of pure cultural shock as I went from a high school class of 15 to a college freshman class of 2000. I was lost. I wanted to go home. Mom and Daddy said it wasn't an option. And then the second week I received an invitation to join the Home Economics Club. The seeds were planted and the roots grew. I flourished. I didn't go home until Thanksgiving. I didn't have a choice. They closed the dorm!

What made the difference? My people found me! They encouraged me. They inspired me. They put me to work. They gave me opportunities.

I was indoctrinated with, what I call, the 11th and 12th commandments: "Thou shalt never let thy AAFCS dues lapse." And "Thou shalt also become a dues paying member of the professional organizations of your employment."

So yes, I pay my AAFCS dues and yes, through the years, I was a member of the associations for teachers, vocational educators, extension agents, 4-H agents, business groups, juvenile justice, and various not-for-profits.

Why? Because MEMEBERSHIP MATTERS. It is the collective voice that is heard. It is the collective voice that makes a difference.

AAFCS MEMBERSHIP MATTERS because, although others try to usurp what we do so well, we continue to do it better and more effectively and efficiently because we have the research to support our proposals for change. We do have positive solutions for making a world that works for all.

I celebrated my 19th birthday at the 50th Conference. It is with joy that I cele-

brate my 84th birthday with you—my family—this week at the 113th Conference. At my age I can take license in bending the rules, so I'm going a little extra over my time allotment to tell the president of the AAFCS Student Unit and first year teacher, who spoke before me, as well as all the college students and the young professionals, that master teachers are not age dependent. At whatever age we, as individuals, are in our education, our employment, or our service, we are lifelong learners and professionals. Therefore, at our worst, family and consumer sciences professionals are fantastic! Collectively we are awesome!

International Home Economics Services (IHES)

Submitted by Joyce Cotner

I had the honor of being installed as IHES President at the June 2022 AAFCS Annual Conference in Orlando and recently returned from conducting the IHES Board of Directors' Meeting, AAFCS Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD, June 2023.

IHES is a 501c3 nonprofit organization and part of the Mission Statement is to – "Strengthen the formal and non-formal home economics programs in developing countries".

This past Sept 2022 IHES awarded 7 Scholarships totaling approximately \$14,000.00 to International Home Economics professionals from developing countries, -- (Jamaica, India, Nigeria, Antigua & West Indies).

Recently IHES has engaged in international projects supplying resource materials for home economics teachers and students in Puerto Rico and Guyana.

District D

Submitted by Lina Ingraham

District D was able to get a few members - current and former - together on a beautiful day for lunch at Newk's Eatery in Jacksonville. Bob and Joyce Miles joined us. Joyce was formerly a District D member and FAFCS president before relocating first to NC and then to Indiana where they currently



live. Also attending were FCS members Lynne Fooshe, Lina Ingraham and Wendy Lynch as well as former members Margaret Camarata, Jane Corless, Anita McKinney. Joining Lina was granddaughter Morgan Yonge.

Development Committee Announcements

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FAFCS MINI-GRANT APPLICATION

Fall Deadline October 8, 2023

Notification of winners by October 27, 2023 Implementation completed, and all documents submitted by May 1, 2024 Extensions may be given upon request and approval

Note: If a team of FCS professionals is applying, please designate a coordinator who will be responsible for all reports and the completion of the following form. This person must be an active member of FAFCS.

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FAFCS Development Mini-Grant Application

All five of the sections below must be completed in order to be considered:

Project Subject Area:	
Project Title:	
Grant Request Amount (must match Total Budgeted amount on #3 below):	
How many students or community persons will be involved? Give specific number.	
Grade level(s) if students are involved. (If none, put "N/A")	
In order to ensure impartiality, do not use your name or business in your project description. Use of your name or business may disqualify your grant application.	
1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	
Give a brief overall description of the project to be used for publication purposes. Description must be understandable to lay person.	
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Why is this project needed?	_
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What will you do to address this need? (Please note: We are looking for creative, innovative, and collaborative projects).	_
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2. BUSINESS/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP:	_
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3. PROJ	IECT BUDGET:		
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4. RESU	ILTS AND EVALUATION:		
evaluation		your project? Please be specific. (I it should be included, along with you y of results, and receipts).	

5. REQUIREMENT: Email this Original Application by October 8, 2023 for Fall Deadline to:

Paulette Goolsby, Development Chair goolsbye@pcsb.org



Dr. Sharon S, Pate BOD Member At Large Report June, 2023

Zoom Meetings and email with staff Associate Director of Conference, Meetings and Exhibits, Sandra Andrade.

Zoom, email and telephone meetings

- Maryland ACLAC concerning Educational Sessions, Proposals, tours of local business
- Assisted Lori Myers, Liz Mullens Sandra Andrade, ACLAC for Apparel Textile and Design Showcase judging projects and finding dress forms
- Worked with, Sandra Andrade, Meeshay Williams and Martha Ravola on Nancy Bock Farwell Reception, many emails concerning trivia, speakers

Executive Director Search

- Met with Vsti Partners and ED Search Committee to plan search requirements
- Reviewed Candidates Biography and Vita for interviews
- Helped interview and discussed with Search Committee the 9 top Candidates for ED
- Listened and discussed with the Board of Directors and Vsti Partners for the top 3 ED Candidates and helped select the top Candidate

Thoughts one a BOD member at large first-year term. It has been a very rewarding and challenging year, learning new technologies and meetings with staff and Board Members both in person and on Zoom. We have said goodbye to our Executive Director, held a National Search and selected a New Executive Director, adopted a Strategic Plan, revised our by-laws and received guidance on AAFCS finances. I have participated in ACLAC and future Conference planning, Leadership Council/Academy, Affiliate Connect Meetings and become a Mentor for the Leadership Academy. The BOD has accomplished many things in one year and I look forward to Elevating FCS in 2023-2024.

Congratulations to our 2023 Award Recipients Submitted by: Kendra Hughson

Leader of the Year: Dawn Warner



Dawn encourages teachers to be active in AAFCS and FAFCS by seeking resources and opportunities for them to attend district, state, and national conferences. She walks-her-talk in that she has been a constant in serving on the FAFCS Board for almost 20 years as president, president elect, secretary, treasurer, education chair, and FCCLA liaison.

She has also demonstrated leadership skills with other FCS organizations including:

- FACTE; Board of Directors, Currently Member at Large
- FCCLA; Board of Directors, Currently FAFCS Representative. Past President, Treasurer, and Secretary.
- FEFACS: Currently President.

She never hesitates to say yes when asked to serve, or when the need arises, is the first to say, "I'll do it." She is action oriented,

knowledgeable about governing parameters, and articulate in defining the problem, and outlining the options for moving forward.

These are characteristics that qualify my nomination for Dawn Warner as Leader of the Year.

New Achiever: Tiffany Camacho



Tiffany Camacho is in her second year of teaching Culinary Arts at Tarpon Springs High School in Pinellas County. Her first year of teaching culinary she was split between Tarpon Springs Middle School and Tarpon Springs High School. Tarpon Springs Middle School did not previously have a Family and Consumer Sciences program in place. Tiffany had to create a program from the bottom up from setting up an old science room to creating new curriculum. The students in the middle school loved her class so much, that there was an increase in freshman enrollment requests for this school year at Tarpon Springs High School. Due to the increase in enrollment at the high school, Tiffany is now full time at the high school teaching Culinary Arts 1 all day. Tiffany has a real passion for culinary and it is always evident when you speak to her about the program as well as in the awards her students have won. She is co-sponsoring the Skills USA club at her school this year and has mentored numerous students to compete at regional and state competitions. She also

mentored students who recently placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the cake decorating contest at the Florida State Fair and an all-freshman team who placed 1st at the Pinellas County Schools Grilled Cheese Cook-off in December.

Tiffany has a thirst for continuing her professional education by attending numerous trainings in collaboration with other culinary instructors in the district. She was instrumental in creating a skills checklist of skills all schools will be using to assure our students are ready for post-secondary education. Additionally, she has joined two professional organizations, PACTE (Pinellas Association of Career Technical Education) and AAFCS. Tiffany attended the AAFCS conference in Orlando with the intent of bringing home more strategies for her teacher toolbox. Tiffany also volunteered to

present information she learned at AAFCS to her peers at the back-to-school district wide training this past August.

We are proud to nominate Tiffany Camacho for the Florida Association of Family and Consumer Sciences New Achiever of the Year award.

Extension Excellence: Wendy Lynch



Wendy Lynch has worked for the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences as the Family and Consumer Sciences Agent since 2006. In 2021, her role shifted to a split appointment of Family and Consumer Sciences agent and Regional Specialized Agent (RSA) for the Central District Family and Consumer Sciences team. Currently in her seventeenth year with Extension, Wendy specializes in chronic disease prevention and lifestyle intervention programs including weight management, heart health, and diabetes prevention. As RSA, she supports the Family and Consumer Sciences faculty in the Central District through leadership, mentoring and providing professional development opportunities.

In the past three years, Wendy has participated in 120 professional development sessions. This included 291 hours of educational webinars and trainings on topics such as active aging,

adaptive fitness, diabetes, food photography, leadership, mental health, nutrition and well-being, mindfulness, weight management, technology, social media, and diversity equity and inclusion. Wendy holds an American Council on Exercise Weight Management Specialist and American Council on Exercise Health Coach certifications to support her Extension outreach.

Wendy has served on the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Obesity Prevention and Nutrition Health and Food Management committee in 2019. She has served as Vice President of Public Relations for the Florida Affiliate of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences for the past four years. She has been a member for eighteen years.

In the past five years, Wendy has served as a mentor to six Family and Consumer Sciences agents, all in various stages of their career. She provides leadership and guidance for mentees focusing on Extension program development and evaluation. She is committed to enhancing competencies within Extension Program Development including program management, marketing, and expanding technology skills and application to enhance programming.

Wendy actively supports her professional organizations, provides leadership and professional development opportunities for her mentees, district faculty and through a multi-state partnership, nationwide. Wendy aims to provide the best quality support and leadership within her district and educational outreach in the county that she serves.

Dear FAFCS Colleagues:

Spring is arriving in just a couple of days. I hope no one is buried in snow even though we have had a few cool days lately. Here in SW Florida, Hurricane Ian Recovery efforts are in full swing, as well as the baseball bats of Spring Training and Little League (of course!)

Attached is the quarterly membership report from AAFCS for Jan.- March, 2023. Please note that there are 2 sheets to the Excel document---Active and Terminated, and remember that the columns can be adjusted to view more or less information in that column. Here is a key to the color coding on the ACTIVE sheet:

ORANGE = Due April-June.; YELLOW= Past Due/Lapsed; VIOLET= Due Now (March.); BLUE= RENEWED; GREEN = New; GRAY = Deceased; If you know of others who are deceased and are still showing up on the ACTIVE list, please let me know.

Please work on contacting those members who are marked with ORANGE, YELLOW, VIOLET, and especially GREEN so they are not lost! As always, contact me with your questions. Remember that I can only go by what is reported to AAFCS, so if there are changes regarding membership, please urge your District members to make the necessary changes on the website

Unfortunately 6 of our former members show up on the "Terminated" list this time. These are marked in a garnet color on the "Terminated" Page. If you have information on any of these members, please let me know. None of the 9 terminated on the last report renewed either.

On the positive side, **District E welcomes a new member**, **Deborah Pride**. Her email is: dmsp1997@yahoo.com
AND welcome back to Carolynne Fooshee from District E. Her email is: ckfooshee2@gmail.com

Thank you for all you do for our profession and Happy Spring! Nancy Hamilton, CFCS FAFCS VP for Membership

BREAKDOWN BY DISTRICTS:

	A	В	C	D	E	F	G	Н	I	J	TOTAL
ACTIVE	2	9	7	3	7	22	4	3	1	1	59
(deceased NOT included he	ere)										
(last report 12/22/22)	2	12	8	4	5	24	6	3	2	1	67
NEW (Green)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
DUE NOW (Mar.) Violet	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	4
DUE Next Qt. Apr- June(Orange)	0	1	2	0	1	5	0	1	0	0	10
PAST DUE/											
LAPSED (Yellow)	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	4
TERMINATED since	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	6
Last report											
RENEWED (Blue)	1	0	2	0	3	4	2	0	0	1	13
DECEASED (Gray)	0	(2)	0	(1)	0	(1)	0	0	0	0	4
LIFETIME	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6

	Budget 2023-2024 Budget (approved	5/20/2	23)		
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		ŀ	Proposed		Notes
<u>100</u>	INCOME:				
101	Annual Meeting	\$	-		
	Membership Dues	\$	1,300.00		
	August Dues (July and Sept)		-		
	November Dues				
	February Dues				
	April Dues				
103	Designated Income (specific project)				
	Donation (scholarship fund)				
	Balance Forward	\$	2,640.18		
106	Conference Seed Money	\$	2,960.00		
	Development Income	\$	200.00		
	Transfer From Savings to cover:	-			
	a. APU Leadership Mtg.	\$	1,000.00		
	b. AAFCS Delegates	·	,		
	c. Transition Meeting/Quantium Leap	\$	2,000.00		
	d. CSM		,		
	e. Charitable Contribution				
	f. Mini grants (3@\$250 each)	\$	750.00		
	Closing Conference Account	,			
	Transfer From Savings				
	TOTAL	\$	10,850.18	\$ -	
	EXPENDITURES				
200	OFFICERS/BOARD:				
	President Floor				
	President-Elect				
	Secretary	Φ.	25.00		
	Treasurer	\$	25.00		
	V P Public Relations	¢.	05.00		
	V P Membership	\$	25.00 500.00		
	Board Assistant - Stipend	\$	500.00		
200					
	COMMITTEES:				
300	COMMITTEES: Archives (Strozier)	\$	50.00		
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400	SUB-UNITS:				
402	Preprofessional Section				
	Preprofessional Delegate - AAFCS				
	Preprofessional Support - FAFCS				
101	Troprofessional Support 174 SS				
500	GENERAL SUPPORT:				
501	Contingency				
502	FAFCS Handbook/by-Laws				
	Incorporation Fee	\$	70.00		
	Insurance/Bonding	\$	600.00		
505	Newsletters (Printing & Mailing)	T			
506	Supplies/Printing				
	Postage				
508	Website Maintenance				
	VV ODORO IMARIROMANIO				
600	MEETING EXPENSES:				
601	Transition Meeting/Quantium Leap	\$	2,000.00		
	FAFCS Annual Meeting (seed)	\$	2,960.00		
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603	Delegate(s) to AAFCS	\$	2,500.00		
	Support for State Award Winners	<u> </u>	_,000.00		
605	AAFCS Designated Events				
	APU Leadership Conference	\$	1,000.00		
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700	CONTRIBUTIONS AND DUES:				
701	IFHE				
702	International Students				
703	Development AAFCS	\$	50.00		
	Home and Community				
	(Betsy Norum Scholarship)				
705	Charitable Contribution				
900	MISCELLANEOUS:				
901	MISCELLANEOUS:	\$	145.18		
	Transfer to Savings	-			
	<u> </u>				
		\$	10,850.18	¢	
	TOTAL	Ψ	10,030.10	-	
	Account Balances				
	Primary Business Checking			\$ -	
	Business Money Market				
	Primary Business CK- State Conf				
	Total				
	Hasn't cleared the bank				

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Prior Revision 2003

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Prior Revision 2006 Prior Revision 2012

Prior Revision 2014

Prior Revision 2018

BYLAWS

OF THE

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION of

FAMILY and CONSUMER SCIENCES

Article I

NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Florida Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, hereafter referred to as FAFCS.

also known as

Florida Affiliate of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

Article II

PURPOSES, MISSION, AND DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION STATEMENT

Section 1. The purposes of FAFCS shall be the same as those of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (hereafter referred to as AAFCS) as stated in its bylaws.

Section 2. The purposes of the Association are (1) to further improve and strengthen education and science in family and consumer sciences, (2) to encourage and promote full and fair explanation of pertinent facts affecting family and consumer sciences, and (3) to promote liaison and other cooperative activity with groups having related concern as family and consumer sciences.

Section 3. The mission of the Association is to provide leadership and support for professionals whose work assists individuals, families, and communities in making informed decisions about their well-being, relationships, resources to achieve optimal quality of life.

Section 4. The Association celebrates, embraces, and respects the value of every person. Our commitment to diversity, equality, inclusion, and social justice is demonstrated through our work to improve the well-being and quality of life for individuals, families, and communities.

Article III

AFFILIATION

The Florida Association of Family and Consumer Sciences is the Florida Affiliate of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Article IV

OFFICERS, STAFF AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. The officers of the Association, who shall be active members, shall consist of a president, president-elect, and vice-president for membership, vice-president for public relations, secretary, treasurer, nominating committee, and past-president/parliamentarian. The staff shall consist of the Administrative Assistant an AAFCS member, who shall be appointed by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Election of officers of the Association shall be by ballot (mail or other technology-assisted options) as prepared by the Nominating Committee. Ballots shall be distributed to all individual members, with the exception of reserve, student, and honorary members, at least thirty days before the annual conference. Ballots must be returned to the chair of the Nominating Committee in time to be tabulated prior to the Annual Conference.

Section 3. Elections in <u>even numbered years</u> will be for vice-president for membership, vice-

president for public relations, and two members of the Nominating Committee. Elections in <u>odd</u> <u>numbered years</u> will be for treasurer, secretary and one member of the Nominating Committee. The president-elect shall be elected annually.

Section 4. Candidates for offices shall be chosen in such manner as to assure representation of the various districts of the state, the family and consumer sciences subject matter areas, and professional groups. To be eligible for nomination to an office, other than president-elect, an individual must have held continuous membership in AAFCS for at least three years and be currently a member in good standing (dues current). Nominees for president-elect shall have served on the FAFCS Board of Directors within the five years prior to their nomination, and shall have attended at least half of the board meetings during their term of office. Consent of all nominees shall be secured before placing their name on the ballot.

Section 5. Elections shall be by a majority of votes cast.

Article V

FUNCTIONS AND TERMS OF OFFICERS AND STAFF

Section 1. The functions of the elected officers of the Association are as defined below:

(a) The <u>president</u> shall be the executive officer of the association, shall preside at meetings of the state association, shall chair the Executive Committee and Board of Directors, and shall serve as a voting member of the Leadership Council or shall appoint another member to attend and serve in their absence. The president shall appoint members as chairs of committees with the approval of the Executive Committee, and shall approve expenditures differing from the approved budget. The president shall send an annual report to AAFCS. The president shall appoint members to fill unexpired terms in case of vacancies in elective offices with the exception of the president-elect who shall be elected by the Board of Directors. The

president shall be responsible for representing or for providing for official representation of FAFCS at state, regional, or national meetings when needed, and shall participate at meetings where FAFCS should be represented.

(b) The *president-elect* shall become familiar with the workings of the Association in preparation for assuming the duties of the president for the following year, and shall serve as a voting member of the AAFCS Leadership Council or the president shall appoint another member to attend and serve in their absence. The president-elect shall attend AAFCS workshops for state presidents and president-elects. The president-elect shall serve as the liaison to the districts coordinating the annual conference. The president-elect shall perform all duties of the president during the president's absence or disability or in event of resignation.

(c) The vice presidents shall be:

- (1) The <u>vice-president for membership</u> shall prepare and distribute *monthly* membership reports and AAFCS printouts to the district chairs and upon request to all individuals, the official applications for admission to AAFCS membership; and shall serve as chair of the Membership Committee.
- (2) The <u>vice-president for public relations</u> shall chair the Public Relations Committee and shall serve as the newsletter editor preparing three (3) issues per year of <u>The Fan Letter</u> (Florida Affiliate News), official publication of FAFCS, with assistance from administrative assistant; plan and coordinate efforts to expand and improve public knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the family and consumer sciences profession; communicate with districts regarding the AAFCS and FAFCS public relations program(s); compile and submit information to AAFCS to update the website.
- (d) The <u>secretary</u> shall take minutes of the Executive Committee and Board of Director meetings and of all business sessions of the Association, and will submit such minutes to Executive Committee and Board members <u>within</u> four (4) weeks after each meeting respectively.

- (e) The <u>treasurer</u> shall keep accurate records of income and disbursements, shall prepare and submit an annual budget to the Board of Directors <u>at the spring meeting</u> and shall submit records to be reviewed annually. The financial review at the end of the fiscal year will be internal, by a committee of two persons appointed by the president. <u>All yearly financial reviews must be included and submitted in the annual treasurer's report</u>
- (f) The *past president* shall serve on the Executive Committee and Board of Directors, shall have responsibility for the collection and arrange for deposit of archive materials. The *past president* shall also serve as *parliamentarian* and shall be acquainted with the proceedings outlined in the current edition of *Roberts Rules of Order* and shall see that the business of the Association is conducted according to these rules; shall assure compliance with the Bylaws of FAFCS and AAFCS; shall chair the Policy Handbook Committee, and shall serve as chair of the Bylaws Committee.
- (g) The <u>chair of the Nominating Committee</u> shall serve on the Executive Committee.
- **Section 2**. The functions of the <u>Administrative</u> <u>Assistant</u> of the Association are as defined below:
- (a) The Administrative Assistant shall be the administrative liaison between the president, the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors, and the general membership; and shall provide for the continuity of the Association at state and national levels. The Administrative Assistant shall be a member, without vote, of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors. Should the office of executive director become vacant; the Executive Committee shall designate an interim Administrative Assistant until the position is filled.
- (b) The Administrative Assistant shall be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Association under the direction of the president; shall be an ex-officio member of the Finance Committee and the Annual Conference Committee; shall assist with the publication and distribution of the newsletter; and shall attend other meetings as

- designated by the president and the Executive Committee.
- (c) The Administrative Assistant shall provide a permanent address for the Association. If position is not currently filled, the president shall provide permanent address.
- Section 3. The terms of office shall be one year for the president, president-elect, and past president. All other elected officers shall serve for two years.

ARTICLE VI

GOVERNING BOARDS

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the elected officers (President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, Vice-Presidents for Membership and Public Relations, Secretary, Treasurer, Nominating Committee Chair and Administrative Assistant (an ex-officio member without vote

The Executive Committee will administer the business of the Association. Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held at least two times per year. Meetings may be held on the call of the president. One half of the voting members shall constitute a quorum (**four**).

Not fulfilling the obligations of office is cause for removal from office. See *Removal from Office* procedures in Handbook.

Section 2. The <u>Board of Directors</u> shall consist of the Executive Committee, nominating committee, standing committee chairs, community chair(s), region chairs, and liaisons to AAFCS. The Board of Directors shall act as policy making body and recommend action to the business session of all meetings of the Association. The Board of Directors shall meet upon call of the president, or at the request of a majority of members of the Board of Directors. A minimum of six (6) members from the Board of Directors present at meeting will constitute a quorum.

Section 3. The <u>Assembly</u> shall consist of the Board of Directors and the membership of the Association. The Assembly shall meet at the annual conference. A majority of members present shall constitute a quorum. The Assembly shall receive reports from the Nominating Committee, officers and other committee chairs; shall adopt resolutions; and advise the senators to the Annual Conference of AAFCS.

Article VII

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1. Membership requirements will be the same as those stated in the Bylaws of AAFCS.

Section 2. Members shall pay annual dues as designated in the Bylaws of AAFCS.

Article VIII

COMMITTEES

The standing committees shall include the following: Annual Conference, Awards, Bylaws / Handbook, Development, Finance, Nominating, and Scholarship.

- (1) <u>Annual Conference Committee</u> shall consist of a Chair or Co-Chairs and a Finance chair. This committee will plan and execute a spring conference. The Chair(s) will work closely with the president and present plans for the annual conference to the Executive Committee for approval.
- (2) <u>Awards Committee</u> shall consist of the previous and current chairs and additional members, as needed. They shall prepare, distribute, and act upon application for the awards of the association.
- (3) <u>Bylaws /Handbook Committee</u> shall be chaired by the <u>past president</u>. The duties of the committee shall be to receive and propose amendments to the Bylaws with the Board of Directors approval.
- (4) <u>Development Committee</u> shall maintain contact with the district chairpersons. They shall

communicate AAFCS Development activities to the membership and shall develop and carry out plans for contributions for development.

They shall prepare and forward mini-grant applications and communicate with showcase carousel chair of the annual conference.

- (5) <u>Finance Committee</u> shall consist of the president, president-elect and treasurer, who will serve as chair. The duties are to review expenditures and prepare an annual budget, which is submitted to the Board of Directors for approval at the fall meeting, and make recommendations on the investment of funds.
- (6) <u>Nominating Committee</u> shall prepare and distribute to all active members a ballot consisting of at least one name for each office to be filled; receive and tally ballots; <u>notify candidates of their election to office with installation to occur at annual conference</u>; and report the results to the Assembly.
- (7) <u>Scholarship Committee</u> shall consist of the chair and additional members, as needed. They shall publicize, receive, and review applications for the undergraduate and graduate scholarship(s), <u>conference scholarship for members (CSM)</u> and recommend recipients to the Board of Directors.

Article IX

REGION ASSOCIATIONS

- **Section 1.** The Association shall be organized into regions of the state as determined by the Board of Directors. The purposes of the region organization and requirements for membership shall be the same as for FAFCS and AAFCS.
- **Section 2**. The Board of Directors may re-define the geographic boundaries from time to time when such action would facilitate the work of the regions or the Association.
- **Section 3**. Regions shall present a written report to the president and an oral report to the Assembly at the Annual Conference.

Section 4. The regions shall be defined by the following geographic county boundaries:

Region 1: Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Gadsden, Liberty, Franklin, Leon, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, Hamilton, Columbia, Suwannee, Lafayette, Dixie, Gilchrist, Union, Bradford, Alachua, Levy, Putnam, Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Baker, Nassau, Duval, Clay, St. Johns, Holmes, Jackson, Washington, Bay, Calhoun, Gulf. Region 2: Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Sarasota, Hardee,

Desoto, Highlands, Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee.

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Region 3: Volusia, Lake, Seminole, Orange, Osceola, Brevard, Flagler, Indian River, Okeechobee, St. Lucie, Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe.

Article X

AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The Bylaws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at the Assembly of the Annual Conference or by a majority of votes cast by ballot provided that notice of the proposed amendment(s) is distributed to all members at least one month prior to the date set for counting such votes.

Section 2. The Bylaws may be automatically changed to follow the AAFCS bylaws without the vote of the FAFCS members.

Article XI

FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Association shall be June 1 to May 31 of each year.

Article XII

MEETINGS

There shall be an Annual Conference of the Association. In the event of an emergency the

Board of Directors can cancel the Annual Conference.

Article XIII

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Except as otherwise provided in its Bylaws and Standing Rules, the Association shall be governed in its proceedings by the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order*.

Article XIV

DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution or termination of the Association, the Executive Committee shall, after the payment of all of the liabilities of the Association, dispose of all of the assets of the Association exclusively for the objectives of the Association, in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized exclusively for charitable, educational, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) as the Executive Committee shall determine. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the court of proper jurisdiction, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said court shall determine which are organized and operated for such purposes.

Article XV

TAX-EXEMPT STATUS

Section 1. The Association is a non-stock and non-profit corporation. No part of the net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its officers or other private persons, except that the Association shall be authorized or empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution to further the objectives set forth in

Article III of the Articles of Incorporation of AAFCS.

No substantial part of the activities of the Association shall be invested in carrying on propaganda, or lobbying to influence legislation. The Association shall not participate in, or intervene in, any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any of the provisions in the Articles of Incorporation, the Association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on: (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provisions of any future United States internal revenue law) or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provisions of any future United States internal revenue law).

Section 2. If in any one year the Association is found to be a private foundation, then, and in that event, its income for each taxable year shall be distributed at such time and in such a manner as to not subject the foundation to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code. The foundation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing (as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code), shall not retain any excess business holdings (as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code), shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject the foundation to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code, and shall not make any taxable expenditures (as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code).

Florida Affiliate of AAFCS c/o Donna McGrew, Administrative Assistant 3175 57th Avenue Circle East Bradenton, FL 34203-5332

July 2023