## NCDEAFCS Spring 2016 State Report

The spring Meeting of the North Central District of the Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (NCDEAFCS) was held on March 18, 2016 at Kernersville, NC at the Area on Aging facility, 1398 Carrollton Crossing Drive. Most members were in attendance except Morris White, Geissler Baker, and Phyllis Smith. Members present included: Deborah McGiffin, Jamie Lawhon, Debbie Cox, Marilyn Wells, Carolyn Shepherd, Deborah Womack, Sonya Patterson, Jennifer Grable, Carmen Long. Jeannie Leonard, and quest Amber Winslow, the spring Durham County FCS intern. The meeting began with approval of the minutes from the fall NCDEAFCS meeting. The treasurer's report was reviewed accounting for the following funds:

Checking	\$ 2,424.10
Money Market	9,347.66
Savings	37.33
CD	6,534.41
Total	\$18,343.50

## Committee reports yielded the following information.:

- •Marilyn Wells did bring up Geissler Baker's pending retirement planned for April, all though a retirement reception had not yet been scheduled.
- •Carmen Long brought up the success passage of the recent NC Connect \$2 billion bond, but stated there could be some legal complications pending an investigation about how the bond was promoted by government officials prior to its passage.

Old business: none was discussed

## New business:

- •Carmen Long briefly discussed a recent conference call with Dr. Mike Yoder and the executive NCEAFCS board. She also emphasized that FCS leadership to ECA was still under debate. The state staff is planning to implement a "master volunteer" program other than the Master Food Volunteer program that ECA members can participate in and get training in subject matter for dissemination in their respective communities. Agents expressed concerns on keeping ECA relevant, but also respecting their past and current contributions to county FCS programs.
- •Deborah Womack brought up officer positions for the coming year. It was decided that creating a slate of 2017 officers should be tabled until after the 2016 NCEAFCS state conference and until to new CES staffing plan is implemented fully, giving the district an idea of who and how my agents would be available to hold office.

## Professional development:

Deborah McGiffin demonstrated how to use Poll Everywhere, a cell phone app that can be useful fro engaging audience and retrieving program evaluation data. A tour of Korner's Folly, a 19<sup>th</sup> century home built to show case the owner's Interior design business, concluded the spring NCDEAFCS Meeting.