



# Candidate Application for National Office

What you can expect when applying for a National Board Position:

- Newly elected individuals will receive training from board members, and materials related to the position will be passed down.
- Candidates will be invited to join the Pre-National Board Meeting as an observer to become familiar with board business (will not be reimbursed by National to attend)
- Newly elected Executive Board members may be reimbursed for one night's lodging for post board meeting (at a rate of ½ of double room) but are not reimbursed for additional travel costs. Meal reimbursement for day of post board meeting will follow Policy Manual and current approved budget.

Office Applied for: Secretary

Date: April 27, 2020

This form should be used as a guideline. When typing your own form, add more space as necessary.

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Extension Educator, Family & Consumer Sciences			Ohio State University Extension, Holmes County		
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## I. Education Background

BS/BA	Dietetics	Indiana University of Pennsylvania	1997
	Major	Institution	Year
MS/MA	Public Health Nutrition	Case Western Reserve University	1999
	Major	Institution	Year
PhD			
	Major	Institution	Year

## II. NEAFCS Experience

Office	Year(s)
Committee Chair	Year(s)
Exhibits Sub-Committee Chair	2015
Exhibits Sub-Committee Co-Chair	2012-2014, 2018

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Other Assignments Representing NEAFCS	Year(s)
Exhibits Sub-committee member	2011-2019
Professional Development Sub-committee member	2019-2020
Proposal and/or Awards Reviewer	2018-2019
Volunteer at Annual Conference (ticket taker, session host, etc.)	2011-2019

Annual Sessions Attended (list years)

2019	2016	2013	2010	2004
2018	2015	2012	2007	
2017	2014	2011	2006	

Submissions for Awards, Webinars and/or Annual Session Proposals (concurrent session, poster, ignite)  
*Submission did not have to be accepted.*

Check all that apply:

- Webinar Submission Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- Annual Session Proposal Year(s): '04, '06, '07, '10, '11, '14, '15, '19 Proposal Type: Concurrent, Poster
- Award Submission Year(s): '09, '11, '14, '16, '18, '19

**III. State/Territory Affiliate Experience**

Office	Year(s)
Vice President, Ohio NEAFCS Affiliate	2014
President, Ohio NEAFCS Affiliate	2015

Committee Chair Year(s)

Professional Development Committee	2012
Member Resources Committee	2013-2019

Committee Year(s)

**IV. Non-Association Extension Leadership Assignments**

(Annual conference committees, search committees, etc.)

Assignments: Elected (E) or Appointed (A) Year(s)

Search Committee, North East Regional Director, Ohio State University Extension (A)	2012
Ohio JCEP Board of Directors (also formerly Ohio Association of Extension Professionals, Ohio Extension Agents Association and Ohio ESP) (E)	
Association President (Elect/Current/Past)	2017-2019
Ohio NEAFCS Affiliate President/President-Elect	2014-2015
Board Member	2010-2013
Regional FCS Representative	2002-2003
Ohio Local Foods Signature Program, Co-Leader (A)	2012-2014
Ohio JCEP Global Relations Committee, Chair (A)	2010, 2012, 2013
Ohio JCEP Public Relations Committee, Chair (A)	2003
Search Committee, FCS Field Specialist, Food Safety, Selection and Management, Ohio State University Extension (A)	2015-2016

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Food Preservation Team, Ohio State University Extension, Leader (A)	2015-Present
Food Safety Team, Ohio State University Extension, Interim Leader (A)	June 2015-June 2017 August 2019-Present
Annual Conference Planning Committee, Ohio State University Extension, Leader (A)	2018

**V. Membership/Leadership in Other Organizations**

(Professional, civic, service, religious or agency related organizations)

Organizations, Leadership role	Year(s)
Annual Conference Planning Committee, Ohio State University Extension	2018-2020
Community Engagement Conference Planning Committee, Ohio State University	2018-2019
Mentor to new FCS Educators, Ohio State University Extension	2018 – 2019
TAP Series ANSI Food Handler and Allergen Awareness Oversight Committee.	
Training Achievement Program Series.	2018
Stand Against Falls Coalition.	2014 - Present.
East Ohio Women in Agriculture Team.	2013 - Present.
FCS Healthy People Team, Active Member	2012 - Present
Ohio State University Extension, Local Foods Signature Program, Member	2012-2015
Holmes County Farm to School Initiative	2011 - 2012
Food Service Committee, Camp Ohio	2011 - 2016
Healthy Holmes County Coalition/Community Health Improvement Plan	2011 - Present
Food Preservation Team, Active Member	2010 - Present
Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Nutrition Education for the Public	2009 - Present
Diabetes Education Team, Active Member	2008 - 2013
Holmes County Family & Children First Council, Vice Chair 2011-2012/ Chair 2013-2014	2008 - Present
Food Safety Team, Active Member	2008 - Present
Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics	1997 - Present
Ohio Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics	1997 - Present

**VI. Work Experience Other Than Extension (if applicable)**

Positions	Year(s)
N/A	

**VII. Awards and Honors**

Awards	Date(s)
NEAFCS, Food Safety Award, 2nd Place National	2019
NEAFCS, Food Safety Award, 2nd Place Central Region	2019
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP, Diversity/Multicultural Recognition – Team	2019
NACAA, Poster Session: Extension Education, State Winner	2019
NEAFCS, Communications Television/Video Program Award, 2nd Place National	2018
NEAFCS, Communications Television/Video Program Award, 1st Place Central Region	2018
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Creative Works and Media Competition	
1st Place - Instructional Videos/CD's/DVD's/Podcasts, Computer Generated Presentation	2017
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Creative Works and Media Competition	
2nd Place - Instructional Videos/CD's/DVD's/Podcasts, Computer Generated Presentation	2017
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Creative Works and Media Competition	
1st Place - Promotional Flyer	2017
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Creative Works and Media Competition	
2nd Place - Fact Sheet	2017
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Team Teaching –	
One Program Area - Honorable Mention	2017
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Mid-Career Award – FCS	2017
Marilyn R. Spiegel Excellence in Extension 2017 Family and Consumer Sciences Award	2017
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Team Teaching Award - 1st Place	2016
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Mid-Career Award - FCS,	2016
NEAFCS Continued Excellence Award,	2016
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Creative Work-Promotional Flyer –	
Professionally Assisted - 2nd Place	2016

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Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Mid-Career Award – FCS	2015
Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP Ohio FCS Continued Excellence Award	2015
Ohio JCEP Curriculum Package - Team, Honorable Mention	2014
Ohio JCEP Newsletter, Individual - Internally Produced, Honorable Mention	2014
Ohio JCEP Promotional Exhibit - Internally Produced, 1st Place	2014
Ohio JCEP Promotional Flyer - Internally Produced, 1st Place	2014
Ohio JCEP Team Teaching Award - Multi-Disciplinary:5 or more members - 2nd Place	2014
NEAFCS Distinguished Service Award	2014
NEAFCS, Communications - Educational Technology, 1st Place Central Region	2014
Ohio FCS Distinguished Service Award	2013
OJCEP Team Teaching Award, Multi-Disciplinary - 5 or more members	2013
OJCEP Team Teaching Award - One Program Area - 2-4 members	2013
OJCEP Professional Development Scholarship	2013
OJCEP Years of Service Award - 15 years	2013
NEAFCS, Communications - Educational Curriculum, 1st Place Central Region	2011
NEAFCS, Communications - Educational Curriculum, 1st place National	2011
Ohio ESP Creative Works, Educational Exhibit - Professionally Assisted, 1st Place	2011
Ohio ESP 2010 Team Teaching Award - Multi-Disciplinary:5 or more members - 1st Place	2010
Ohio ESP 2010 Team Teaching Award: Multi-Disciplinary:5 or more members - 2nd Place	2010
Ohio ESP 2010 Tools for Teaching - Educational Package, Team - 2nd Place (tie)	2010
Ohio ESP 2010 Tools for Teaching - Newsletter Team, Internally Produced - 1st Place	2010
Ohio ESP 2010 Tools for Teaching - Promotional Exhibit, Internally Produced - 1st Place	2010
Ohio ESP 2010 Tools for Teaching - Promotional Package, Team - 1st Place	2010
NEAFCS Central Region Community Partnership Award	2009
Regional Achievement Award, 2-10 years, FCS, Ohio Association of Extension Professionals	2008
State Achievement Award, 2-10 years, FCS, Ohio Association of Extension Professionals	2008
Regional Achievement Award, 2-10 years, FCS, Ohio Association of Extension Professionals	2007
District Achievement Award, 2-10 years, FCS, Ohio Association of Extension Professionals	2006
Ohio ESP Team Teaching Award - One Program Area, 2-4 members	2006
Outstanding Poster Presentation, FCS - OSU Extension, Ohio State University Extension	2006
Ohio ESP Tools for Teaching Award - Newsletters, Professionally Assisted - 1st Place	2005

### **Position Statement**

A. Why would you like to be a candidate for this office?

After being an Extension Educator for over 20 years and attending more than a few NEAFCS Annual sessions, I am continuously amazed by programs, ideas, creativity, and innovativeness of my colleagues across the country. The decision to become a candidate for this position was because it would be an honor to be able to serve the amazing members of our organization.

As a member, I have gained so much from the sessions I have attended, friendships I have made, and even places I have been able to visit. I have served on sub-committees for many years and volunteered a variety of ways during the Annual Session – and will continue to do so. It is time to give back and serve in a bigger way.

The opportunity to work with other FCS professionals to share great programming nationwide would be both challenging and rewarding. Working as part of a National Board would be a new growth experience. It is time to blossom and grow!

B. If you were elected, what would be your top priority/goal for your term?

The Secretary role is all about communication, attention to detail, and timeliness. While we may be physically linked to a geographic location, as the current world situation has taught us, we can reach people from anywhere with great programs and information. It would be my goal to work with my colleagues within NEAFCS – members, committees, Board and Management Office – to keep open lines of communication about programming, policy, events, Association news, and more.

**Please email one copy of your completed application  
to the National Nominating Committee Chair (NEAFCS Immediate Past President).**

Are you willing to be considered as a candidate for a different office? The national nominating committee chair would contact you first as to your preference and willingness to serve in any other position. Yes  No  Maybe

Are you willing to leave your application on file for three (3) years in the event of a position vacancy or for reconsideration for office for the next election? Yes  No

**Your signature below confirms that you have read the current NEAFCS Policy Manual and agree to the duties and qualifications for the position in which you are applying for as well as additional policies outlined in the Manual.**

*Katharine Shumaker*

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
May 15, 2020

Date

**Letters of support and recommendation from the following individuals must accompany the application.**

- ▶ State Director of Extension (required)
- ▶ State Program Leader or immediate supervisor (one required)
- ▶ NEAFCS board member or state/territory affiliate president (optional)

**Applications are due to the National Nominating Committee Chair by May 15th.  
Please include with your application a high resolution headshot photo for the  
candidate display at Annual Session.**

*NEAFCS is an equal opportunity/affirmative action association. NEAFCS values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of race, color, gender, age, religion, national origin, disability, veteran status, or sexual orientation. Membership is not by invitation. (Strategic Plan 1993-97)*

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May 14, 2020

National Nominating Committee  
National Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences

To whom it may concern,

It gives me great pleasure to write this letter of enthusiastic support for Ms. Katharine (Kate) Shumaker, MS, RD, LD, an Extension Educator for Family & Consumer Sciences with The Ohio State University Extension in Holmes County. Kate is running for secretary for your organization, and as a previous supervisor of hers, I believe she will be a very good fit for many reasons.

As you may know, Kate graduated with a bachelor's degree in Dietetics for Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and received her Master's in Public Health Nutrition from Case Western University. She went on to join numerous committees involving these majors, including the Ohio Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, and the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (the national branch). She is currently an active member of both organizations, as well as eight other organizations and teams focused on FSC including the Healthy Holmes County Coalition/Community Health Improvement Plan, The Food Safety Team, and the Food Preservation Team. She has also provided leadership to organizations, such as serving on the Community Engagement Conference Planning Committee, as well as the Holmes County Family & Children First Council, where she provided leadership as the Vice-Chair and the Chair.

Kate served as the Chair for the Ohio JCEP Global Relations Committee for three years, and the Ohio JCEP Public Relations Committee for a year. She also was the Co-Leader for the Ohio Local Foods Signature Program. She was also on the search committee here at The Ohio State University Extension, seeding the North East Regional Director. In addition, and most notable, Kate served as the Vice President for Ohio NEAFCS affiliate in 2014, and President of the organization in 2015. Kate has received many awards in the past through NEAFCS on Food Safety and Communication, both regional and national. She also has received awards through Epsilon Sigma Phi Alpha Eta Chapter/Ohio JCEP, including for team Teaching and the Mid-Career Award. She has produced flyers and curricula that have also garnered awards through Ohio JCEP.

In her application, she states she would like to be a candidate for this office to have the opportunity to work with other FCS professionals to share great programming nationwide and to have as a growth experience. I have known Kate for nearly ten years and believe that other members nationwide would benefit from her effective leadership style, her attention to detail and commitment to moving FCS forward, and her experience, love, and passion for all things FCS. Kate would be a great asset for your organization and the field in this capacity and has my enthusiastic support. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Jacqueline Kirby Wilkins, Ph.D.  
Interim Director, OSU Extension



May 13, 2020

To: The NEAFCS National Nominating Committee

From: Pat Bebo MS, RDN

RE: Support letter for Kate Shumaker's application for Secretary of the NEAFCS National Board of Directors

Dear Nominating Committee,

Please accept this letter in support of Kate Shumaker's application for the position of Secretary of the NEAFCS National Board of Directors.

Kate is a highly respected Extension educator in Holmes County Ohio and respected leader among her peers within OSU Extension. She has long been active in support of local, regional, and state FCS initiatives, and leads the statewide Food Preservation Team for OSU FCS.

Kate's leadership experience spans beyond FCS as she has held leadership positions in Ohio JCEP, ESP and has served Extension on several internal committees. Her service to NEAFCS over the years has included multiple roles on several committees, as well as, serving in NEAFCS state affiliate leadership positions. Her commitment to the NEAFCS organization and its members is demonstrated through her long and continuous service.

I strongly support Kate's application for Secretary of the NEAFCS National Board of Directors. She would be a wonderful addition to the governing structure of NEAFCS.

Sincerely,

*Pat Bebo MS, RDN*

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May 4, 2020

Re; Katharine Shumaker

I am writing this letter on behalf of my colleague Katharine Shumaker from the Ohio State Affiliate. I have been fortunate to serve with Kate on several NEAFCS national efforts and subcommittee over the past several years.

In 2011 when the Annual Session was in Albuquerque, I was the chair of the Exhibit subcommittee. Kate and co-worker Melinda were chair elects for the Exhibit subcommittee. In 2012 Kate and Melinda worked hard on the Annual Session in Columbus Ohio serving as co- chair of the Exhibit subcommittee and other duties during the planning and the annual session itself. Kate remained active within the leadership of the Exhibit subcommittee for several years.

In my experience, Kate is efficient, organized and attentive to detail. Tasks get done with Kate was in charge! When Kate told me she was going to run for the secretary position of NEAFCS I thought it was a perfect fit for her. Kate would make a great secretary on the NEAFCS National Board. Her professional credentials speak for herself as you will see in Kate's Vita and application packet.

Every year I look forward to seeing friends at Annual Session I have made through my involvement with NEAFCS. Kate is one of those friends!

I am sorry I will not have an opportunity to serve on the National Board with Kate she will be an excellent and dedicated board member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cindy Schlenker Davies".

Cindy Schlenker Davies, MA

NMSU Bernalillo County Cooperative Extension Service  
NEAFCS Vice President of Member Resources, 2018-2020



