**Historical Report**

**President Lora Lee Frazier Howard (KY)**

**Year:** 2018

**Presidents Name:** Lora Lee Frazier Howard (KY)

**Goals for the Year:** My goals were to have open communication with the NEAFCS Board and members; to apply best solutions for the continued viability and sustainability of our association in these challenging times; to promote ownership of the association to members and encourage members to accept leadership roles.

**List of Board Meetings:**

Monthly Board meetings were hosted by Partners, the management company

Post Board September 20, 2017 Omaha, NE

Winter Board January 16-19m 2018 Tallahassee, FL

Mid - Year Board Meeting May 22-24, 2018

Pre - Board September 23, 2018 San Antonio, TX

**List of Leadership Workshops**

I attended JCEP in Orlando FL and PILD in Washington D.C. VA .

**Annual Session**

San Antonio TX September 24-27 2018

**Objectives:**

Building Capacity through People Programs and Partnerships

...Increase the ability of **People** to obtain, understand and act on research-based information.

…Showcase excellence in innovative **programs** to meet the needs of individuals, families and communities.

…Provide opportunities to strengthen **Partnerships** that lead to an integrated response to emerging national and global issues.

**Preconference Workshops**

Forget Your Number: Sarah Kirby, PhD, Debra Sellers, PhD, Naomi Meinertz

Health for All: Addressing Diversity in Cooperative Extension Ninfa Pena-Purcell, PhD

Disasters Happen: How the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN) can help FCS programs make an impact with Emergency Preparedness Programming from preparation to recovery: Rick Griffiths, M.ED, Monty Dozier, PhD, Noel M. Estwick, PhD, Abby Hostetler, Beverly Samuel, Elizabeth Kiss, PhD, Joyce McGarry, MS

**Guest/Speakers**

Dr. Douglas Steele, Director of International Extension Programs for the Norman Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture: Opening Keynote

Kristen Schell, Author; The Turquoise Table: Closing General Session Keynote

Caroline Crocoll, the Director of the National Institute of Food & Agriculture’s Division of Family and Consumer Sciences

JCEP Representatives Trudy Rice of the National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals (NACDEP) and Casey Mull of the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA)

The Welcome Event was held at La Villita a historical visitor and shopping center.

Dr. Douglas Steele was selected as the Friend of NEAFCS.

We had a total of 890 registered for the annual session.

We used an app for Annual Session and offered Ignite and World Café opportunities for programming.

Dues were $100.00.

**Membership**

We had 1746 active members, 1166 life members, 10 partner members, and 4 student members.

We provided 25 scholarships to JCEP Leadership Conference, 5 First Timers scholarships to the 2018 Annual Session. We had 9 entries in the Creative Excellence Award. We developed a promotional video this year.

We had 38 attend the JCEP Leadership Conference and 49 attended PILD.

**Highlights**

Highlights of the 2018 year.

We distributed the first set of NEAFCS membership pins at JCEP in 2018.

A total of $21,700.00 in registration scholarships benefitted 88 national winners to attend the 2018 Annual Session.

The 2018 year was the last year that JCEP offered the Creative Excellence Award. JCEP asked NEAFCS to decide on an award that JCEP could sponsor for $250 for the 2019 Awards Program. The money will be used toward the Innovative Programming Award. JCEP will be a co-sponsor.

The Annual Session handbook was reorganized to be more concise and clear. The content was not changed. We had the Annual Session App for the second year. Annual Session participants seemed to enjoy the app.

The Pre 85th NEAFCS Anniversary Celebration committee was convened and we hosted the celebration at Annual Session in Texas.

The Annual Session in 2018 was the first year we hosted the Ignite/World Café segment as well as concurrent sessions.

We provided scholarships for members to attend JCEP and increased scholarships for members to attend PILD.

We used 1/3 of the 2017 Annual Session revenue to give back to members. We provided support for affiliate presidents to attend annual session (1 per affiliate), speaker stipend/reimbursement, and the first time attendee scholarships.

A promotional video was developed for NEAFCS by our Management Company.