

**Kansas Committee of Farm Bureau Women
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 19, 2009**

Committee members met in Private Dining A & B at Kansas Farm Bureau's state headquarters in Manhattan.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Helen called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. Members in attendance were: Helen Norris, Marilyn Martin, Lois Moss, Gay Beth Moore, Karma Michael, Jennifer Brunkow, Susan Long, Signe Barnes, Brenda Dooley and Marjorie Cartmill. KFB Staff members Holly Higgins and Serita Blankenship were also present. Susan May was unable to attend due to illness.

Invocation - Marjorie gave the invocation.

Minutes – Minutes from the August 7, 2009 meeting were reviewed. *Jennifer moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Susan L. and unanimously approved by the committee.*

Communications - AFBF sent a plaque for 100% participation in the Challenge Award.

Resolutions Report - Gay Beth reported that the Resolutions Committee spent a lot of time going over the results from the Listening Posts. Women's committee members reported attendance at their local listening posts was between three and 50 people.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Food Check-Out Week – The National FCOW activity will be held in Wichita, Feb 22 & 23, 2010. AFBF staff, National Women's Leadership Committee members, Kansas Women's Committee members and other volunteers will be involved in the activities.

Helen and state staff will meet with the principals from both schools on December 1 to discuss the activities. Members of the AFBF Women's Leadership Committee would like this committee to go to the Walton Charter School in Walton and the AFBF group to go to Chisholm Elementary School in Wichita on Tuesday, February 23.

On Monday, February 22 Sedgwick County and KFB volunteers will shop in one group and AFBF will shop in another group. The plan is that one group will shop and deliver to one Ronald McDonald house and the other group will shop and deliver to the other Ronald McDonald House in Wichita.

February 22, 2010 (Monday):

Ronald McDonald House shopping in the morning and Wal-Mart stations (5 ea) in the afternoon. The AFBF Women's Committee will work the stations and the KFB Women's Committee will hand out literature. Marjorie, Brenda, Signe, Lois,

Susan L., Jennifer, Karma and Gay Beth plan to attend. Participants will wear KFB jackets.

February 23, 2010 (Tuesday):

Walton Ag Charter School activities planned. Marjorie, Brenda, Signe, Lois, Karma, Gay Beth and Jennifer can attend.

K-1 – Karma & Marjorie

2 – 3 – Jennifer & Signe & Lois

4-5 – Gay Beth & Brenda

Keep in mind that the budget will play a role and we will need to know who will need a room. If you would like a roommate, please let us know when requesting a room.

Walton has approximately 25 students per grade level and the presentations can be done all at once or whatever will work best.

Be Ag Wise - *The Farmer Grows a Rainbow* lesson plans will be presented. Cathy Musick will present the *The Main Course (overview)* and 3rd grade lesson plans. The following committee members volunteered to present lesson plans for grades 4 & 5 as follows:

Manhattan – Jennifer both grades

Emporia – Helen and Susan Long

Colby – Gay Beth & Marilyn

Garden City – Holly (maybe Gay Beth)

KFB Annual Meeting – Schedules are in packets.

Silent Auction - Marjorie, Marilyn, Lois and Karma will help on Saturday morning.

The Women's workshop, ***Food Check-Out Week: Working to Promote Agriculture to Consumers***, begins at 9:30 a.m. on Friday. Committee members will practice that presentation immediately following this meeting.

AFBF Annual Meeting - Gay Beth is going to ask her district to send her to AFBF as a voting delegate in Seattle.

Women's Voting Delegates will be: Helen, Lois, Susan, Brenda, Signe, Susan May and Gay Beth Moore.

Women Managing the Farm – Helen shared a print-out of the “conference at a glance” and talked about some of the speakers and the sessions they expect to present. The conference is February 5-6, 2010 at the Hyatt in Wichita.

KFB Women's Conf – The Women's Leadership Conference will be held April 13 & 14, 2010. Conferees will be able to select which workshops to attend.

Women's Committee members would like to see the following types of programs offered at the conference:

- Spokesperson training.
- Letter's to the editor and writing training in general.
- Terry Holdren w/ hot points.
- New ag education training.
- Training on how to present FCOW stations in grocery stores.
- Social Media training.
- Basic Social Media (individual stations for hands on training).

Helen would like this committee to meet on Saturday during lunch following the voting delegate session at the KFB Annual Meeting.

Committee members checked their calendars and scheduled the following meetings:

April 12, 2010 – Plan to meet in Manhattan at 1:00 p.m. prior to the Women's Leadership Conference. Brenda indicated that she will not be able to attend.

August 16-17, 2010 – Plan to meet in Wichita on Monday and tour Exploration Place on Tuesday.

The meeting concluded at 3:40 p.m., followed by a workshop rehearsal.

**Kansas Committee of Farm Bureau Women
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Saturday, November 21, 2009**

Committee members met in the Open Conference Area at Kansas Farm Bureau's state headquarters in Manhattan.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Members in attendance were: Helen Norris, Marilyn Martin, Lois Moss, Karma Michael, Jennifer Brunkow, Signe Barnes, Brenda Dooley and Marjorie Cartmill.

FCOW Workshop - Good comments, do again next year. Comments about printed education cards were discussed.

Districts not having lunch didn't seem to be a big deal. The committee talked about the possibility of having district meeting women's meetings. It was pointed out that this is not in our budget.

Comment on Friday night banquet.

Leadership Conference – registration fee approximately \$65 – ask county org to help pay.