

ESP Executive Committee Meeting
February 2, 2006
Windham Hotel, Colorado Springs

Members Present: Dan Fernandez, Ann Hall, Bill Nobles, Kipp Nye and Ruth Willson.

Meeting opened at 12:30 p.m.

Agenda included discussion of money that was left over from the National ESP Conference which is estimated to be approximately \$3,500. Dan will request a financial summary from the National Conference. Kipp will check to see if decisions about how to spend the money needs to go back to the Council.

Ideas of how to use the money included:

- Professional Development Scholarships – need to fill out an application. Request input from Laurel Kubin.
- \$100 stipends to help ESP members attend the National ESP meeting.
- Sponsor speaker at Forum – possibly Monday of Forum.
- Piggyback current state Professional Development process. Example: if ESP member requests \$500 from the state, add additional \$100/\$150 to ESP members. There is currently an application process – have an additional application when ESP member requests funds.
- Propose Professional Development Scholarships using \$2000 of the fund.
- Fund speaker for ESP luncheon. Need to ask for two hours from the Forum committee. Suggested resources for speakers included Deryl Waldren, Jan Carroll, Dale Leidheiser and Kathy Wolfe. Need something outside of Extension that will provide motivation to the members.

Ann Hall suggested new members pay \$20 (or cheaper) to join ESP. New members currently pay \$30. Possibly just charge new members the cost of National dues for two years.

Professional Improvement – need to meet with Laurel to get ideas. Dan will discuss with the Executive Committee ideas that are suggested.

There are currently \$1,000 scholarships offered from National ESP.

More visibility for ESP was discussed. Need to find ways to market ESP. Offer incentives to join. What is the benefit of joining ESP?

Dan Fernandez will ask for volunteers for Bulletin Boards to be displayed at Annual Forum.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10.

