Welcome
The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by MACEDEP President Bev Maltsberger


Approval of Minutes and Treasurer's Report
Connie Mefford, Association Secretary/Treasurer presented the minutes from the last full Association Meeting from October 6, 2010 and Executive meeting held on September 9, 2011 for approval. No corrections or additions were presented so Tony Delong moved and it was seconded by Kathy Macomber that the minutes stand approved. Connie also presented the association financial report. As of November 1st, 2011 the ending balance in the account is $1,852.93.

Old Business
There was no old business to address.

New Business
Bev reported to the association members that as part of the chapter agreement with NACDEP, our association was to collect national dues as well as our local chapter dues from our members. Therefore, Tish moved that we request that NACDEP dues be added to the UMEA and Professional Association Membership Form and be collected along with all other association dues prior to Galaxy. Georgia seconded the motion and motion passed.

Bev asked Richard Proffer, North Central NACDEP Representative, to give a report on NACDEP activities. Richard reported that Missouri had increased its visibility by having member representation on every national committee. Dean Larkin also had an article published in the NACDEP Newsletter. Richard stated that there had been some discussion about CDS and NACDEP holding a joint conference sometime in the future. There has also been some discussion on NACDEP starting its own professional Journal to assist members with the NTT process.

November 4th is the last day to submit proposals for presentations to NACDEP.

Report from our Program Director
Mary Leuci stated that she had chaired the presentations review committee for NACDEP for the last several years and if anyone is unsure about what kind of presentation that they are looking for, be sure to let her or a
member of the state staff know and they will work with you to make sure that the way you write up your proposal will fit with their guidelines.

Mary Leuci also reported that the North Central Region Center for Rural Development is accepting grant applications until January 10th. Maximum amount that can be applied for is $20,000. Mary also wanted to encourage members to take advantage of some great webinars available on the eXtension website.

Mary reported that there are two CIM Legislative workshops scheduled through December to assist legislators in addressing public community issues within their districts.

CD is also interviewing finalists for a community arts specialist as part of a cost proposal that will engage MU arts faculty and students with extension and local communities (initially within 60-90 mi radius of Columbia) on Nov 17 and 18.

CD has held a 25 year partnership with the University of Western Cap in South Africa and is organizing a faculty exchange program. Tish Johnson will be heading up this effort starting in the spring of 2012 and part of her focus will be the development of a joint curriculum to train community leaders.

Tony Delong gave an update on the MAC IT Committee meeting. 59 counties do not have a website and want Extensions support for developing a template.

**Elections**

Bev expressed appreciate to her fellow officers for all their support. Then she presented the slate of nominees for next year’s officers.

Past – President – Bev Maltsberger  
President – Chris Shoemaker  
Vice-President – Connie Mefford  
Secretary/Treasurer – Meredith Berry

Tony Delong moved that nominations cease. Tish seconded. Bev called for a vote and the slate of officers for 2012 was approved.

**Awards**

*Excellence in Team Work Award – Richard Proffer, Dean Larkin and Sharon Gulick*

SET – Stronger Economies Together Program. A big challenge for Missouri rural communities is the need to work together regionally instead of individually to achieve sustained economic growth. This entry created an environment of broadened potential synergies that would have otherwise been overlooked. The resulting regional economic plan provided an integrative approach to assessing, composing and executing a regional effort to capitalize on regional efforts and complied with the stated goals of the groups involved.
The applicants worked with the regional teams to: 1) develop a vision shared among the leaders while allowing a diverse stakeholder group to come together & be focused on achieving the common goal; 2) provide a venue for collaboration between different perspectives & public policy groups; 3) show leaders how their work effects a larger picture & how together they are stronger than acting alone and 4) create a regional economic development plan.

**Educational Technology Award 2011 – Tish Johnson**

Association Website Update - The original UECRDA web site was not serving much use to the organization. The design and format were outdated and somewhat clunky, and there was very little dynamic content. In talking to members it became clear that the web site wasn't even on their radar, and about the only time anyone went looking for it was to find meeting minutes or an award nomination form. Therefore, a new web site was unveiled in early 2011. The design is intended to convey that the organization has a relationship with the University of Missouri and yet it is a separate entity.

The content of the web site has also changed; two new pages are adding value to the site for members. The "Opportunities" page is a one-stop-shop for professional development, providing information about career builders, presenting at national meetings, professional development financing and awards, recognition, and sharpening skills.

The newest addition is "Our Social Media," This provides a listing of social media used by members to promote and communicate their work. This listing, which doesn't exist anywhere else, allows members to 'tune in' to the work of colleagues and gain ideas on how we can effectively use this rapidly evolving communication strategy.

In addition to the new pages links have been added to national organizations, and a calendar of upcoming major events (i.e. state and national conferences) appears conveniently on the home page. Overall the new site has the cleaner, less cluttered appearance favored by professional web sites today.

**MACEDEP Distinguished Service Award – Georgia Stuart-Simmons**

One letter of support for this nominee stated they first worked together over a quarter of a century ago when fostering a homeless coalition. They immediately recognized the skills and professionalism brought to those efforts and how the was very much in tune with community development processes and organizational development capacity building.

Fast forward almost twenty years to once again to be able to work the nominee upon returning to Missouri Extension. This time I witnessed involvement in capacity building efforts in heritage tourism and the development of a hospitality curriculum.

As a trained moderator in public deliberation, this MU Extension Specialist has been part of training others and has partnered locally to conduct forums on and ethnic tensions, globalization, health care, educational achievement gap, land use-each expanding perspectives and engaging people in positive civil discourse.
Along with being a presenter at national professional Association meetings also found the time to chair a $200,000 church building committee addition completed debt free, chairs the administrative council, teaches Sunday school, is a local church group officer as well as a 4-H volunteer, past club leader and current project leader.

**Congratulations to this year’s Award winners!!**

Richard Proffer presented Bev Maltsberger with the outgoing president’s award.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:20 p.m.