Extension Council Meeting Minutes January 2026

Clark, Crawford, and Edgar Counties

Date: January 22, 2026

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Clark County Extension Office, Marshall, IL

Members Present

Cliff Macke, Nancee Snedeker, Christine Hilliard, Dru Shotts, Doug Roberts, Kim Ross

Staff Present

Susan Sloop, Jennifer Bishop, Jaylynn Schober

Guest

Michelle Bennett, Wabash Valley United Way

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Susan Sloop.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve: Cliff Macke. Second: Nancee Snedeker. Motion carried.

3. Introductions of Council Members

Council members introduced themselves, sharing their county representation and connections to local agriculture, youth programming, and community organizations.

4. Introduction of New Council Members

New members were welcomed and provided brief introductions. Staff emphasized the advisory role of the council.

5. Election of Officers

Doug Roberts self-nominated for Chair, seconded by Christine Hilliard. All approved. Doug Roberts nominated Christine Hilliard for Co-Chair, seconded by Dru Shotts. All approved. Chair: Doug Roberts. Co-Chair: Christine Hilliard.

6. Open Meetings Act Training Requirement

The council discussed the Open Meetings Act training requirement.

7. Staffing Update

Staff shared updates on staffing and programming efforts.

8. Reaching New Audiences / Meeting Community Needs / Connections

Michelle Bennett discussed partnership opportunities. Extension received a Mental Health Grant for school programming. The 'Mindful Me' curriculum supports youth mental health. Members brainstormed partners including schools, libraries, and community organizations.

9. Public Input

No additional public input was received.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 AM.

Next Meeting

May 28, 2026 at 9:00 AM