

Unit 27 Council Meeting
 December 11, 2025
 11:00a.m. – 1:00 pm

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by County Director Johnson at 11:21am. Verbal introductions were made around the table and name cards were placed before each attendee. **Civil rights information slips and meeting sign-in sheet were circulated around the room.**

Council members present:

Alexander/Pulaski	Johnson	Massac	Union
Shawna Rhine Denna Williams Curtis Marshall	Raymond Bieri Chesley Williams	Tracie Key Orlando McReynolds	Kristen Cameron Kendell Boysen Ruby Lingle Chuck Weilmuenster

Staff present: County Director Jody Johnson, John Shadowens, Kristi Stout, Vickie Taylor, Dena Wood, Erin Garrett, Kaylee Leach, Monica Meyer, Barb Britton

Meeting minutes from September 18, 2025, were reviewed. Motion made by Chuck Weilmuenster and seconded by Curtis Marshall to approve prior minutes. Motion carried.

Council Business

- 9 Council members are completing their terms in December. replacements were discussed and named, and council members were encouraged to submit recommendations. Brianna Daily (youth), Don Patton, Natalie Sawyer and Harry Brockus are appointed to Council for 2026. Vacant seats to be filled by future appointments.
- Certificates of appreciation were given to Council Members attending their final meeting.
- A term structure from fiscal-year terms to calendar-year terms was discussed to better align with reporting and appointment cycles.
- 2026 Membership

<u>JOHNSON</u> Raymond Bieri Evan Coulson Brianna Daily (YOUTH) Kylie Vaughn (YOUTH)	<u>MASSAC</u> Tracie Key VACANT Don Robbins VACANT
<u>PULASKI/ALEXANDER</u> Curtis Marshall Don Patton Natalie Sawyer Patricia Wilson	<u>UNION</u> Harry Brockus VACANT VACANT VACANT

- Elect Officers
 - Nomination made by County Director Johnson for Curtis Marshall to serve as President.
 - Nomination made by County Director Johnson for Evan Coulson to serve as Vice-President.
 - Nomination made by County Director Johnson for Tracie Key to serve as Secretary.
 - Nomination made by County Director Johnson for Patricia Wilson to serve as Financial Reporter.

Motion made by Ruby Lingle to approve all nominations, seconded by Denna Williams. Motion carried. Brief discussion was held to acknowledge and approve Ruby Lingle to sign forms to send to campus with officer designations.

Extension Board members

- Each County Board is to appoint someone to the Extension Board; County Director Johnson will work with all five counties to have their appointments made. Officers from Unit Council are asked to serve on Extension Board, two male and two female are preferred. Nomination made by County Director Johnson for Curtis Marshall, Evan Coulson, Tracie Key and Patricia Wilson to serve and motion seconded by Chuck Weilmuenster. The next Extension Board meeting will be February 19, prior to the Unit Council meeting.
- County Extension Director Report
 - Plan of Work priorities and emerging community issues were discussed.
 - Budget status and fiscal considerations were discussed and balances for each account reviewed.
 - Budget for FY27 was briefly discussed and will be reviewed more thoroughly with Extension Board in February.
 - Civil Rights compliance and efforts to reach underserved audiences were discussed and Council was advised of monthly reminders of topics provided to staff each month.
 - General operations updates, including facilities, staffing vacancies, and administrative matters were given by County Director Johnson.
 - Members had the opportunity to ask clarifying questions and provide input.
- Unit Reports
 - 4-H Youth Development staff – Slide show and video presentation given and updates provided in person by staff.
 - NREE – Written and in person reports were provided
 - SNAP/INEP staff – Written reports were provided
 - CED – Written and in person reports were provided

Dates and Times of future council meetings

- February 19, 2026 @ Vienna - 11am-1pm (NREE)
- May 21, 2026 @ Vienna - 11am-1pm (CED)
- September _____, 2026 @ Vienna – 11am-1pm (4-H)
- December _____, 2026 @ Vienna – 11am-1pm (NREE)

Motion to adjourn made by Raymond Bieri and seconded by Chesley Williams. No objections, meeting adjourned at 12:48pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Monica Meyer

Unit 27 - Office Support Specialist

For Unit 27 Unit Council secretary, Chesley Williams