University of Illinois Extension Council
March 22, 2020
Minutes

1. Call to Order
   • Roll Call: Carrie McKillip, Tessa Hobbs-Curley, Julian Inniss, Lisa Torrance, Shelby Carlson, Angel Wright, Devone Eurales, Kishor Kapale, Mary Mowen, Krissy Conklen, Blake Sullivan, Chris Enroth, Maryann Carlson, Karen Cole, Erica Smith, and Nancy Kucharz

2. Public Comment*
   • Presentation by Knox FTC Robotics Group, the groups talked about skills to develop for future careers and public speaking skills to gain confidence and learn gracious professionalism that you can use the workforce. Videos were shown about how well the robot works. Coaches and team members wanted to take time to thank 4-H for all the support.

3. General
   • Approval of January Minutes; Karen Cole moved seconded by Mary Mowen. Motion carried and January Minutes approved.
   • Fiscal Reports FY 2021– January/February: No state monies from this year, some from last year.
   • Staffing Updates
     i. Dr Ryan Hobson is retiring April 1, 2021, Janice McCoy is going to be interim regional director. Office support Vicki Jackson will be retiring June 30. She will take a six month break to work as needed, if we need her to help with special projects. Warren County will be open 3 days a week and Henderson County 2 days a week, Monday & Friday in Henderson and Tuesday-Thursday in Warren. Our secretary Dianna will be going between offices.
   • Council Reports- None at this time
   • Staff Reports: Shelby reported, career shadow with Warren and Henderson County high school juniors. Shelby is doing an ag, health and trade series. Twenty-five professionals and one-hundred students have been working together. Welcome to the Real World schools have worked with Shelby on a case by case basis. Knoxville, and Abingdon/Avon have been working with Shelby. Fair planning has begun and preparing to work with COVID regulations and the fair books are ready to go out. Shelby will be going to a 3 day youth mental health first aid class. She and Tessa Hobbs-Curley have been working with farm mental health. 4-H staff will be meeting virtually and Shelby is working at the state level on projects.
Chris Enroth is working on pollinator webinars and they have received a ginger grant to work on growing ginger in Illinois. Teachers are working with Chris on moodle to work on school gardening and growing. Growing season has started and lots of questions from the public.

Tessa Hobbs-Curley- Working on “In the moment” working on tip sheets that parents or those professionals working with youth on social emotional learning and issues. Happy Healthy Providers K-12 providers CEC for professionals. Tessa is part of a committee on campus for mental health first aid and working on grants to provide for classes to train individuals to provide mental health services for those that work on a farm or other agricultural professions.

Sharing stories about a person’s legacy. Illinois department of aging that are working on a series for resilience. Carrie and Tessa are working with in Henderson County through the health department on youth mental health first aid.

Carrie- Not for Profit Disaster workshop and doing virtual site visits with the not for profits in the area. Carrie and her coworker Russell are learning to adapt to this and virtual setting and looking forward to meeting in person again. Remote work is being done to certify communities to work on an economic plan to attract remote workers. Statewide Promotions Committee and have to go through everyone who is up for promotion. Continue to be the national chair of EDEN.

Lisa: Hispanic outreach programming, and Macomb racial and social justice issues training. Training on human resources certification and Lisa is retaking classes to personally stay updated. Along with civil rights reviews. Calendar was emailed to committee members to update on programming needs. Virtual RoadShow is 1-3 on March 29. Committee members are encouraged to listen in and learn how Extension is working through COVID and other current programming.

Lisa is continuing to work on the civil rights review and budgets. In May will be the budget meeting and council meeting.

**Added to the meeting Jill Cook will be added to the signature card in Henderson County. Motion was made by Erica Smith and seconded by Karen Cole and motion passed.**

4. Old Business
   - Updates on Extension Office Protocols/County Office Staffing
   - Invitation to Virtual Road Show

5. New Business
   - Civil Rights Review
     - Online Open Meetings Act Training
   - Budget Process
6. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2021 in Warren County/Zoom. We will be having an additional meeting that evening with the Extension Board. More information to follow.

Karen Cole moved to adjourn and seconded by Erica Kucharz meeting adjourned at 7:15pm