

**Unit 14 Extension Council
January 19, 2022
Minutes**

- Call to Order – President, Jan Terry called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
Members present: Dan Stupavsky, Jan Terry, Sean Park, Jake Foy, Nicole Schaffnit, Annabelle Schaffnit, Julia Cieslewicz, Laura Bergman, Dr. Andrea Hanson
Members attending via Zoom: Javier Lofton, Patsy Davis, Brandy Kirby, Courtney Kirby
Staff present: Shelby Crow, Katie Parker, Akinwale Akingbule
- Council Member Introductions – council members each introduced themselves with a brief intro.
- Approval of Minutes – minutes were emailed in advance and distributed during the meeting. Dan made a motion to approve the minutes. Laura seconded. All approved. Motion carried.
- Financial Report – Guest, Harry Clore, Director of Finance, Illinois Extension. Harry gave a presentation to council members on the various funding sources for Illinois Extension. He outlined the various sources of income and detailed the requirements associated with each. Council members were able to ask questions for further clarification.
- Illinois Extension Updates
 - Program Updates
 - Akinwale gave an update on the HEAT project for Schuyler county.
 - Katie promoted upcoming ag programs for council members, including Annie’s Project, set to start on February 3 in Hancock county.
 - Staff Updates
 - Betsy Kempe left her position as the Adams 4-H program coordinator in December. Shelby updated members that a replacement is in the works.
 - Sheri Merry is on medical leave currently. Questions should be forwarded to Shelby until further notice.
 - Natural Resources Educator – Amy Lefringhouse will start her role as the first ever Unit 14 Natural Resources Educator. She will attend future meetings and will provide program updates as she outlines her plan of work.

- Civil Rights – Shelby asked that Council Members continue to share information on new and underserved audiences with Shelby for programming opportunities. Akinwale’s work with the HEAT project is a great example of reaching a new audience in Schuyler county.
- Update Signatures for In & Out Accounts - Shelby requested that the signatories be updated with Betsy’s departure. A slate was proposed to the council as follows:

Barb Casady
Jennie Castlebury
Shelby Crow
Dr. Andrea Hanson
Katie Parker
Whitney McKeown
Dawn Weinberg

Sean made a motion to approve the list for signatures for the In & Out Accounts. Dan Stupavsky seconded. All Approved. Motion Carried.

- Other Business
- Next meeting date & location – Shelby will send proposed dates for the March meeting via email.
- Jake made a motion to adjourn. Nicole seconded. All Approved. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.