

Unit 22 Extension Council meeting was held on Monday, September 23, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 6:45pm by Brian Mueller-Chairman.

Members Present: Brian Mueller, Raeleen Neary, Janella Neary, April Rottmann, Nicki Rinderer, Adam Mestemacher, Justin Knobloch, Claire Dorsey, Rosemary Dorsey, Nancy Henss, & Wilbon Anthony

Staff Members Present: Pam Jacobs, Katina Galati & Angie Abernathy

All members and new staff introduced themselves

The November minutes were reviewed silently by all. No additions or corrections. Justin K. made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Nancy H. Motion carried, a vote was taken, all ayes.

Reports:

- Extension State Advisory Committee-Brian M. plans to attend the upcoming October meeting. Pam J. spoke about the history of HB-2264 and the changes that were needed and were made.
  - House Bill 2264-filed by Rep. Charles Meier was signed into law. The fiscal year 2019 state monies have not been received to date.
- Staffing Update
  - Pam introduced new staff members, Katina Galati & Angie Abernathy
  - Nathan Johanning, the new Commercial Agriculture Educator will begin November 1.

Programming Update

- Pam provided a Unit 22 Mid Year program report.
  - 4-H Teen Council Member reports:
    - Janella . reported on the Monroe County Fair and State Fair participation
    - Claire D. reported on her experience showing livestock and 4-H livestock camp
  - Underserved programming opportunities: Pam reported that in June, the U of I Provost, ACES Dean, Extension Director, Regional Dir. as well as Pam, Amy Funk and Sarah Ruth, met with Jackie Joyner Kersee and the JJK Foundaiton members to discuss and sign a Memorandum of Intent to increase educational programming. Pam spoke about how Extension will be more involved with the Jackie Joyner-Kersee Center. SNAP has started an after school cooking program. Katina will be meeting with the new JJK Program Director when that process is complete. Adam spoke about the life skills programs offered at the Center. Rachel taught the Welcome to the Real World program to participants this summer. The College of ACES is interested for more local food and agriculture programming at the Center. Three state 4-H specialists recently met with several JJK Center staff to share and discuss educational programming information.
- Extension facilities report
  - Pam reported that EFNEP moved across the parking lot from the previous location to a new site. This occurred on August 15. As of last week, the phone system was implemented and working as well as the security system. This site is bigger than the previous office. EFNEP now has the opportunity to increase Community Workers. The EFNEP Educator job has been vacant for one year and will be housed in that office. Interviews for the EFNEP Educator position will be held, September 25, 2019.
- Unit Financial Report

- Pam provided a final FY19 fiscal report which showed additional FY18 state match monies and zero FY19 match money. Pam explained that additional money came from the State which were then divided for Unit budgets.
- Brian M asked about the discretion of Extension and how they decide how much goes to each unit. Pam J. explained that there is an allocation formula to keep things as fair as possible. Justin K. asked if the previous years state match monies are caught up? Pam answered that no, there were a couple of years when we did not receive all the match money. Pam then reviewed the Smith-Lever funds for the new members. Unit 22 has used all but about \$5000 of the Smith-Lever funds for last fiscal year. New federal budget starts October 1.
- Pam gave an overview of the FY20 budget worksheet. EPC stands for Extension Program Coordinator. This line item is supporting the salary increase which the EPC staff recently received. Extension implemented this for every unit this year (FY20) which came from “special state monies”. Pam reported that Paige will complete the budget worksheet with the Smith-Lever dollars included and send it to the council members.

#### Business

- New council members, Adam Mestemacher, Wilbon Anthony, and Rosemary & Claire Dorsey. Motion to accept new members was made by April R, seconded by Nikki R. Vote taken, all ayes, members approved.
  - Remember to complete the Open Meeting Act training  
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- In & Out Account signature approval: motion as made by Justin K. to accept Pamela Jacobs., Sarah Ruth, Elizabeth Wahle, and Raeleen Neary for approval of signatures on banking account. Seconded by Wilbon A. All ayes, motion passes.

#### Election of officers:

- Nomination for Chairman: Brian Mueller nominated by Rosemary D, he accepted, closed nominations, April R. made a motion, seconded by Adam M. Vote taken, all ayes.
- Nomination for Vice Chairman: Justin Knobloch nominated by Brian Mueller, he accepted, closed nominations, Nancy H. made a motion, seconded by Adam M. Vote taken, all ayes.
- Nomination for Secretary: April Rottman nominated by Raeleen N, she accepted, closed nominations, Adam M. made a motion, seconded by Nikki R. Vote taken, all ayes.

#### Other Business

- Foundation support through fundraising
  - Monroe County has Harvest Night Dinner & Auction on November 19
  - Madison County to change their trivia night to February

Next meeting is Monday, November 25 at 6:45 at the Extension office in Collinsville.

Brian thanked all for coming and sharing their thoughts and ideas.

April R. made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Justin K. Motion carried, vote was taken, all ayes.