## **ILLINOIS** Extension

## Unit 19 Council Meeting

April 8, 2021 from 12:00 to 1:00pm Location: Zoom

- I. Jess called the meeting to order at 12:05PM
- II. Council Member Roll Call- Sean Breen, Jess Knearem, Sheldon Raber, Grant Wade, Beth Williamson,
  Also in attendance at the meeting: Pam Vaughan-Sturgeon (staff), Cheri Burcham (staff), Kim Morrison (staff),
  Susan Stollard (staff), Penny Hood (staff), Diana Litteral (staff), Gary Gergeni (CB), Gail Mason (CB),
- III. Approval of March 11, 2021 Meeting Minutes- Sheldon Raber makes motion to approve, motion seconded by BethWilliamson. Motion carries unanimously.
  - a. December 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes Grant Wade makes motion to approve, motion seconded by Beth Williamson. Motion carries unanimously.
- IV. Welcome and Introductions of Members and Guests
- V. Extension Updates: County Director, Pam Vaughan-Sturgeon
  - a. Fiscal
    - i. Account balances for end of 2020
      - 1. Trust Account \$762, 410
      - 2. Self-Supporting Account \$50,548
        - a. Without travel and without many in-person events, expenses are low
  - b. Personnel
    - i. Possibility of a visiting snap-ed educator, nothing firm yet, more details to come.
  - c. Facilities
    - i. Pam will send an email to cover this and other details.
- VI. Education
  - a. Youth Development Kim Morrison, Educator
    - i. Moving forward with plans for in-person fairs this year. Virtual exhibits from last year just weren't the same. Adapting a model with guidelines from IPDH and U of I, as well as the IL 4H office.
      - 1. Many judges and volunteers fall into the higher risk population, so plans are occurring with everyone's safety in mind.
      - 2. Will have a few camps (limited) this summer.
  - b. Family Life Cheri Burcham, Educator
    - i. See Cheri's written report
    - ii. Trivia Activity for Spring: State Birds
    - iii. First in-person lesson recently in Shelbyville with 6 in-person attending. Virtual will continue for the time being.
    - iv. 24 Lesson Curriculum: "Wits Workout" aka "Wits Wellness"

- 1. Family Life Educators Team received a Grant to make this lesson evidence based. This is done through pre/post evaluations to show the curriculum's effectiveness.
- v. Working on workshops for farmers relating to farm stress.
- VII. Old Business
  - a. None
- VIII. New Business
  - a. Extension Council Agreement
    - i. See the referenced document
  - b. Plans for Next Year
    - i. Hopefully we can have some in-person meetings in the Fall. Jess's term as chairperson is ending, but she will remain on the council.
      - 1. Will hopefully offer remote access into the future for those who may not be able to travel.
  - c. Extension Council Members
    - i. Will need to recruit some new board members heading into the fall.

## IX. Other Items?

- a. Recognition of Outgoing Members
  - i. Julia Miller's term is ending thanks to her for participating!
- b. Further meetings
  - i. There will be additional meetings available for greater learning about the extension council. These will be optional, not required.
- X. Adjournment- Beth Williamson moves to adjourn meeting, Sean Breen seconds, motion carries unanimously.
  Meeting adjourned at 1:12PM.

## Next Meeting: Fall 2021, Details TBD