



Illinois Extension

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Unit 26 Extension Council Meeting
Meeting #2 of 4
Theme: 4-H Youth Development

Tuesday, December 6, 2022
Jackson County Extension Office
402 Ava Road, Murphysboro
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

Members present: Paula Brockman, Gail Johnston, Michele Cross, Brianna Walsh, Amy Epplin, Larry Alvarado
Staff members present: Lynn Heins, Carrie Eldridge, Ramona Girtman, Becky Needham, Reed Capps, Cindy Bauman, Jackson County 4-H Youth

Call to Order – Lynn Heins called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Highlights from Jackson County 4-H Youth – Three Jackson County 4-H members shared their 4-H story and how 4-H has helped shape their future.

Welcome and Ice Breaker – Lynn Heins provided an ice breaker question.

Minutes – The minutes were reviewed.

Financial Report – The financial report was reviewed.

Unit Updates – Lynn provided some unit updates relating to staffing and budget.

Program Updates from 4-H Team – Each 4-H team member provided a verbal report about recent program highlights.

Youth-focused Needs Assessment – Carrie Eldridge led a short needs assessment relating to issues around youth.

Key Informant Brainstorm & Assignments – The council brainstormed potential key informants, and were asked to conduct one interview as part of the larger issue-focused needs assessment that all Extension staff are completing in 2023. The goal is to have interviews complete by February 3, 2023.

Gail offered to interview Becky Salazar and Kandi Wallace, both from EAAA. Paula volunteered to interview Anna Jurich and Rick Sarensen. She also suggested the names Will Lo, Eric Gayer and Paula Meinert. Michele offered to interview Alison Knop.

Next Council Meeting

Location: Jackson County Extension Office

Date: Tuesday, January 10, 2023

Time: 6 – 8 p.m.

Theme: Agriculture & Agribusiness, Natural Resources, Energy & Environment

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.