



**University of Illinois Extension  
Sangamon, Menard, and Logan County Council  
June 20, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.  
Sangamon Office**

Present:

David Mendenhall, Jill Keeton, Lynn Chard, Jim Struebing, and Interim County Director Aaron Dufelmeier.

Absent:

Tyler Ayers, Brenda Buyckles, Eli Klokkenga, Jim Oller, Joe Stambaugh, Mike Starasta, Tony DelGiorno, Ed Whitcomb Jr., Robert Farmer, Charles Ruben

Unit #16 of the University of Illinois Extension Council met June 20 at the Sangamon County Extension Office.

Aaron welcomed the council members present from the unit. Aaron asked that each member of the group introduce himself or herself and share their connection to Extension. Each member shared his or her interest in Extension programming as well as some personal information to get to know each other better. As interim County Director, Aaron shared a little background information about himself and answered several council member's questions.

Aaron distributed program highlights or snapshots created by staff within the respective program areas.

Aaron then addressed the importance of affirmative action and civil rights compliance; he asked that council be cognizant of the programming needs of minority groups and all underserved audiences within our counties. We talked about current programming in the unit that reach minority and underserved members in our communities. He asked our members to continue to provide feedback and recommendations to our unit staff on ways to determine and address the needs of all members of our counties and communities. He then shared the 2017 Civil Rights Review report and talked about the recommendations made to the unit following the review.

Council members discussed the County Director position. Aaron shared that there were some excellent candidates and that Dr. Hobson would soon be making an offer.

Council members then discussed upcoming programs and activities, the FY18 Budget and agreements, as well as the facility leases and standing purchase orders for the unit.

Aaron shared that he had been in conversation with two potential Extension Council member recruits and that he would provide their contact information with the new County Director.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.