

# NW Regional Extension Council

Oct. 19, 2006 Agenda  
7:30 p.m., Northwest Region Office  
706 S. Woodbine, Ste. A, St. Joseph  
**(Minutes in bold)**

1. **Call to Order**—Kendall Misemer, Chair
  - a. **In absence of secretary, Tonja Moss recorded minutes.**

2. **Introduction of Guests**
  - a. **Barb Casady, Director of Development**

3. **Roll Call of Members**

**Council Representatives (9 counties)**

**Richard Barrett, Holt  
Greg Biermann, Holt  
Tom Hare, Andrew  
Leon Hicks, Harrison  
Kendell Misemer, Gentry  
Tonja Moss, Livingston  
Bud Motsinger, Caldwell  
Alan Kapp, DeKalb  
Ray Schwarz, Clinton  
Jayla Smith, Daviess  
Kenneth Vogt, Andrew  
Sandy Sands, NW State Council**

**Regional Faculty and Staff**

**Jim Humphrey  
Jim Crawford  
Bob Kelly  
Kevin Hansen  
Rebecca Simpson  
Jerry Baker  
Karma Metzgar**

4. **30-45 Minute Program Feature**—*County Council Resource Development*



Barb Casady, Director of Development, University of Missouri Extension—Columbia

**Barb shared information about extension endowments. She provided each county in attendance with the balance and purpose of the endowment/gift fund for that county. The principal of all Northwest region counties as of 9/3/06 was \$596,124.12. Gentry County is the only county extension council that does not have a pending or funded endowment or spendable account. She also provided a “Questions about County Extension Endowments” handout for those attending. Her office provides answers to help with county endowments. She is interested in visiting with individual counties if CPDs wish to set up a meeting.**

5. **Additions or revisions to agenda**
  - a. **Ray Schwarz requested to have discussion on judging of all state fair exhibits added to the agenda. Added to new business.**
6. **Minutes from previous meeting (enclosed and posted on the web at [http://extension.missouri.edu/nwregion/Agendas\\_Minutes/Agenda-Minutes.shtml](http://extension.missouri.edu/nwregion/Agendas_Minutes/Agenda-Minutes.shtml))**

- a. **Bud Motsinger moved to approve minutes. Tom Hare seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- 7. **University of Missouri Extension State Council Board—Sandy Sands, NW Representative**
  - a. **Staff shortages are being addressed. The Mizzou Flagship Council is interested in making presentations to extension councils, regional councils, etc. Extension is included.**
  - b. **The State Council has been working on a strategic planning white paper to present to Dr. Ouart, Director of Extension, upon his arrival Dec. 1**
  - c. **Missouri Legislative Network is proposing a \$3 million request for extension.**

## **8. Regional Director Update**

- a. Program Coverage—position updates
  - i. Released for filling
    - 1. Business Development (Holt)--(interviewing candidates)
    - 2. Agronomy (Harrison)—(materials reviews in near future)
  - ii. Statewide program coverage model and results for the NW Region
    - 1. Rate and cost positions (explain difference)
      - a. **Rate positions are those that are budgeted for annually.**
      - b. **Cost positions are new 3-year contract positions that are being allocated for some regions to address program needs. These are being paid for from “savings” which results from positions being vacant during recruitment processes, program changes, etc.**
- 2. Review guiding principles for region and goals (handout of map)
  - a. Suggestions for location of two rate and one cost position in the region.
    - i. **If we could add one HES, Youth, ANR or Business position—where would it be the best location and discipline? This question was asked of the regional council tonight and regional specialists at their staff meeting on Oct. 17. As this agenda item was discussed, maps were reviewed and the specialists’ suggestion shared. The guidance of the regional council is helpful to regional director as budgets and program priorities will be evaluated before final placement of positions. (The following are in no particular order).**
    - ii. **HES position—Leon Hicks moved to accept the staff suggestion of Family Financial Education Specialist on the east side of the region. Jayla Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. (no county specified)**
    - iii. **Business—Jayla moved to explore Business Specialist in the Cameron area as it has the greatest need. Bud seconded the motion. Motion carried.(no county specified)**
    - iv. **Youth—Leon moved to accept the staff suggestion of Livingston County for 4-H Youth Specialist position. Jayla seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

- v. **Agriculture—Bud moved to support the staff recommendation of an Ag Business Specialist in Nodaway County. Leon seconded the motion. Motion carried. If opportunity exists in the future, additional agriculture faculty needed in Agronomy (Caldwell County) and Ag Engineering (DeKalb/Caldwell).**
- iii. Youth Program Assistant/Associate Resource Allocation and Staffing Model Regional Considerations (update)
  - 1. **Committee will meet November 14.**
- b. Other Administrative News
  - i. **Dr. Michael Ouart is the new Vice Provost and Director of Extension effective Dec. 1.**
  - ii. **A new web-based planning and reporting system is being implemented.**
  - iii. **Attended the MU Alumni Association in St. Joseph. Dr. Jim Coleman was speaker and mentioned extension's impact in Buchanan County.**
  - iv. **Legislator to Campus project was discussed. Suggestions for legislators to participate and hosting council members were suggested. Karma will provide to the planning committee.**
  - v. **Members of administration are interested in attending annual meetings. Let Karma know if you want your county's date added to the list.**

**9. Old Business (none)**

**10. New Business**

- a. **Judging of all state fair exhibits—Ray Schwarz**
  - i. **Ray shared with those in attendance the concern that all projects should be competitive judged at state fair, not just certain projects.**
  - ii. **There was discussion and Ray asked if other county councils were concerned to contact the regional office.**
  - iii. **Karma shared information from Dr. Jo Turner on the topic. Karma said she felt if there was interest, a study committee would be appointed to explore the pros and cons of competitive judging at the state fair. Those interested should contact Karma.**

**11. Future Meeting Dates--quarterly 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of Jan., April, July and October.**

- a. **January 18th, 2007—program and location suggestion.**
  - i. **Discussion held about location and time. Consensus was to meet at the regional office at 7 p.m. (On Dec. 26, 2006, letter sent to regional council representatives indicating that for 2007 meetings will be in Feb., May and August due to scheduling conflicts).**
- b. **April 19, 2007—program and location suggestion.**

**12. Adjourn**

- a. **Tom moved to adjourn the meeting. Leon seconded. Meeting adjourned.**