

NW Regional Extension Council

Meetings are held the third Thursday of February, May, August and November

Thursday, Aug. 20, 2009—7:30 p.m.

- ✓ **Northwest Region Office**, 706 S. Woodbine, Suite A, St. Joseph
- ✓ **Princeton High School**, 1008 Coleman, Princeton, MO
Site Host--Marsha Shew, Mercer County Extension Chair
- ✓ **Frey Administrative Center**, NCMC—Mable St., Trenton
Site Host--Tim Baker, Grundy County Program Director

Richard Barrett (Holt), Chair John Murphy (DeKalb), Vice Chair Jayla Smith (Daviess), Secretary
State Council, Sandy Sands (at large), Jan Schwarz (Clinton), Alternate
Officers April to April/May meeting)

Agenda with Minutes

1. **Call to Order**—Richard Barrett, Chair
2. **Introduction of Guests --Rep. Mike Thomson**
3. **Roll Call of Members**

Council Representatives (7 of 15 counties)

Richard Barrett, Holt
Sam Carneal, Andrew
Jerry Creason, Caldwell
Kendell Misemer, Gentry
Marsha Shew, Mercer (ITV)
Kirk Search, Nodaway
Jayla Smith, Daviess
Sandy Sands, NW State Board Rep.

Regional Faculty and Staff

Janet Hackert, Harrison, CPD (ITV)
Tim Baker, Grundy, CPD (ITV)
Wilson Majee, Mercer (ITV)
Kevin Hansen, Caldwell/Livingston, CPD (ITV)
Jim Humphrey, Andrew
Jim Crawford, Atchison, CPD
Becky Simpson, Daviess, CPD
Jerry Baker, Worth, CPD
Karma Metzgar, Regional Director

2 participated from Trenton via ITV
3 participated from Princeton via ITV

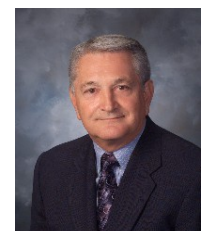
A certificate of appreciation was presented to Kendall Misemer for his leadership as chair of the regional council from 1992 to 2009.

4. **Additions or revisions to agenda --None**
5. **Minutes from previous meeting (Feb. 09)** (enclosed and posted on the web at http://extension.missouri.edu/nwregion/Agendas_Minutes/Agenda-Minutes.shtml)

Sam Carneal moved to accept the minutes as printed. Kirk Search seconded the motion. Motion carried.

6. **Program Feature—30 to 45 minutes**
 - a. **Rep. Mike Thomson, District 4, Maryville spoke about issues he faces in his leadership roles. Rep. Thomson has the following committee responsibilities:**

Education Appropriations Committee - Chairman
Higher Education Committee - Vice-Chairman



Rep. Thomson's comments indicated he has learned a great deal about extension over the past year. He said at one point he received 50 e-mails an hour and learned quickly how valuable extension was to the people. He said that communicating effectively with legislators starts with positive e-mails. He also acknowledged that his support staff "knows everything" and building relationships with them also is key. He shared that it was very difficult to meet all the expectations of the constituents in his district. He welcomed anyone to contact him.

7. University of Missouri Extension State Council—Sandy Sands, NW Representative

a. News from your state council

- i. 2010 Budget—update on status
- ii. Council to Campus—June 19 and 20—Kirk Search, Nodaway County will report
Attending: Jim Rothermich (Mercer), Kirk Search (Nodaway), Jayla Smith (Davies), Sara Weidner (Livingston—State 4-H Council representative to state council), Karma Metzgar, Regional Director

Kirk Search reported on the event. Several guest speakers and programs he really enjoyed. Those mentioned were Frank Fillo with Cooperative Media Group; Sen. Kirk Schaffer (e-mail is best communication method); Dr. Tom Henderson, workshops attended were on robotics, regional cuisine, energy, botanical tour, Master Gardeners. Our youth representative on the state council, Sara Weidner did a great job.

- b. Other –Sandy participates in state council meetings by phone. Budget message is Extension should be treated like all other higher education institutions. Supporting the career ladder for faculty.

8. Regional Director Update (handout was provided)

- a. Administrative Update
- b. Strategic Planning for Smarter Delivery of Programming—a Pilot
- c. Prioritizing Positions—position and program updates
 - i. Released for filling
 1. Business Development—PTAC (candidate reviews on Aug. 19)
 2. YPA position in Gentry County released for fill
 - ii. Positions which remain frozen
 1. Administrative Associate in regional office, Rick Smith, accepted the 4-H LIFE YPA position effective July 13, 2009
 2. Housing Specialist—Dave Davis has announced retirement Sept. 1, 2009
 3. Nutrition and Health Education Specialist—Karen From has announced resignation effective November 6, 2009.
- d. Fee program rollout
- e. 2010 Census
- f. Other

9. Old Business

- a. **Legislative Communications and Communicating about Programs in the Northwest Region**
 - i. **Regional newsletter update**

The regional newsletter mailing list has been updated to include the elected officials (county and state)—home address was used however, after listening to Rep. Thomson, we will also send to the support staff of the legislators.

10. New Business

a. An Introduction to Guidelines for Generation and Use of Fees for MU Extension

The Fee Generation process was briefly explained by Karma Metzgar, Regional Director. The slides will be shown at the November meeting since the program went longer than anticipated.

Councils are encouraged to ask CPDs to include the fee information at an upcoming council meeting. A PowerPoint is available through the regional director.

11. Future Meeting Dates--quarterly 3rd Thursday of February, May, August and November

a. Next Meeting—Nov. 19, 2009—program, agenda items

i. Method—how many ITV locations?—Princeton yes; Trenton ?

12. Announcements

Field Days—Graves Chapple—Aug. 25; Hundley-Whaley, Aug. 26

13. Adjourn—Jayla Smith moved to adjourn the meeting until 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 19, 2009. Motion seconded by Sam Carneal. Motion carried.

Jayla Smith, Secretary