Minutes of the  
Barton County University of Missouri Extension Council

Established October 1, 1961 the purpose of Barton County University of Missouri Extension Council is to oversee educational programs and improve local citizen’s lives by addressing their highest priorities through the application of research-based knowledge and resources.

The Barton County University of Missouri Extension Council was called to order by Chairman Sondra Smith on Monday, October 6, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

**Council members present:**
Leisa Blanchard  
Clifford Blanchard  
Lynn Calton  
Paul Crabtree  
Dean McKibben  
Jesse Medlin  
Joyce Moser  
Ed Patterson  
Sondra Smith  
Barb Thrasher  
Dennis Wilson  
Charlie Winslow

**Council members absent:**
Sherry Keith  
Chad McCulloch  
Roger Mayfield  
Susan Roland  
Clark Wood

**Council members excused:**
Lendi Davis  
Marshall Miller  
Dale Robertson

**Youth Representative absent:**
Lydia Kaume  
Jill Scheidt  
Theresa Dalby

**Youth Representative excused:**
Elaine Davis  
Denise Hodson

**Staff present:**
Kathy Macomber  
Lydia Kaume  
Jill Scheidt  
Theresa Dalby

**Staff Reports**
Kathy Macomber reported she has been busy with Healthy Nevada projects, facilitating Jasper County APR, and preparing for Annual Extension Conference.

Lydia Kaume reported she has been presenting “Move Smart and Eat Smart” programs in Springfield and Monett, continues to work with the refugee population in Noel and is part of team working on curriculum dealing with men’s health issues.

Jill Scheidt reported the crop scouting program is drawing to a close, she provides maintenance at the Lamar weather station, supervised a yield harvest contest in Barton County and attended a Regional Grazing School training.

Elaine Davis reported she is visiting the 4-H clubs as the new 4-H year is beginning, the annual 4-H supplement honoring National 4-H Week will be in the Lamar Democrat this week and Youth EXCEL at Lamar High School is going well. Elaine announced that 4-H enrollment is online only this year.

Tony Morgan reported about Missouri Community Betterment visit.
Theresa Dalby reported she continues to work with Good Samaritan and “Eating from the Garden” with AOK. After meeting with principals and nurses at local schools, she now has Lamar East Primary, Lamar West Elementary and Lockwood schools signed up for the spring semester.

Denise Hodson reported normal activities for the month of September and proctored 2 tests for MSSU.

**Review and Approval of Business**

Minutes for September 4, 2014 were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Barb Thrasher to accept the minutes with corrections and seconded by Charlie Winslow. Motion carried.

Financial Report and Travel were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Leisa Blanchard to accept the financial report and travel and seconded by Jesse Medlin. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

A. **YPA County Council agreement**

Jesse Medlin made a motion to accept the YPA County Council agreement for 2015. MU Extension will pay for ½ of the YPA position and Barton County Extension Council will pay the other ½. Charlie Winslow seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**New Business**

A. **Set date for Secretary evaluation**

The Executive Committee, CPD and secretary will meet at 6:30 p.m. on November 3.

B. **2015 Election candidates**

Nominees for the 2015 Council election were discussed and the following names were suggested and council members volunteered to contact them.

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<td>1. Paul Crabtree</td>
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<td>5. Linda Madison – Sondra Smith</td>
<td>5. Mary Kuhn – Leisa Blanchard</td>
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<td>7. Stacy Endicott – Theresa Dalby</td>
<td>7. John Lawrence – Clifford Blanchard</td>
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Extras:
Eric Lawrence

Names in **Bold** agreed to be a nominee during the meeting. The rest will be contacted before next council meeting.
C. 4-H issue
Elaine Davis reported to the Extension Council that it was brought to her attention that a local 4-H member that had won the Grand Champion Steer at the Missouri State Fair had been disqualified by the Missouri State Fair. The State Fair has asked the individual to stop promoting the steer as a State Fair Grand Champion and all the revenue from said animal would be returned to donors. This family has displayed the ribbons and plaque locally during 4-H Week, which is contrary to the Missouri State Fair request. Elaine has contacted the family to remove the items from display, but her request has not been acted upon. Elaine asked the council for advice on how to handle situation as this reflections on Barton County 4-H and all local 4-H members.

After much discussion, Dean McKibben made the motion to send the family a letter from the Barton County Extension Council; signed by Sondra Smith, Extension Council chair and Bob McNary, Youth Specialist assigned to Barton County, asking them to comply with the Missouri State Fair regulation to desist promoting the steer as a Grand Champion and remove the ribbons and other State Fair items from display. Jesse Medlin seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Copy of registered letter sent is attached.)

Announcements
No announcements.

Sondra Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Next council meeting will be Monday, November 3 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Moser, Secretary