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, February 2, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Council members present:
Leisa Blanchard
Clifford Blanchard
Lynn Calton
Paul Crabtree
Lendi Davis
Dean McKibben
Roger Mayfield
Jesse Medlin
Marshall Miller
Joyce Moser
Ed Patterson
Dale Robertson
Susan Roland
Sondra Smith
Barb Thrasher
Dennis Wilson
Charlie Winslow
Clark Wood

Council members absent:
Sherry Keith
Chad McCulloch

Youth Representative excused:
Tony Morgan

Staff present:
Kathy Macomber
Lydia Kaume
Jill Scheidt
Theresa Dalby
Elaine Davis
Denise Hodson

Staff Reports
Kathy Macomber reported she has been busy with Healthy Nevada meetings, preparations are beginning to fill the Nutrition Specialist position and she attended NELD training in Chicago for four days.

Lydia Kaume reported she taught four nutrition workshops in McDonald County, continues to work on curriculum development for men and a Missouri Foundation for Health grant was received for the work in McDonald County with foreign-born peoples. Lydia also thanked everyone for the nice reception and that she has enjoyed her time in Barton County.

Jill Scheidt reported the Farm Estate Planning class was well attended, she has been working with Mark Jenner, Ag Business Specialist, providing Farm Bill computer workshops and the Crop Scouting program enrollment is starting. Soils & Crops Conference will be next Tuesday.

Elaine Davis reported she led two training sessions at Member Leader Training in Neosho and Niangua and Debbie Little has been the guest speaker for the Lamar High School EXCEL group. Elaine informed the council that the state 4-H Online enrollment system is working well.
Theresa Dalby reported she is teaching at Liberal Elementary, Golden City Elementary, Golden City Head Start and Immanuel Lutheran School in Lockwood. She is assisting Jasper and Newton county NPAs with “Eating Smart Being Active” classes in Joplin.

Denise Hodson reported that 2015 ballots were mailed, Quick Books were closed for the year, the 2014 Annual Report was completed and mailed to the Regional Director, and the office inventory was updated. She also continues to update the county webpages.

**Review and Approval of Business**

Minutes for December 1, 2014 were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Leisa Blanchard to accept the minutes and seconded by Charlie Winslow. Motion carried.

Financial Report and Travel were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Dean McKibben to accept the financial report and travel and seconded by Dale Robertson. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

A. **2015 Election Results**

The Executive Committee met prior to the meeting and counted the ballots. The following election winners were announced:

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B. **2015 Appropriations report**

Kathy Macomber reported that the 2015 Appropriations for 2015 is $81,000, which is what was requested. The Council was very appreciative for the County Commissioners support of MU Extension in Barton County.

**New Business**

A. **Annual Meeting plans**

Sondra Smith announced the Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 24, 6:30 pm at the First Baptist Church in Lamar. Rob Kallenbach, University of Missouri professor of plant sciences and MU Extension forage specialist received the 2014 National Excellence in Extension Award, will be the guest speaker.

Sondra Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Next full council meeting will be Monday, March 2, 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Moser, Secretary