

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.

I. Call to Order

The Barton County University of Missouri Extension Council was called to order by Chairman Lee Howard on Monday, March 7, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Council members present:

Clifford Blanchard
Paul Crabtree
Judy Gastel
Lee Howard
Eric Lawrence
Roger Mayfield
Kathy Pace
Ed Patterson
Dale Robertson
Sondra Smith
Barb Thrasher
Dennis Wilson
Charlie Winslow

Council members absent:

Lynn Calton
Marshall Miller
Bradley Morgan
Belinda Shoff

Council members excused:

Ted Frieden
Chad McCulloch

Staff present:

Kathy Macomber
Lindsey Stevenson
Jill Scheidt
Elaine Davis
Theresa Dalby
Denise Hodson

II. Staff Reports

Kathy Macomber reported she has participated in the Economic Development meetings that are working on developing strategies. She facilitated a meeting for the Food Council and participated in a webinar held with Healthy Nevada and Scotland Rural University. She attended the Family Wellness Fair in Noel.

Jill Scheidt reported that the Soils & Crops program went well and she has held Private Pesticide Applicator Training in Barton, Dade and Jasper counties. The 2016 Crop Scouting messages will be starting this week.

Lindsey Stevenson reported that she completing a "Stay Strong Stay Healthy" class. She presented a program for Lamar High School EXCEL and simple exercise program at the Soils and Crops meeting. Lindsey is working with the Barton County Health Department on a "Healthy Living" campaign.

Elaine Davis reported the “Marshall, the Miracle Dog” program in Liberal Middle School is going well. The Barton County 4-H Teen Leaders will be co-hosts for the Youth Leadership Summit this month. Elaine also reported that Barton County 4-H is on the waiting list for the Presidential Inaugural trip.

Theresa Dalby reported she has been presenting “Eat Smart Be Active” at Economic Security. She has also been assisting Lindsey with “Cooking Matter with Kids” at Lamar United Methodist Church.

Denise Hodson reported she mailed invitations for the Annual Meeting along with regular monthly activities. She also updated the results of the 2016 council elections on the extension council webpage. Several updates and changes were made to the county webpage.

III. Election of Officers

Ed Patterson made a motion to keep the following officers for the new year ---

Chair	Lee Howard
Vice-Chair	Charlie Winslow
Secretary	Kathy Pace

Eric Lawrence seconded the motion, Motion carried.

Sondra Smith made a motion to elect Barb Thrasher as Treasurer. Paul Crabtree seconded the motion. Motion carried.

As Council Chair, Lee Howard has the authority to notify US Bank to drop Jesse Medlin and to add Barb Thrasher to the Barton County Extension Council account.

IV. Council Training

Kathy Macomber provided council training, “Orientation for New & Returning Council Members.”

V. Review and Approval of Business

Minutes for February 1, 2016 were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Charlie Winslow to accept the minutes and seconded by Ed Patterson. Motion carried.

Financial Report and Travel were members reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Paul Crabtree to accept the financial report and travel and seconded by Eric Lawrence. Motion carried.

VI. Old Business

A. Annual Meeting report

There were approximately 90 in attendance. Everyone enjoyed the speaker, Lynzee Flores. The meal was delicious.

VII. New Business

A. 2016 State Fair Farm Family

The Paul Crabtree family was the alternate for 2015. Missouri Farm Bureau is a co-sponsor of this event. It was suggested that Barton County Farm Bureau be contacted for nominees. Paul Crabtree will contact Farm Bureau and report at the next council meeting.

B. 2016 Program Committees

A sign-up sheet was passed around for council members to choose which committee they would like be on. 2016 Committees include: Agronomy, HES, Community Development and 4-H.

C. 2016 Meeting dates

A list of the 2016 Meeting dates was given to each council member.

D. Staff Information

A list of the local Barton County Extension staff and their contact information was given to each council member.

E. Permission form

A Permission information form was passed out to each council member to complete.

VIII. Announcements

Lee Howard encouraged council members to review the “Reaching Out” report for Upcoming Events.

IX. Executive Session

Dale Robertson made a motion to go into Executive Session for staff evaluations, Eric Lawrence seconded the motion. Motion carried.

XI. Adjourn

Lee Howard adjourned the meeting after concluding the Executive Session.

Next full council meeting will be Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Pace, Secretary