

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, April 3, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Council members present:

Jason Frieden
Gerry Garrett
Judy Gastel
Lee Howard
Chad McCulloch
Bradley Morgan
Ed Patterson
Ben Reed
Caleb Robertson
Sondra Smith
Barb Thrasher

Council members absent:

Clifford Blanchard
Paul Crabtree
Lynn Calton
Russell Massa
Roger Mayfield
Marshall Miller
Kathy Pace

Council members excused:

Amanda Robertson
Belinda Shoff

Staff present:

Jill Scheidt
Lindsey Stevenson
Elaine Davis
Denise Hodson

Youth Representative absent:

Clayton Winslow

II. Staff Reports

Lee Howard encouraged council members to read Kathy Macomber's report; she was out of town for training.

Jill Scheidt reported she is done with Pesticide Applicator trainings. She made a presentation to the EXCEL class at Lamar High School and has been busy the past few weeks helping with Wildfire Relief Efforts, which will be delivered to Kansas farmers next week.

Lindsey Stevenson reported she has been busy with "Stay Strong Stay Healthy" and "Cooking Matters" classes. She has also visited several area schools measuring walking tracks. Lindsey announced to the council that there would a "2nd Annual Summer Lovin" Health Challenge beginning on May 11.

Elaine Davis reported she has finished the "Character Critter" program at Lamar Head Start and Teen Leaders held a 5K run/walk at the Lamar City Park. She also took three Barton County youth to the State Teen Conference.

Theresa Dalby reported she is busy with local schools providing “Show Me Nutrition”, “Eating from the Garden”, and “Healthy Change” lessons. She went a Food Pantry tour to Ava and Seymour and found it very interesting and helpful.

Denise Hodson reported the webpage has been updated weekly and things are ready for the weekly crop scouting reports. She also informed the council that this had been a busy month with soil tests and was out of the office for 5 days.

III. Council Training

Jill Scheidt showed a video explaining MU Extension and information on what a “land grant” university was and their mission to the local citizens. She also gave an overview of staff in the Southwest Region.

IV. Review and Approval of Business

Minutes for March 6, 2017 were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Ben Reed to accept the minutes with correction and seconded by Ed Patterson. Motion carried.

Financial Report and Travel were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Gerry Garrett to accept the financial report and travel and seconded by Sondra Smith. Motion carried.

V. Old Business

A. 2017 State Fair Farm Family

It was reported the Chad McCulloch family has accepted the nomination to be the Barton County Farm Family representative for 2017.

VI. New Business

There was no new business

VII. Announcements

Next council meeting is Monday, May 1 at 7:30 pm.

VIII. Executive Session

Sondra Smith made a motion to go into Executive Session, Jason Frieden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IX. Adjourn

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Pace, Secretary