

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, February 6, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Council members present:

Clifford Blanchard
Jason Frieden
Judy Gastel
Lee Howard
Eric Lawrence
Roger Mayfield
Bradley Morgan
Kathy Pace
Ed Patterson
Ben Reed
Dale Robertson
Belinda Shoff
Sondra Smith
Barb Thrasher

Council members absent:

Paul Crabtree
Lynn Calton
Ted Frieden
Chad McCulloch
Marshall Miller
Charlie Winslow

Youth Representative absent:

Clayton Winslow

Staff present:

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

II. Staff Reports

Kathy Macomber reported she has been busy working USDA and local communities on a regional economic development plan. She continues to assist with a visioning project at Noel, MO and participated in an assessment planning meeting at PSU for Act 4 Food.

Jill Scheidt reported she is gearing up for the 2017 Crop Scouting program. She has been busy with ag meetings and teaching classes for Master Gardeners trainings and programs.

Lindsey Stevenson reported the Holiday Food Preservation classes were successful and she provided a Eat Smart in Parks program for concessionaires. She has several programs scheduled in the next couple of months.

Elaine Davis reported she attended a Reed Springs City Council meeting to assist with building a teen leaders group. She reported on the Merry Christmas Project of collecting hats, gloves and scarfs. The Barton County 4-H delegation that attended the Presidential Inauguration had a good time and they are anxious to make a presentation at the Annual Meeting.

Theresa Dalby reported she continues to provide programs at the Liberal After School program, Lamar Head Start, Lamar East Primary, Lamar Senior Citizens center, Dadeville Elementary school, Dade County OACAC and Act 4 Food meeting.

Denise Hodson reported she will be closing Quick Books in the next couple of days. The Annual Report is complete and county webpage has been updated through the month.

III. Review and Approval of Business

Minutes for December 5, 2016 were reviewed by council members. Motion was made by Belinda Shoff 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 Dale Robertson to accept the financial report and travel and seconded by Eric Lawrence. Motion carried.

IV. Old Business

A. 2017 Council election results

District I

Russel Massa
Bradley Morgan
Amanda Robertson
Caleb Robertson

District II

Gerry Garrett
Lee Howard
Kathy Pace
Belinda Shoff

B. 2017 Appropriations report

Kathy Macomber reported that the Barton County Commissioners had approved \$82,000 for 2017.

V. New Business

A. Annual Meeting plans

Lee Howard announced that our Annual Meeting is Monday, February 27, 6:30 pm at First Baptist Church, Lamar. The program will be presented by Barton County 4-H members who attended the Presidential Inauguration.

B. Legislative Day

Kathy Macomber announced that Legislative Day is Tuesday, February 28 at Jefferson City.

VI. Council Training

Kathy Macomber provided economic data overview about Barton County. Council members found the presentation informative.

VII. Announcements

Lee Howard announced that the council would go into executive session at the March meeting to do faculty evaluation for the year. He handed out the evaluation tool so members could acquaint themselves with it prior to the meeting.

Next council meeting is Monday, March 6 at 7:30 pm.

VIII. Executive Session

IX. Adjourn

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Pace, Secretary