

Boone County Extension Council Minutes April 25, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by president, John Sam Williamson. Pledge to the American flag was recited collectively. Meeting 'Revised' agenda was approved, as distributed. Attendance log was passed with quorum present.

Minutes were reviewed. Colleen Wegener moved to accept, seconded by Odie Swanegan.

Treasures report presented by Tommy Sallee. There was discussion regarding payroll, increase in contract services due to increased need for snow removal. Discussion regarding the Senior 4-H Council income with restrictions regarding which part of their income be utilized for YPA salary.

Committee reports:

- Building and Grounds committee requested for \$10,000 approval for funds to start working on several larger projects, ie parking lot repair/ resurfacing, fence around new air conditioners, signage, water softener and water heater. It was brought to the committees' attention tonight that the large copier will need to be replaced with further discussion regarding this topic to be addressed at the May meeting. Jill Edwards, seconded the proposed committee request for funds. Passed by voice vote. Two evening work days are set for May 2nd and May 13th from 6 to 8 pm.
- Human Resources committee met with Darrell Smith presenting that Faith, office secretary, raise of 50 cents hourly be retroactive to January 2019. This proposed salary increase to \$14.50 per hour had already been included in the budget for 2019. Motion was seconded by Colleen Wegener, unanimously passed by voice vote. Also discussed updates needed to the Personnel Policy. Tish is working with other counties for collaboration to potentially provide medical insurance at lower rate. Faith will be seeking additional training in Word Smith, Accounting, and QuickBooks.
- Mid-Mo Expo committee member Jill Edwards discussed the flow of the Expo from Set-Up on Friday 4:30 pm and Saturday 7 am. Volunteers are needed and welcome. Boone County Cattleman's will be providing lunches of burgers, chips and drink for \$10. The minimum amount of meals required is 150 meals, anything less than the goal will be reimbursed by Extension. Excitement with the youth involvement from working demonstrations, Robot demonstrations. It was encouraged for members to share and publicize on social media.
- Town and County Committee didn't meet, however the State Fair Farm Family recommendation by Kent Shannon, of the Jeff and Glenda Deshon family, as they were the alternate for 2018.

4-H Senior Council Report by Tina Gladbach. Different club leaders will be rotating through the Extension Council meetings monthly.

- The YPA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will continue through August 31, 2019. The MOU may be discontinued with a 30-day notice.
- The 4-H BBQ income was increased to \$10,000, which includes silent auction items donated by 4-H membership. The council has differing opinions regarding the youth silent auction items income being utilized for YPA salary. The 4-H BBQ has been scheduled for April 18, 2020.

Program reports:

- Ag Engineer report by Kent presented by paper report. Spring Master Naturalist class with 22 participants, through May 15th. Strip Trial program continues.
- 4-H update by John Shackelford by paper report with planned SMQA at the Mid-Mo Expo. Camp training and leadership conferences are ongoing. Janet Love recently attended the Youth Civic Leadership Conference. John to attend a Mental Health First Aid training next week. Encouraging 4-H Alumni to attend Alumni Camp at Clover Point on June 14-15th.
- Community and Economic Development specialist, Tish Johnson presented with ongoing dialogues with schools, downtown merchants, cultural competency programs, MU summit program for October and MU to YOU. Ongoing planning regarding Bicentennial celebration.
- Family Nutrition Education Program:
 - Kelly Rich paper report. Eight different sites with activity with a total of 257 participants.
 - Sandra Zapata with paper report with 5 schools and total of 345 participants.
 - Liz Harrison of Howard County/ also CES of Howard County reported on several meetings and working on the Clary-Shy AG Park Grand opening. Upcoming programs on Diabetes self-care, chronic disease self management program, Cooking Matters for Adults in Fayette and Food Preservation with OSHER.

Old Business:

- Boone County YPA funding through end of August, \$10,000 with 4-H Senior Council discussion ongoing about the duration for financial support of the YPA, as stated on the MOU.
- Partnership potential increase between the Extension Council volunteers, potentially increasing fundraising by selling tickets along with 4-H youth. The question arose regarding offering a vegetarian option at the BBQ.
- MU to You event attended by Steve, Sharon, Jill and Tish with an emphasis on state-wide connectivity. Encouraged involvement in local and state events.

- Mid-Mo Expo: The location of Battle High School is in the 3rd ward with local county government and city politicians invited. Silent Auction item will be accepted until Saturday morning. Steve Callas emphasized that the event will be ZERO waste event.

New Business:

- Steve Callas read the “International Compost Awareness Week Resolution” for the week of May 5 to 11th. The focus is to ‘cool the climate’ by composting. Compost is key to soil health, which will mitigate climate change, returning nutrients to the soil, capturing carbon from the atmosphere, resisting drought and disease with increased fresh air production. Motion was made, seconded and passed with voice vote unanimously.
 - A food drop-off on May 7th at Capen Park for compostable food scraps all day.
 - 1st and 3rd Saturday there is recyclable drop off for paint, batteries, tires, chemicals by the Power Plant off East Business Loop 70.
- Boone County Bicentennial plans with information available at the Mid-Mo Expo. Input is requested for a mural with historical significance. There are ongoing listening sessions in the county.
- Roger Morrison Memorial scholarship fund with balance of \$200. No details currently for the donation use.
- Vicky Miserez and Bill Carter will be gifting the Boone County Extension office with a nice original painting, along with the recent Agri-Business Dinner Volunteer award.

Upcoming dates were discussed with Tish, John Sam and Marcia to attend the NE Regional Council meeting in Macon, if others are interested reach out to Tish or John Sam. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Mid-Mo Expo.

Motion was made, seconded and passed with voice vote for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Beckett, Secretary.