University of Missouri Extension State Council
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Capitol Plaza Hotel
Jefferson City, MO

Council Members Region Administration & Guests

Carl Allison South West X Tom Henderson Interim Vice Provost & Dir
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Glenn Coleman West Central X Jim Snider Consultant X
Ronda Elfrink South East X Sarah Denkler UMEA Liaison X
Allen Garner Urban West Tracy Feller Dir of Constituent Relations X
Anita Hampton West Central Alex Engeman 4-H Youth Liaison
Dolores Howard East Central X Nathan Smith 4-H Youth Liaison X
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Sallie Jo Potter North West X Robert Mitchell Regional Chair X
H.C. Russell North East Mrs. Mitchell Guest X
Bev Schenkel North West ? Anderson Regional Chair X
Vern Windsor Urban West Julie Scott Regional Chair X
Urban East Courtney Kawelaske Sr Mgr External Relations X

Meeting called to order by Anita – 4:00pm

Introductions

Approval of Agenda
Sallie Jo Potter moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Vern Windsor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes
Ronda Elfrink moved to approve the February minutes; seconded by Carl Allison. Motion carried.

State Council Executive Committee Report – Dolores Howard – no report
New Business
Development Update – Cat Comley Adams – Role with extension is seeking opportunities for funding. 1.3 Billion comprehensive campaign. Spoke about article in philanthropy magazine of how Mizzou looks now. Have hopes that recent activities will be short lived. Good news - Extension is having best year ever now. Raised 15.3 M. Had committed to 15MM. Projection might reach 20 Million.

Nominating Committee – Anita Hampton – Have committee in place (Sallie Jo Potter, Ed Mobley, HC Russell and Bev Schenkel (chair). If you want to serve as an officer, please let them know.

Old Business
Legislative Day –
Tracy - Agenda – note that ISE will be held in the morning. Overview of schedule for tomorrow. Make sure you are familiar with layout of everything. Sent special invitation to all legislators for breakfast.

Tony – Numbers for Legislative Day are up. Somewhere around 340 MU Extension attendees. Great numbers. Extension is very well liked so that is good. Tell 4-H youth tomorrow how much we appreciate them coming.
Booths – good handouts from nutrition. Interactive and educational. Handed out sheets for signups at the capital to direct people to appropriate areas and to greet people. Courtney asked people to be sure to touch base with legislators about times you are meeting to make sure times are still good. Discussion on meetings and what to expect.

State Council Website – Tracy Feller,
Toolbox will launch. Take a look and see what you think. Tool box for elected officials is starting next.

Public Issue Leadership Development (PILD) – Tracy Feller - hosting legislative reception to educate (Caret). PILD coming up afterwards in April, visit house and senate in D.C. and then report back. Have representatives from several organizations and groups.

County Council Term Limits – Allen Garner – Handed out House bill proposal. 4/4/1. Can stagger local member instead of trying to find people all at the same time. Tony doing research on other offices that have 4 year terms. Nothing to do at this point. Just review and will discuss further at other meetings.

Extension Council’s Legislative Bill – Tony DeLong - Tom and Tony went before the committee. Answered questions and now moving forward. Courtney – 1 more step before it goes to the floor. Should be done before Spring break.

Administrative updates
Tom Henderson – sent out note earlier about situation in regarding violence. Setting up seminars for staff and employees for information on what to do in violent or dangerous situations. Will be sending out dates and times soon. Important to validate staff and faculty.
• Retirement meetings – next one March 15. (changes being put into place)
• 5% decrease in budget (assumption) - part of that was about 900 fewer students. 2% increase in budget (probably evaporated). Maybe more like 13-1500 few students. 20 Million short fall. Could be as much as 35 million. Could possibly be more like 7-8% decrease. Extension would be somewhere around 2%. May be looking at 3 million being cut out of budget for next year. Will be going back to books and looking at where money can be saved and held back. Will keep us posted but running out of wiggle room. Things are still unclear and gray right now. Could turn into a political situation within the university depending on how people treat the “Lines” of the budget.
• Down 3% on state appropriation dollars. Question about budget for tours. Isn’t a line item but is budgeted in bottom line.

Bev Coberly –
• Council University expenses meeting – good discussion. Still have more meetings. How can we do programing smoothing and more efficiently?
• Code of Conduct – Still going to roll out
• COORT – new faculty members. Encourage them. Difficult time to start a new job when things aren’t going well right now.
• Labored – interviews will be happening.

Tony DeLong – Jackson County had dinner and was very successful. Orientation for newly elected council members (Cluster training with Tony). Training went very well and plan on doing it next year.

Legislative updates Courtney Kawelaske – bills will be heard next week. House Bill 3 failed and will go as originally stated. Budget cuts, don’t think we’ll go lower. Not worried. Talking points; centralized lots of things in the system. Would not be good if they decided to “bust up” the system ($$). Campuses don’t want to be separated out. Want to keep it all together. MSU Engineering program and doctoral programs (MSU cannot offer). They want to take that out. Don’t think this type of partnering is beneficial for the state and how we want to spend tax money that is already spread thin. Jim Snider gave brief history on MSU name change and what brought it about. Will probably be too late to get bill pasted for this year. But will certainly be a topic for next year.

Legislative Prospective Jim Snider – Why are we here? We see something that we want to be a part of and want it to be successful. Is very optimistic for MU system. Optimistic we will end the budget session with a 2% increase. Think university will hire a new president in the next year. Think judgement of legislators is better than what the press is showing lately.

UMEA Report Sarah Denkler – Sarah passed on Carl’s compliment to UMEA regarding how much we really appreciate their work. She said that if there is anything that needs to be passed on, let her know.

State 4H Council
Anita Hampton – sad news, 4-H’s Zach Parsons killed in a car accident. Kids are really struggling. Zach was very involved and wanted to be chair of the 4-H state council.
Nathan Smith – state 4-H conference coming up. Alex Engeman – finalized plan on team conference ideas.
**Council to Campus** – Vern & Paul - Have speakers in line. June 17 and 18. Everything is pretty much set up and going well.

Julie Scott – comments on what’s going on in her region and counties.

**Curator/VIP Tours** – Anita Hampton – Will be meeting with Brian Millner tomorrow. Will get times.

**Vice Chancellor & Director of Extension Search** – Carl Allison & Ronda Elfrink – Should have papers in front of us on the 19th so we can start the process. Interviews set up and on schedule.

Dinner break – Resume meeting – 7:30 pm

**Tracy – Farm Family Day** – sent out info to counties. Trying to get all 114 counties to nominate a family. Would be the first year we had all 114 counties participating. Asking state council to help with spreading the news and trying to get all 114 counties involved.

President search – all 6 candidates are alumni. Discussion on student curator on the campuses.

**State Council By-Law Committee** – Dolores Howard – committee met by phone last Wednesday. Working really hard. Coming up with great ideas. Reviewed few items and received feedback from council for committee to address further.

**Other Business**

**Advocacy Report** – Tracy and Tony –

- Tony handed out new Annual Report for Extension. Opportunity where we have talked to other people. Getting word out with programs. Remember how important it is to get the message out as to what we do and the impact of the programs we do.
- Tracy – How great it would be if everyone around the table came up with something they were going to do or accomplish in their counties by the next state council meeting. Instead of just coming to the meetings and listening to whatever one has to say and that’s it. Instead, be proactive and think of ways you can go out and accomplish things in your counties. Discussion on state council members that are leaving the council at the end of February. March 1 is when the new members are elected. Pictures and info came off site because there were elections and we didn’t have information for the people who were still going to remain on the council.

Dolores moved to adjourn, second by Ronda Elfrink. Motion carried adjourned 8:45pm.