

NW Regional Extension Council **Minutes**  
United Methodist Church, 104 W. Samuel, Hamilton MO  
Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

- 1) Call to Order – John Murphy, Chairman
- 2) Introduction of Guests
- 3) Roll Call of Regional Council Members – Number of years on Council and why you enjoy serving

Council Members Present:

Dorothy Allnutt, Grundy	Kristy Letner, Mercer
Bill Boelsen, Carroll	Wayne McReynolds, Saline
Robert Bryant, Carroll	Randall Mecca, Harrison
Bart Geiger, Holt	John Murphy, DeKalb
Dan Hausman, Buchanan	Benjamin Niendick, Lafayette
Rochelle Holt, Mercer	Ernie Nold, Andrew
Dallas Hurst, Atchison	Jayla Smith, Daviess
Tom Knadler, Buchanan	Della Tracy, Livingston
Ava Langner, Clinton	Christopher Wallace, Nodaway

CPD's and Extension Staff:

Jim Humphrey, Andrew	Katie Neuner, Lafayette
Kathi Mecham, Carroll	Jessica Trussell, Livingston
Debbie Davis, Clinton	Jerry Baker, Worth
Becky Simpson, Daviess	Joe Lear, NW Region Director
Meridith Berry, Grundy	Jill Knadler, Regional Administrative Associate
Wayne Flanary, Holt	
Beverly Maltsberger, Buchanan	

- 4) Additions or Revisions to Agenda – **approved as presented.**
- 5) Approval of Minutes from Dec. 20 Meeting  
(available at <http://extension.missouri.edu/nwregion/councilmeeting.aspx>)  
**Dallas Hunt moved to approve the minutes as posted. Bob Bryant seconded the motion. Motion carried.**
- 6) President's Report  
**John attended Karma Metzgar's retirement reception. It was very nice. The committee did a great job.**
- 7) Program – **handout provided**  
Discussion of Community Conversations – Jerry Baker, Community Development Specialist, Atchison County and Bev Maltsberger, Community Development Specialist, Buchanan County
- 8) University of Missouri Extension State Council Report – Bev Schenkel and Dan Hausman
  - **State Council met April 13 and 14. There was conversation with Dr. Marshall Stewart. Dr. Stewart spoke on topics from budget to athletics to safety on campus to reserves.**

Engagement Council met before spring break. Bringing schools together to see how they all can work together and what resources they have. The second day of the state council meeting Mark Stewart did an administrative update. He presented Bev Schenkel with a certificate of appreciation for serving as a state council representative.

- Dan stated he attended PILD (Public Issues Leadership Development) Conference in Washington DC. The key speaker was Dr. Stewart. Dr. Stewart is well known across the country.
- Council to campus is cancelled as of this year, 2017. Campus to region will begin this summer. The Northeast Region will pilot the program.
- Walter Carr, NE Region State Council Representative, is working on a new hay school on forage production in the NE Region.

9) Old Business - **no old business**

10) New Business

- a. Election of officers (one-year term)
  - i. Current officers
    - 1. John Murphy – Chair
    - 2. Jayla Smith – Vice Chair
    - 3. Bev Schenkel – Secretary

**Nominations for the 2017 NW Regional Council year were made for John Murphy continue as Chair and Jayla Smith as Vice Chair. Dan Hausman nominated Kristy Letner, Mercer County, as Secretary.**

**Bill Boelsen moved to approve the nominations. Dallas Hurst seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

- b. Election of State Council Representative (two year terms elected in alternating years at next meeting after county council elections)
  - i. 2015-2017 – Beverly Schenkel (term ends)
  - ii. 2016-2018 – Dan Hausman
  - iii. 2017 -2019 to be elected.

**Christopher Wallace, Nodaway County, volunteered to serve as State Council Representative for 2017 – 2019.**

**Jayla Smith moved to elect by acclamation. Dallas Hurst seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

- c. Meeting dates, times, location, and method for regional meeting
  - i. Meeting dates/months
  - ii. Location and/or method (face to face, phone, web conference)

**From the discussion, a decision was made for the regional council meetings to continue on the same schedule. The meetings will be face-to-face the first Wednesday during the months of January, May and September at the Hamilton United Methodist Church. The next regional council meeting will be Wednesday, September 6, 2017.**

**Dallas Hurst moved to approve the 2017 NW Regional Council meeting as discussed. Dan Hausman seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

11) Regional Director Update

a. Brief Introduction\Goals for Region – input from Council

**Joe encouraged council members to invite state and federal representatives to extension meetings.**

b. Position Update

**With the situation regarding the FY 18 budget, campus has put a hard freeze on open positions. Because the Livestock/CPD Specialist position in Mercer County and the Agronomy Specialist positions in Harrison County and Ray County were in the interview process, we were able to hold the interviews and have candidates for all three positions. The Family Finance Education Specialist position was not in the interview process and it is currently frozen. Clint Dougherty, PTAC Specialist, resigned. In late June once the strategic plan is completed and the budget is rolled out, we will have an idea if we need to look at positions.**

c. Budget Update

**The senate flipped the budget cuts. University of Missouri a 6% cut everyone else 9% cut. The House and Senate committee will meet to reconcile the bills. The university is waiting for enrollment numbers. It does not look positive. Dr. Stewart continues to look at a 12% budget cut. It will be a permanent cut and be the base for allocations in the future. In FY18, we have to be strategic in what we do. What is working well and what are our centers of excellence.**

d. Campus Searches

i. Vice Chancellor and Dean – College of Agriculture

**Since the search process, four were interviewed, but no announcement has made on who has been hired.**

ii. Chancellor Search

**Provost Stokes is the Interim Chancellor**

e. Extension Way Update

**Initial report will be presented by livestream on May 10, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. An email was sent to the county offices. The county office should send the information with the link to council members.**

12) Announcements

13) Adjourn – **Bob Bryant moved to adjourn the meeting. Dorothy Allnutt second the motion. Motion carried.**