

Kansas Joint Council of Extension Professional – Special Meeting, May 17, 2018

The Zoom special meeting of the board was called to order by chair Rachael Boyle.

Member participating: Rachael Boyle, Jan Steen, Jill Martinson, Sarah Keatley, John Forshee, Nancy Honig, Susan Johnson, Ethel Schneweis, Dennis Patton, Marlin Bates and Chuck Otte

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss KS-JCEP response to the impending budgets from Kansas State. The committee discussed the following talking points to be included in the letter to President Myers.

- Extension is in every county and the connection to the university for many
- Extension is important in recruiting future students
- Demonstrate the connection between the Colleges on campus and Extension work
- Show impact – 4-H youth, Medicare Savings, Ag producers
- Campus researchers need Extension to help deliver their results
- County/District staff need strong research and specialist on campus for a strong program
- Extension Council Law and the university mandate
- Importance of the Extension Council Board elected officials in supporting K-State mission and the university
- Core mission of the land grant university – teaching, research and Extension. Extension is not a university service it is a core mission.
- Cuts must be made to balance the budget but request a more equitable cut in line with other academic units. Either the same 4.85% or the 5.72% required to balance a budget

Rachael Boyle and Chris Petty will draft the KS-JCEP response to the cuts and send to the President Myers. Other agent associations have either already sent a letter or will.

Submitted by Dennis Patton - Acting Secretary