

Kansas State Extension Advisory Council Meeting  
August 22, 2008

The Kansas State Extension Advisory Council met on Friday, August 22, 2008 at the Lodge at Flint Oak, Fall River, Kansas. Thursday afternoon, prior to the SEAC business meeting the Council was presented an overview of opportunities in wildlife and outdoor enterprise opportunities in Kansas, including all forms of farm and ranch recreation. Speakers included Tom Warner, Ben Allen, Lance Hedges, Steve Westfahl, and Debra Bolton.

The Kansas State Extension Advisory Council meeting was called to order at 8:45 a.m. by Chair Bob Gottlob. Members and K-State Research and Extension Administrators introduced themselves.

Members Present: Bob Gottlob, Judy Parsons, Jason King, Bryan Brauer, Brad Fuller, Dan Johnson, Donita Sparks, Tresa Jones, Jo Ann Murray, Penny Donaldson, Gary Price, Larry Turner, Michele Janson, Jay Weseloh, Jerry Dreher, and John Ericson.

Members with Excused Absence: Kevin Journagen (second morning), Andy Sramek, Dwight McReynolds, John Kramer, Julia Strnad, Don Montgomery

KSU Administrators Present: Fred Cholick, Daryl Buchholz, J. Pat Murphy, Paula Peters, Pat McNally, Jim Lindquist, Paul Hartman, Dale Fjell, J.D. McNutt and Chris Onstad. Stacey Warner, Extension Operations Leader was also present at the meeting.

Members read and reviewed the enclosed minutes from the February 11, 2008 Council meeting and the Treasurer's report. Penny Donaldson moved and Dan Johnson seconded the motion to accept the minutes from the February 11, 2008 meeting and the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Fred Cholick gave an update on several issues. He gave information on the Farm Bill and its journey through the Congress. He also gave an update on the tornado damage on the KSU campus. Fred also informed us about the budget and the current hiring freeze. K-State has allowed filling some critical open positions and will continue to stay on top of this situation.

Daryl Buchholz gave an update on several other issues. He reported on the progress of professional development for agents. He also gave us information about several county level programs. Daryl then reviewed our agenda program. He also reported on his county visits he made throughout the year and summed up that the people we serve are interested in knowledge and the response by Extension.

Assistant Directors each gave updates in the area of their expertise. J. Pat Murphy talked about Food, Fiber and Fuel. Pat McNally highlighted National Youth Science Day on October 8<sup>th</sup> during National 4-H Week. Paula Peters informed us about the Ft. Riley Extension Programs and supporting our military families. Jim Lindquist reported on the Program Focus Teams and Professional Development.

Area Directors: Paul Hartman, Chris Onstad, Dale Fjell, and J.D. McNutt gave staffing and budget updates for each of their areas.

Stacey Warner and Jim Lindquist gave a presentation on the Board Leadership Modules. Stacey led us through the Program Development Committee (PDC)/Board Recruitment Module. Jim gave more information on the other Board Leadership Modules that are available. They are working on more modules.

Daryl gave a PowerPoint presentation on Planning towards the Next 5 Years: 2010 – 2014. He then led us in a 5-year plan exercise where we broke into groups and brainstormed the most compelling issues/needs that K-State Research and Extension must address in the next decade.

Paula Peters led everyone in an exercise “Do We Know Our Embedded Bias?” We were shown pictures and wrote down our acceptance level of each person. Discussion followed.

Judy Parsons, JoAnn Murray and Jason King gave reflections on the 2008 Public Issues Leadership Development Conference. Those that have not yet attended this conference were encouraged to go to the 2009 conference.

The nominating committee submitted the following slate for 2009 SEAC officers:

President – Kevin Journagan  
Vice President – Jerry Dreher  
Secretary – Judy Parsons  
Treasurer – JoAnn Murray

It was moved and seconded to have nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for the members nominated. Motion carried.

The spring SEAC meeting will be February 15 – 17, 2009 in Topeka. Details will be sent out closer to the date.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Parsons, secretary