Shawnee County Extension Board Meeting  
Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Order of Business
1. Call to order by Chairperson Chad Bullock.
2. Roll call by secretary Amy Miller
   Board members Chad Bullock, Karen Perkuhn, Amy Miller, Michael Meyers, Luanne Webb, Bill Layes, Tracey Taylor, Bruce Brown were in attendance. 
   Director-Cindy Evans, Ariel Whitely-Noll Leroy Russell
3. Agenda items – additions/deletions/approval
4. Public Comment
5. Communications – None
6. Consent Agenda Items**
   a. Reading and approval of January minutes
      1. Karen made a motion to accept the January minutes. Bruce Brown seconded. Motion passes.
   b. Treasurer’s report- presented by Michael Meyers
      1. The balance from last month was $512,085.59. Total Receipts for the month were $161,164.69. Total Expenditures this month $55,064.37, Net Balance this month $618,185.91.
      2. Bill moved to accept the treasurer’s report. Karen Perkuhn seconded. Motion passed.
7. Reports
   a. PDCs – no new meetings
   b. Agent Report– Leroy Russell
      1. Leroy discussed the education opportunities that are being offered by Shawnee County Extension and in conjunction with local partners as directed by his PDC. 
         A. Cow Herd Health was attended by 120 farmers Jan 29, 2018 
         B. Upcoming Dicamba Training & Soybean Update Feb 21, 2018 
         C. Discussed upcoming Coffee, Cookies & Conversation
            -Lawyers, Wills, Low-income issues, Water quality 
         D. Certification for 4-H youth to show all species of livestock
            1. Chad asked how the clubs will be advised of the certification. It is being discussed. After the livestock committee meets decisions will be made.
E. Experiment Field Crop Update Feb 15, 2018

c. Director Report – Cindy Evans
1. Offered the job for the 4-H Professional to Fran McAdoo. She accepted on a temporary basis and we will need to repost the position later in the year. Begins on Monday. 1200 hours
2. Listening session in Lawrence with Extension Associate Director Gregg Hadley went well and was well attended. Cindy took several agents and 2 PDC members attended.

d. Partnership Meeting Update– Chad Bullock
1. 2017 Shawnee County Board received an award for Excellence in Board Leadership.
2. Extension Director John Floros gave the funding presentation as was presented to the legislature.
   a. Money is up, but donated money has strings for targeted research directed by donors.
3. Gregg Hadley is leaving his position open for two years to save costs.
4. 4-H fees were discussed and open to ideas how to use the funds.
5. Health was discussed of the communities
5. Listening sessions- how ideas of the past are coming to fruition. For instance, using videos in practice in messaging ideas of extension.

e. Other
1. Ariel said the Garden Show went well. No major issues. Great weather, great volunteer turnout.

8. Board Leadership Development – Risk Management
a. Cindy discussed many instances of how to reduce risk at Extension activities.
b. Decisions of safety are not always popular, but need to be made & enforced
c. Discussed issues for events suggested EMT, security, envelopes with health information, 2 person leadership, background check, VIP trained, Food safety, Certified childcare providers, Approve Drivers for Extension & Private vehicles
   Discussed vehicle insurance, Michael Meyers asked whether there is policy against electronic device use while operating a vehicle.

9. Unfinished Business -None

10. New Business
a. Approve out-of-county request to join 4-H (Bruce Brown)
   1. Wabaunsee County 4-Her Alexis Studebaker wants to join the Shawnee County 4-H Horse Club. They are the only active Horse project student in their county.
They feel they receive no leadership, no direction in Wabaunsee County. Discussed repercussions if not a great fit down the line. Motion by Mike Meyers to approve Alexis to join Shawnee Co 4-H Horse Club. Second by Karen Perkuhn. Motion passed.

b. Set date of October 23rd for Board meeting, elections, salary discussion & performance reviews

Note: *(The President, Treasurer & Secretary will sign checks on October 8th or 9th so we can meet our billing deadlines.)*

c. Set date of Tuesday, November 27th for Annual Meeting

d. Establish membership for the Budget, Personnel and Extension Council Nomination Committees.

   **Budget**- Chad, Mike & Karen  
   **Personnel**- Amy, Bill & Luanne  
   **Extension Council Nomination**- Bruce, Tracey, & Cindy

e. Greenhouse Heating Concerns
Ariel presented problems of the control module for the greenhouse. The Master Gardener board approved the purchase of the new Wadsworth system. The county electrician looked at the system and said he could install the new system. Unfortunately, he is overloaded with jobs within the county & has not had the time to install the new system.
Bill moved to secure bids from 2 electrical vendors for installation not to exceed $2500 to install the system. Bruce seconded the motion. Motion passes.

**11. Adjournment**
Mike made a motion to adjourn. Tracey seconded the motion. Motion passes.