**University of Illinois Extension Council**

**Minutes: May 22, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Henderson, Knox, McDonough, and Warren Counties Extension Council was held at the Warren County Extension Office on May 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Attendees attended both in person and via the virtual option due to ongoing COVID protocol.

In attendance were council members: Andrew Jowers, Gina Sanberg, Patrick King, Kim Brannon, Shelby Henning, Cuqui Frau, Mary Mowen, and Richard Musser

Extension Staff: Carrie McKillip, Shelby Carlson, Lisa Torrance and Tessa Hobbs-Curly

County Board Representatives: Brad Flatt, Deb Flester, Mike Pierson and Scott Schwerer

The Extension Council Business meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chair, Patrick King.

There was no public comment.

Meeting minutes from the March Council meetings were reviewed. Corrections to the following names were made: Tessa Hobbs-Curly, Gina Sanberg and Andrew Jowers. Andrew Jowers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Gina Sanberg seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Fiscal Reports through March 2023 were presented to the board. Richard Musser made a motion to approve the fiscal reports and Andrew Jowers seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Lisa Torrance shared staffing updates with the Council including interviewing for the Extension Educator at the Monmouth Research Center, extra help starting, Horticulture program help, Wendy Ferguson moving to Marketing EPC and the search for CED Educator and new Horticulture EPC.

George, the robotics coach, reported that one of the 4-H Robotics Teams received Champion Level Recognition at the 4-H contest.

Staffing reports were shared verbally as well as through the “5 Things” document and a programming calendar was also shared.

Old Business:

Extension offices will be closed May 29, June 19 and July 4th for holidays.

Next Council Meeting will be August 28, 2023

New Business:

Council Member Recruitment August 28, 2023.

Next Council Meetings November 27, 2023 January 29, 2024 March 25, 2024 May 20, 2024

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Blake Rappenecker and seconded by Shelby Henning. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

\*Those interested in speaking to the Extension Council under Public Comments must contact Lisa Torrance 24 hours prior to the meeting for details regarding their presentation.