

**STATE EXTENSION COUNCIL
BUSINESS SESSION**

**Hyatt Regency, Lexington
February 26, 2014**

MINUTES

The State Extension Council and Advisers met on Thursday, February 26, 2014 at the Hyatt Regency, Lexington, Kentucky at 6:00 p.m.

Jim Costigan, President, called the meeting to order.

Jim then led the introduction of the Extension Council and guest. He also explained the duties and benefits of the State Extension Council.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved with Larry Davis from Livingston County making the motion and it was seconded by Elaine Avila from Morgan County.

Dr. Jimmy Henning introduced Dr. Tsegaye from Kentucky State University. He talked about the following:

- Kentucky State University Programs
- Using tax payers money wisely
- Working relationship with the University of Kentucky.

Dr. Henning recognized District Directors and District 1 new director, Jeff Smith, from Fleming County.

REPORTS:

District Forum reports addressed the topic of Agent Evaluations. Questions discussed at District Forums were:

- Could you use this to score agents
- Who in the county would be appropriate individual/individuals to receive this survey.
- Suggest best method for collecting this information to allow a wide variety of respondents.
- Other suggestions for gathering input from clientele on agents performance.

Many different suggestions were given and possible changes to the Agents Evaluation Form.

District reports were given by:

- District 1 – Ann Porter
- District 2 – Dean Craft
- District 3 – Linda Jeffers
- District 4 – Sue Kirkman
- District 5 – Chuck Crutcher
- District 6 – Melanie Watson
- District 7 – Larry Davis

Other items the districts talked about were:

- Budget updates
- Working with Government Officials
- Programs within the district that have been successful
- Population trends
- Networking programs
- Marketing reports
- Decline in revenue
- Importance of District Forums
- Telling your story materials from U.K
- Hiring agents using local input

President Costigan opened the floor for questions. Delegates asked what would be done with these reports? The University of Kentucky will use this information to make decision on soliciting input on agent evaluation.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

What can counties do for 100 year Celebration?

University of Kentucky has 2 videos available, pins, banners you can borrow, and commission of 3 dramas counties can use.

Counties suggested newspaper articles, book marks, flyers, floats in local parades, meal functions, historic information, fair classes, Government Officials Proclamation, open house and 100 year cookbook.

It was announced that the next State Extension Council meeting would be held at the Embassy Suites in Lexington, Ky, August 12, 2014. Mason County also extended an invitation to host the meeting.

The president ask for any more new business? There was none so the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Porter