## STATE EXTENSION ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 28, 29 AND MARCH 1, 2012

The State Extension Advisory Council met on Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the Embassy Suites, Lexington, Kentucky.

Orientation for new delegates was held by officers. Information was given on Vision, Emphasizes, how the advisory council worked, terms of delegates, purpose and the benefits of serving on the advisory council.

President, Rhonda Brashear, presided over the awards banquet.

Jim Costigan, Vice President, presented a Thought for the Day.

The group heard remarks from Dean Scott Smith, University of Kentucky and Dr. Kimberly Holmes, Kentucky State University.

Lyon County was awarded the Randall Barnett Award for 2012 for their outstanding work on Disaster Preparedness and other programs held in their county.

The Diversity Award for the county went to Henry County. Stephanie Richards received the individual Diversity Award.

Jim Costigan, Vice President, presided over the meeting on Wednesday, February 29<sup>th</sup>. He welcomed new delegates to the meeting.

Dr. Kenneth Jones discussed the Plan of Work for the next four years. He gave information to be taken back to our county.

Gae Broadwater discussed how we work together and gave us information to take back to our county.

Program Reports were given from Agricultural, FCS, Community Economic Development (CEDIK), and 4-H.

District Directors Matt Fulkerson, David Adams and Jeff Young held a panel discussion, explaining the use of current technology, i.e. website, emails and facebook to get information from our county to the community.

Aleta Botts, Director of Ag Policy Outreach, explained how important it is for us to contact our state and federal officials, so that bills are passed and protected to improve federal funding for extension and its programs. She also gave websites and information to contact these people.

Patsy Kinman, Secretary, presided over the afternoon meeting and gave a thought on Volunteers and how important they are to extension.

Dr. Jimmy Henning, UK Extension, gave information on changes taking place in extension, how important it was for everyone to have a plan, set goal, and ways to meet these goals.

Dr. Kimberly Holmes, KSU gave information as to how KSU and UK were working together to improve extension. She also stated that KSU would be putting agents in counties as a supplement to help improve the agent problem through the state. She also explained how the process of selecting counties would work.

Several of the delegates toured the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.

Evening Sessions on Marketing our Programs, Client Protection and A Nation In Debt were offered to interested delegates.

Rhonda Brashear, President, presided over the business meeting on Thursday, March 1, 2012.

Motion by Chuck Crutcher, Hardin County, seconded by Jana Scott, Shelby County, to approve the minutes of summer meeting held on July 12, 2011. Motion carried.

There was no old business to come before the delegates.

New business included the discussion of a summer meeting in 2012. Franklin County has volunteered to host the meeting. Jim Costigan will get available dates and then a survey will be sent to delegates.

Motion by Ann Barker, Greenup County, seconded by Randy Newton, Christian County, that the business meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Dr. Martha Nall gave information on the new Advisory Council website.

Dr. Charlene Jacobs gave an update on 4-H. She further encouraged everyone to donate \$10.00 to 4-H when they renewed their vehicle license.

Each district held a meeting to discuss issues and ways to take the information received at this meeting to their counties.

Dr. Richard Maurer gave information on budgeting, discussed the survey taken and how cuts could affect each county.

Delegates brought items representing their county, which were given as door prized though the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A. M. on March 1, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Kinman, Secretary