

Extension Educator Council
May 14, 2003
Minutes

Present: George Hamilton, Steve Turaj, Cheryl Smith, Karen Blass, Alice Mullen, Val Long

I. March Minutes Reviewed

The March minutes were reviewed and approved.

II. Updated

1. University President's Meeting – Val: notes were sent out to EEC but most of the discussion centered around the budget.
2. UNH Master Plan – Cheryl: most involvement for members done (have had 5-6 meetings). Precincts are done. Big issues are increasing the ability to house students on campus, want to have more faculty live in town (possibly having Leawood Orchards contain married student housing, faculty housing). Final master plan presented in September (with a sequence of steps over 15-20 years). Right now it looks like there will not be a performing arts center. There will be a parking garage (?A lot) and a parking deck (B lot). Cheryl and Jim Grady have represented us.
3. Awards & Recognition – Alice: Alice will be working with the recognition team. The ceremony will be from 11-12 then lunch at 12.
4. Promotion Committee

George mentioned that the Promotion Committee met with the Leadership Team to discuss procedures. Composition of the committee will change next year to: a representative (either specialist or educator) from each program area (5), and an at large educator, and an at large specialist.

Performance Appraisal Committee

Ed has established this committee. First meeting is June 11th.

Steve Turaj – rep. EEC

Dan Reidy

Bruce Clement
Charlene Baxter
Debbie Luppold

Amy Oulette
Charlotte Cross

The information about this committee will be in the bi-weekly update.

1. Heckel Award

Modified award Karen worked on and it will be completed for use this month with nominees.

Nominees for Heckel Award – 2004

Nominees -Suzann Knight – FLP

Charlotte Cross – TAP

Catherine Violette – Food Safety

Margaret Hagen – Family, Home and Garden Center

Nada Haddad – Sustaining NH Agriculture Coalition

Paula Gregory - Strengthening New Hampshire Communities

Deb Cheever can provide any additional names.

Karen will modify forms, get input from EEC and will notify nominees and send forms by June 1, 2003.

Update on Budget

SPPC – Jim reported that very little happened at this meeting. The one thing that was important was what would happen with the salary increases – we don't have information on this yet. They did say there will be a 3 ½ % salary increase in September – probably the majority of the money will be across the board. We will have to do promotional increases this year – 3 to Associate and 2 to Full Educator.

General Extension budget crisis – budget information has been in the bi-weekly update – hopefully John will address that at the annual conference next week.

Next meeting July 9th, 9am-12noon at Taylor Hall.