

Excellence in Extension

Friday, April 2, 2010
9:30 - 2 p.m.

Attendance: Sandy Scholl, Amy Asmus, Mary Foley, Susan Kline and Judy Levings (Steve Devlin, Kendra Crooks, and Wiley Klein provided written comments about grants that were read as well).

Reviewed Individual Staff Development Grants

The following grants were submitted:

Brenda Allen- Reclaiming Youth at Risk Conference Approved at \$750

- Included complete budget, goals outlined, benefit to unit clear.

Catherine Lents- Strengthening Skills in Family Development and Parenting Education- Not Approve

- Asked for more than \$750 limit.
- Professional Development had already begun. EIE does not fund training that has already started.

Kim Brantner and Joy Rouse- CYFAR- Not Approved

- Concern that no definite goals for knowledge transfer has been developed.
- Incomplete budget.
- No inclusion of community needs or how partners would be impacted.

Reviewed the Betty Elliott Group Staff Grant

Kim Brantner and Joy Rouse- CYFAR- Not Approved

- Concern that no definite goals for knowledge transfer has been developed.
- Incomplete budget.
- No inclusion of community needs or how partners would be impacted.

Reviewed Innovated Grants

NE Food and Fitness 4-H Afterschool Clubs Model (Vanette Grover)- Not approve

- Majority of funding asked for was for delivery and not the development of an innovative program.
- No discussion of how the innovation could be replicated and sustained.
- Concern with precedence of paying volunteers and what it would do to their volunteer status with the University.
- Was unsure what the innovation was- afterschool clubs, the topic, or method of securing the club leader.

Intergenerational Physical Activity (Sarah Francis)- Not approve

- Concern with sustainability of program.
- No defined location/facility/ or partners

Jasper County Survival Camp (Marisue Hartung)- Not approve

- No sustainability or transferability plan
- Concern with innovation (have funded before)
- Budget incomplete and high cost per child.

Scientist Volunteer Model (Jay Staker)- Approve \$2500

- Liked that it would affect volunteer recruitment across the state.
- Impact could carry on for numerous years.

Horticulture Training for ISUE County Staff and Master Gardener Volunteers- Not Approve

- Concern if face to face training is the most efficient way to deliver this training.
- Innovation not clear.
- Budget is aimed at delivery not development of the innovation.

Cook This! (Mitch Hoyer)- Approved \$2500

- Innovation clear.

Motion to fund: All approved items, Mary Foley. Second. Susan Kline.

Brenda Allen- Individual Staff Development- \$750

Mitch Hoyer- Innovative Grant \$2500

Jay Staker- Innovative Grant \$2500

Total= \$5750 funded.

Sandy Scholl will send out notices to all applicants to share who was awarded grants and use bullet points with those staff applications that were not awarded.

Discussed the future of grants.

Provide a list of tips to increase grant approvals for staff on the website.

Some tips include: Definition of innovative; use the budget table in the attached document; the grant or professional development can't already have started; providing a complete budget; share that county staff can apply for professional development but should align with program area.

Post notice of Herb Howell grant for the Fall (September). Decided to go ahead and provide up to \$10,000 for this grant program, with no pre-proposal required. Herb Howell and other grants would not start before Oct. 15 (Grant applications due Sept. 15, EIE Board meet and approve before Oct. 15).

Make a change on the Herb Howell application to reflect that grants should be to benefit lowan's in a geographic or program area. (Change needs to be made immediately)

Other items:

Electing a New Board. Many staff are retiring or have finished their terms.

Current:

Sandy Scholl- Communities- end term

Kristen Taylor-Families- end term

Steve Devlin- CIRIS- end term

Linda Naeve- Ag- end term

Willy Klein-CECS) end term

Judy Hensley -(SW) end term

Linda Nelson (Central)- end term

Ober Anderson (retired) end term

Terry Janssen - (NW counties) -current

Kendra Crooks- (NE Counties)-will be new term

Patti Steiner- (SE)- current

Judy Levings- 4-H- will be new term

Amy Asmus- partner
Mary Foley- partner- 1 more year
Bill Bogue as Treasurer (ex-officio)
Administration Representative: Mary Holz-Claus (ex-officio)
ISUE Foundation- Chris Fahey (ex-officio)

New:

Kim Greder- Families- will take Kristen Taylor's Place
Susan Klein- Retiree- will take Ober's place.

Open seats:

1. Agriculture representative
2. Communities representative
3. CIRIS representative
4. Communications or CECS
5. Open- (SW)
6. Open- (Central)
7. Second retiree

Because of Sandy retiring, Linda Naeve and Kristen Taylor no longer on the board, those present nominated:

Terry Jansson for Chair

Judy Levings for Vice-Chair

Kim Greder for Secretary (Kim had not been contacted Sandy will do so to make sure she is willing)

Motion to accept the nominated roster. Amy Asmus. Susan Klein seconds the roster.

Sandy Scholl will contact the Program Directors to fill the roster of open seats.

Other Business:

Discussion of Marketing Committee. Once EIE has filled its open seats a marketing committee should be named to:

Market the fall grants, solicit for funding in the new Extension (use of Dr. Payne or Dr. Miller to help with this as well).