

FCS Advisory Leadership Council
Minutes



The LSU/Southern University AgCenter held its annual FCS Advisory Leadership Council Meeting on November 30, 2011, at the Byerley House located at 600 Lake Street, Lake Providence. Minutes recorded by Carolyn Robinson.

An invocation was given by Daisy Wilson. Grace Siggers gave a welcome and introduced the staff and Danna Gillett as their new supervisor. Carolyn Robinson explained the role of being a FCS ALC member. Lunch was served while Patricia Johnkin gave an overview of EFNEP and Sharon Wilder of FFNEWS.



22 members were in attendance.

The following question was asked: "Knowing what you do about the mission of the LSU/SU AgCenter's Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, what are some of the issues facing the residents of this parish that you feel the AgCenter can address through research-based educational programs?"

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The responses were:

1. Exercise or fitness
2. Ways to partner with agencies to bring the programs to more clients.
3. Parenting for mothers of preschoolers. (Comment: I wanted to cry when I saw a child on a very cold day without a coat or sweater on. How can we have parenting for parents of young children?)
4. Parenting for how to dress. (Good grooming, so to speak).
5. Advisory needs to be more than once a year. (Members agreed to accept duties as to what focus group they are willing to give input for.)
6. Surveys will be sent as to how often they are willing to meet.
7. Members are willing to come together to coordinate efforts in getting clients to meetings.
8. Member wants to continue nutrition with more depth.
9. What can be done about poverty in East Carroll?
10. What can be done for housing?
11. Need to implement housekeeping programs (Home so beautiful).
12. There is a need for another meeting which was not scheduled but will be done in a survey.

Research and Extension Programs
Agriculture
Economic/Community Development
Environment/Natural Resources
Families/Nutrition/Health
4-H Youth Programs

The top two priorities are parenting and nutrition.

The meeting was adjourned.

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