



# El Paso County Advisory Board

January 9, 2018

5:30 pm

Colorado State University Extension Office at 17 N. Spruce St.

## Meeting Minutes

**Advisory Board Members present:** Steve Loy (Chair), Kathleen O'Donnell (Vice Chair), Freddie Bogardus, Rose Marie Lyda, Cheryl Nunnali, Tyler Peoples, Sharanne Rothenbucher, Barbara Bates (staff) and Nancy Holt (guest).

**Mission Statement:**

The mission of the El Paso County Cooperative Extension Advisory Committee is to promote, advocate, and support the County's Cooperative Extension programs and staff by developing and implementing a strong marketing strategy that results in educating community officials and providing information flow between county citizens and Cooperative Extension.

Member	Topic	Topic/Discussion
Barbara Bates	Old Business	Minutes from the October meeting were approved with one correction
		Horticulture Program Coordinator position has been filled. Audrey Miles Cherney started in mid-December.
		Interviews for the Family and Consumer Science position occurred in mid-December. An internal candidate has been put forward and processing is occurring on campus.
		A comparison of the committee proposed by-laws and those put forth by County Attorney Amy Folsom was made. Changes were suggested. The amended document will be sent to Amy for a final review, before beginning the approval process by the BoCC.
Advisory Board Members	New Business	The final version of the 2017 CSU Extension Annual Report was distributed. Comments were positive.
		Materials were distributed for committee review regarding the need for a different facility, concerns about safety in this location based on a record of troubling incidences from the past and a neighborhood crime report for the last 6 months of 2017. Discussion followed. <b>It was agreed that this is not a good location for CSU Extension.</b> Cheryl stated that 4-H families will not come to this location. Freddie stated that she believed the public and volunteer participation in events has dropped since moving to this location from N. Union.

		A subcommittee (Sharanne, Rose and Freddie) was formed to look at property options, and to move the message forward that a different facility is needed. Barb will put together a list of features desired, as well as approximate square footage needed. Tentative discussions included other county buildings, abandoned schools or a mall.
		Meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm
		Minutes prepared by Barbara Bates (approved 2-13-18)
		<b>Next meeting Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 5:30 pm. Please notify Barb if you are <u>not</u> able to attend.</b>