



Marion County Extension and 4-H Service District (MCE4H)

Meeting Minutes – June 25, 2025

SERVICE DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING

Open Meeting

The meeting of the Marion County Extension and 4-H Service District (MCE4H) was called to order by Director Danielle Bethell at 2:30p.m. Introductions were made.

Board Members Present: Commissioner Danielle Bethell, MCE4H Director; Commissioner Colm Willis, MCE4H Director

Attending: Heather Inyama, MC Board's Office; Tony Frazier, Salem Kroc Center; Catherine Azevedo, Kroc Center Program Director; Katie Costic, Super School Coordinator; Sarah Theis, Highland Elementary School; Victoria Gilbreth; Salem Kroc Center; Laura McClellan, MC Community Services; Kelli Weese, MCE4H Secretary and Budget Officer; Elvira Alvarez, OSU Extension

Community Projects

Highland Elementary YEDAAG Application

Background Summary

- On June 16, the Salem Kroc Center applied for \$50,000 in MCE4H Service District YEDAAG funding.
- The program was invited to apply by Director Bethell on June 11.
- Previously funded through Salem-Keizer School District, but changes in eligibility disqualified them this year.

Summary of Presentation – Salem Kroc Center

- In previous years, program received funding through Salem/Keizer School District
- Requesting funds for 2025 summer programming
- Serves approximately 150 students; aligned with Highland Elementary's Super School initiative to expand learning opportunities.
- Highland Elementary is a high-need school impacted by funding cuts and concentrated poverty.
- Summer programming helps build social and academic skills.

Summary of Discussion

- Funding is available from FY 2024–25 due to savings in other areas (e.g., OSU Extension).
- Kelli Weese holds signing authority for YEDAAG contracts post-board approval for FY 24-25
- Contract draft is prepared due to time sensitivity.
- Board expressed interest in increased school involvement partnership with OSU Extension.
- Requested logo placement on materials.

MOTION: Director Willis made a motion approve the Salvation Army Kroc Center YEDAAG grant in the amount of \$50,000 from Fiscal Year 24-25. Director Willis seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED**



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Contracts

MCE4H IGA with OSU- Presented Kelli Weese

The current Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with OSU, which provides extension services to MCE4H, was extended in June 2020 for five years and is set to expire on June 30, 2025.

Recap of Previous Requests from the Board:

- At June 5 meeting, Board requested changes to draft IGA and those changes were made.
- Staff submitted the revised draft to OSU for preliminary review. OSU made minor edits to signature lines, with no substantive changes.

Updates since the last meeting:

- Marion County Compliance review is not completed by meeting date however Board may still approve the IGA as submitted, contingent on the outcome of the compliance review
- If no substantive changes result from the review, the agreement will be routed to the Board's office for signature.

MOTION: Director Cameron made a motion to approve the MCE4H IGA with OSU as submitted, contingent upon no substantive changes resulting from compliance review. Director Willis seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00p.m.

MARION COUNTY EXTENSION and 4-H SERVICE DISTRICT

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Chair, Danielle Bethell

Handwritten date 8/21/2025 in blue ink.

Date

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Director, Colm Willis

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Orig: Clerk

Cc: Board of Commissioners – MCE4HSD

Community Services