

Cochise County Cooperative Extension Advisory Board
December 2, 2024, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Willcox Extension Office, Conference Room
450 S. Haskell Avenue, Willcox, AZ

Agenda

Refreshments – 3:00 p.m.

Business Meeting – 3:15 p.m.

Call to Order: Moiria White, Chair (Ron Bemis, Vice Chair)

Approve Minutes of July 8, 2024, meeting

Introductions: UA Faculty, Staff and Advisory Board Members

New Business:

1. Extension Operations (Carol)
 - a. Changes at Sierra Vista location
 - b. Change in Extension/Water Wise presence in Bisbee
 - c. Possible change in Douglas presence
 - d. Water data research workshop planned for January in conjunction with ASU
 - e. Personnel
 - i. Positions Open –
 1. Asst/Assoc Agent, Commercial Horticulture
 - a. One virtual interview is being set up
 - b. <https://talent.arizona.edu/req20053>
 2. Extension Assistant, 4-H--hiring freeze has not been lifted
 3. Water Wise Community Outreach--grant funded and county funded, not subject to hiring freeze
 - ii. Resignations
 1. Berlynda Schaaf, Admin Assistant Sierra Vista, will not be replaced
 2. Jenny Simon, Community Outreach Spec II, Early Childhood--will not be replaced due to grant non-renewal
 3. Casey Fogle, Community Outreach Spec II, Parenting/Financial Literacy--will not be replaced due to grant ending
 4. Trevor Lauber, Water Wise Community Outreach
2. Community Updates: from the Board (3 minutes each)
 - a. Moira White, Chair
 - b. Ron Bemis, Vice Chair
 - c. Aaron Cardona
 - d. Tyler Curry
 - e. Julia Johnson
 - f. Amber Morin
 - g. Dennis Moroney
 - h. Alan Seitz
 - i. Nathan Watkins
 - j. Jason Zibart
3. Faculty/Program Updates (3 minutes each)
 - a. Haley Chappell – 4-H Youth Development
 - b. Jan Groth – ANR – Home Horticulture, Master Gardener
 - c. Carol Holden – Director & Economic Development

- d. Kim McReynolds – ANR – Natural Resources
- e. Randy Norton – ANR – Field Crops
- f. Rosie Stewart -- FCHS
- g. Evelyn Whitmer - FCHS
- h. Ashley Wright – ANR – Livestock/WaterWise

Old Business:

1. University Budget Updates (Carol)
 - a. Spending Authority
 - b. What is the outlook for fiscal year 2026?
 - c. Survey of how programming has been affected by cuts
2. Meat Lab updates (Carol)

Future Agenda Items:

Adjourn: