

**Cochise County Cooperative Extension Advisory Board**  
**January 17, 2023, 10:00am – 12:00pm**  
**Cochise College, Benson**

**Agenda**

Call to Order: Dennis Moroney – Chair of Advisory Board  
Approve Minutes:

Introductions: UA Faculty, Staff, and Program Leads; Advisory Board Members

New Business:

1. Extension Operations
  - a. Office Operations
  - b. State of the Unit Presentation – Connie
  - c. New positions – Randy
    - i. County new hires
      1. Felicia Ferguson, Range Monitoring
      2. Trevor Lauber, Water Wise Community Programming
    - ii. Statewide new hires
      1. Diaa Elshikha, Irrigation Specialist
      2. Cathy Martinez, Interim 4-H Associate Director
      3. Michelle Walsh, Associate Director, FCHS
    - iii. 4-HYD in Cochise County (Looking for Applicants)
    - iv. CED position – Cochise County (Currently have 10 Applicants for Review)
    - v. Cooperative Extension Director – Ed Martin (Interim)
  - d. NEI Approval by Legislature approx. \$8.0M for next three years - Randy
    - i. New positions -
  - e. Needs Assessment – Statewide Survey Complete - Randy
    - i. Strategic Planning
2. Advisory Board
  - a. Terms
  - b. Elections

Reports:

1. Community Updates: from the Board (3 minutes each)
2. Faculty/Program Updates (3 minutes each)
  - a. Jan Groth – ANR - Consumer Horticulture
  - b. Luis Aguilar Chavez and Mekenna Smith - 4-HYD
  - c. Trevor Lauber – ANR – Water Wise
  - d. Kim McReynolds – ANR – Range
  - e. Randy Norton – ANR – Field Crops
  - f. Josh Sherman – ANR – Commercial Horticulture
  - g. Evelyn Whitmer - FCHS
  - h. Ashley Wright – ANR – Livestock and WaterWise

Old Business:

Next Meeting:

Future Agenda Items:

Adjourn: