

## Committee Summary

### Origin

The University of Minnesota Extension Committee is authorized by Minnesota Statute, Chapter 38.36. to discern the particular needs of the county and to implement a program fulfilling the goals of the people of the county and of the University of Minnesota. Local Extension work includes educational programs and resources in the areas of agriculture, economic and human development, community leadership, and environment and natural resources.

The Extension Committee works with the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners to meet the intent of MN Stat. Chapter 38.36.

### Composition

Nine members (Minnesota Statutes 1973, chapter 21):

- Two County Board commissioners
- The county auditor or the auditor's designee who, by law, is secretary of the committee
- Six at large members appointed by the County Board

### Duties/Responsibilities

- Prepare the budget for Extension works in the county.
- Recommend to the Hennepin County Board the amount of county funds needed to support Extension work, employ Extension staff, help formulate the county Extension staff's work plan, and encourage residents and organizations to use Extension resources.

### Term

At large members: 3 years

### Meetings

The committee generally meets quarterly on the third Wednesday of the month from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., Location: to be determined. Special meetings are called when new staff are interviewed for hiring. Committee members may also attend Extension activities.

### Eligibility Requirements

**At Large** : A candidate should have some familiarity with the University of Minnesota Extension and an interest in education, the involvement of volunteers, and youth development. Members should represent a cross-section of the residents of Hennepin County, including urban, suburban, and rural, as well as minority

representation.

## Compensation

Per county board resolution 22-0334 adopted September 13, 2022, members may be paid a per diem allowance in lieu of expenses not to exceed \$50 for each meeting of the board or committee up to two (2) meetings per calendar month, and a mileage allowance.

## Reimbursement

None

## Other Information

Visit the University of Minnesota Extension website: <https://www.extension.umn.edu>

## Contact Information

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