

Committee Summary

Origin

"Established by the State Legislature in 1909, the University of Minnesota Extension has been involved in "diffusing among the people useful and practical information on subjects relating to agriculture and home economics." The University of Minnesota Extension is a joint partnership between Hennepin County and the University of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes, sections 38.33-38.38)."

Composition

Nine members (Minnesota Statutes 1973, chapter 21):

- County Board chair
- One commissioner appointed by the County Board
- County auditor (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 agents, 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 on the second Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the University Research and Outreach Center (UROC), located at 2001 Plymouth Avenue North, Minneapolis. Special meetings are called when new staff are interviewed for hiring. Committee members may also attend Extension activities.

Eligibility Requirements

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

None

Reimbursement

Mileage

Other Information

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

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