

CCE Schoharie & Otsego Counties
Family & Consumer Science Program Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2025

Present: Liz Callahan, Nelta Miller, Deb Gansinger Hall, Jessica Hill, Shelby MacLeish, Brenda Seery, Michelle Leveski, Maegan Freeman

Excused: Kelly Martin, Lindsay Garner

Start Time: 6:30 PM

1) Welcome

Liz Callahan – Welcomed everyone, briefly talked about Strategic plan and plans of work.

2) Program updates

a) EFNEP – Michelle Leveski

- HeadStart classes at SUNY Oneonta
- 3 remote CROP Family cooking classes -> Morris/Gilboa (with Maegan), Worcester (with Nelta)
- Home visit
- Next month Michelle will start Amsterdam HeadStart and Jefferson CROP. All are parent/child education.
- April will start CROP parent/child series in Laurens.

b) Healthy Connections – Nelta Miller

- Finished Liberty Partnership – 2 classes with parent/child participating.
- Started a pilot 6-week class in SUNY Cobleskill daycare (18 littles).
- Ongoing 6-week series for seniors at Willow Ridge in Oneonta.
- CROP youth in Jefferson and Gilboa starting next month- 6-weeks series
- Building healthy families in Oneonta coming soon
- Collaborating with master gardeners (Seed to Supper)

c) SNAP-ED – Maegan Freeman

- 6-week remote series CROP Family Cooking classes -> Morris/Gilboa (with Michelle)
- CROP afterschool youth lessons – Morris, Laurens, Worcester, Andes
- After school lessons in Hancock
- Hancock Children’s Center lessons with parents
- RSS lessons once per month (Rehabilitation Support Services)
- Senior lesson 2x/month at Sidney Senior Village
- Sidney Family Cooking classes
- Hoping to establish Family cooking classes in Hancock and Walton
- Continuing communications with Delaware CCE and new Human Ecology team leader; Dove Karn

d) Farm to School – Liz Callahan

- Special Project Educator for FTS/Together We Grow Initiative position has been posted and CCESO will start looking over applicants within a week.
- Farm to School will engage 10 schools in Oneonta

3) Other concerns or comments

- Update on the Strategic Planning process
- Staff took part in strategic plan meeting and worked on NOISE analysis
- Board members will be asked to participate.
- What is the Measure of success? “butts in seats” goals, 24 hr recall, surveys (pre/post). Verbal feedback from participants.
- Kelly and Brenda (SUNY Oneonta) can help assess healthy connections program, create evaluation tool. Plan to meet with Michelle, Liz and Nelta to discuss further.
- Governor wants to push farm to school. Healthy breakfast, lunch and snack
- Ag Literacy Week – March 17-21
- Future 2025 PAC meetings dates (all at 6:30 PM): April 28, June 23, and October 6.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25 PM

Next meeting: April 28, 2025, at 6:30 PM