

FCS Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 23, 2025, 6:30 PM

Cobleskill Extension Center, Cooperstown Education Center & Virtual Meeting

**ACTION ITEMS:**

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1. **Call to Order** – EFNEP Educator, Michelle Leveski called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. Michelle asked members to approve the minutes from the previous FCS Advisory meeting.
2. **Roll Call** – Deborah Gansinger Hall, Jessica Hill, Shelby MacLeish, Lindsey Garner, Kelly Martin, Brenda Seery; staff Michelle Leveski, Nelta Miller, Mariah Goodwin, Liz Callahan and Maegan Freeman.
3. **Welcome** – Executive Director, Liz Callahan welcomed Mariah Goodwin as the new Special Programs Educator. Michelle will retire from EFNEP at the end of the Summer; date to be finalized soon. Nelta Miller, current Healthy Connections Educator will transition to the EFNEP Educator position. The association strategic plan has been approved and adopted by the board members.
4. **Program Updates** –
  - a. **EFNEP - Michelle Leveski:**
    - Finished classes Amsterdam and SUCO HeadStart
    - Started 2 series classes in the meeting room at the Cobleskill Office– Needed to open another class to catch overflow from sign-ups. Both classes are completely filled. Nelta is co-facilitating
    - Attended 2 day NYS EFNEP Conference in Ithaca, June 10-11
    - Gearing up for county fairs
    - MOA for FMNP is signed
    - Campus is coming on Thursday
  - b. **Healthy Connections – Nelta Miller:**
    - Shadowing Michelle in preparation to take over EFNEP responsibilities.
    - July – 6 week series with 5C's
    - 6 week series with Hartwick library
    - 6 week series with Gilboa coop
    - Gearing up for county fairs
    - Farmer's Market
    - One time demo at Cobleskill Library

**c. SNAP ED – Maegan Freeman:**

- Huntington Library Summer Reading KickOff – tabling event
- Onetime events at Huntington Library: Aug 6 (Healthy on a budget) and Aug 21 (Move More)
- Cooperstown FM: June 28, Aug 23
- Oneonta FM: July 12, 26, Aug 30
- CROP: Morris, Margaretville, Milford and Laurens
- Morris Family Fun Day – July 18
- Monthly lessons with SSV and RSS
- Gearing up for county fairs

**d. Farm to School – Mariah Goodwin:**

- Learning the grant and reading notes from previous educator
- Moved back from VT (Hill Dean) – did farm to school activities
- Has worked at Farmer’s Museum

**5. New Business –** Shelby mentioned Aug 16 – Summer harvest festival by Butternut Valley Alliance

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 6, 2025 at 6:30 PM.