

2018 Cowley County Extension Council Candidates - Vote for 3 in each Program Development Committee

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Agriculture and Natural Resources		Information	Program Experience	What goals do you envision for Extension?
Bill	Mueller	Retired, at least semi, from a 50 plus year career in law enforcement. Still farming in the South Bend area southeast of Winfield. Member of the 1st Presbyterian Church, Winfield, member of the Rural Water District #6 Board of Directors and member of Cowley County Historical Society Board of Directors. Previously served on the Agriculture PDC and Extension Council Executive Board.	Previously served on the Agriculture PDC and was a member, vice-chair and chair of the Extension Council Executive Board and served on the Finance Committee. Actively took advantage of many of the agriculture informational programs provided by Extension.	Continue to provide Extension consumers with a full range of programs and services in the core areas of Agriculture, Family and Consumer Sciences, 4-H Youth Development and Community Development; and obtain and maintain the appropriate level of funding necessary to retain three, adequately compensated Agents, to provide those services and programs.
Phillip	Bruce	My name is Phillip Bruce I was born raised in Arkansas City. I own and operate Bruce farms. I have been farming all my life. As a young child I was in 4-H. I now have two daughters of my own who enjoy 4-H and one who holds the position as President of the club. I have not currently served on any boards but look forward to serve on a board .	I currently enjoy helping the young children in our local New Horizon 4-H club. I also enjoy going to the local schools on career day to talk about farming and show the young children all about the ways of the land.	To improve the program.
Darrell	Long	Retired Capt. from Winfield Fire Dept. Am now a full time farmer. Was a member of Martha Washington 4-H club for 10 years, also a member of Hackney Community Baptist Church & I am chairman of the Deacon Board. I am also chairman of the board of directors for Valley Coop	Member of Martha Washington 4-H club. Was a member of Cowley County Junior Leaders. I also have attended the Cowley County Leadership course. I have attended many educational programs sponsored by the Cowley County Extension office.	To continue to provide educational programs for adults & youth. And to provide vital information to the Ag community.

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Family and Consumer Sciences		information	Program Experience	What goals do you envision for Extension?
Liz	Lawrence	nurse, homeschool mom, youth at church	Work with youth at church; daughter is a 4-H member	help better community and families
Rocio	Peirce	I am originally from Mexico City, I lived in my hometown until I married my husband. I am a child of God, a Social worker and a full time mom. I worked for 10 years with World Vision Mexico. Now I am a full time mom and wife. I have 2 precious daughters Mia (8) and Eliana (2). Occasionally I help Latino families translating. My hobbies are spending time with my family and exercise has become a number one in my life since I joined Cowley Fitness.	My only experience working with kids and youth here has to be in our ministry in Church. Helping Awanas program and once we were helping with the youth group. I volunteer for my daughter's classroom, helping 3 times a week for 2 hours.	Help. That's my number one priority.
Julie	Swanson	I am a retired teacher and substitute to keep myself busy. I taught 32 years in Ark City. I have been on the FCS PDC committee the past two years and also served on the Executive Board. I grew up in 4-H and know the Extension program in Cowley County is excellent.	When I taught, the extension agents would present programs for my students on health, nutrition, embryology, and many more. I provided nutrition education to the 4 to 6 year olds at IYQ camp in Ark City this past summer.	There is a great need in Cowley County for nutrition education, planning meals, and staying healthy. I would hope the extension office will continue to provide this.

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Community Development		information	Program Experience	What goals do you envision for Extension?
Brian	Biddle	Farm Bureau Insurance Agent - crop specialist Livestock & Crop Producer Cowley County Extension PDC - ag (previous term) & community develop (current) Pleasant Valley Township - trustee Rural Water District #2 - board member	Cowley County Extension PDC - ag (previous term) & community develop (current) Farm Bureau - farm tours	Continued service and value to the members of Cowley County through education, planning, guidance and outreach.
Grady	Martin	Work at GE. Own and operate a cow-calf operation. Serve as a member of the Cowley County Fair Board. Dexter Volunteer Fire Dept. Dexter Civic Club. Involved with Dexter/Otto 4-H Club.	Involved with KLA and Extension programs and find those experiences valuable.	Doesn't want Extension to go away. Important for clients to have access to unbiased, reliable research based information.
Craig	Pringle	Employed with PrairieLand Partners John Deere, Winfield; Cowley County farmer; Cowley County 4-H Alum; former FFA instructor	Currently serves on Community Development PDC.	

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4-H Youth Development		information	Program Experience	What goals do you envision for Extension?
Brett	Thomson	Thomson construction and roofing self employed.	I believe that 4-H gave me the ability to achieve my goals as a business owner	
Amanda	Mugler	I have taught 2nd grade at Dexter Elementary for 13 years. I have served on the 4-H PDC committee for two years. Both of my kids are in 4-H at Dexter.	Several years ago my school participated in the extension activities. I loved them and need to make a better effort of continuing that program in our school.	My goal is to promote 4-H and extension activities positively to our community especially the rural school districts.
Jessie	Bradley	After retiring from teaching, I have loved going feeding cattle with Jim each day. I loved helping 4-H sheep members for many years. Now Sonja Martin and I organize the Round Robin Showmanship contest at the fair. I serve as a member on the Dexter school board.	I have served as a project leader for the Otto 4-H Club for several years. In the past I was a member of the 4-H PDC and served several times as chairperson of the Extension Executive Board.	I would first like our county to remain a three agent and one full-time office professional. Our amazing programming need this goal to succeed. Also I would like to help to resolve our Extension budget shortfalls.