



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: October 16, 2012

Prepared By/Phone Number: David A. Salazar 854-4107

Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Sherri E. Fleming,
County Executive for Health and Human Services and Veterans Service

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Introduction of Julie Ansley, County Extension Agent – Agriculture & Natural Resources, and Nathan Tucker, Extension Agent – Cooperative Extension Program – 4-H.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service conducts educational programs in the areas of family and consumer sciences, agriculture, horticulture, natural resources, 4-H, and youth programs.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

None.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

This item is intended to introduce key staff in the AgriLife organization to members of the Commissioners Court.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

This item will not impact the County Budget.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

Julie Z. Ansley
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Kyle, Texas 78640
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Education:

Master of Science in Agriculture, August 2009
Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Texas

Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Services and Development
Emphasis in Extension and Industry, Minor in Animal Science, May 2005
Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Texas

Professional Development / Trainings:

Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents 2006-2010
Toastmasters International 2012
Capital Area Shelter Hub Shelter Management Training
Homeland Security & Emergency Management
Emergency Management 101 & 102
Incident Command Systems 101

Work History:

County Extension Agent – Agriculture & Natural Resources
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service – Travis County
June 2012 – Present

- Provide leadership for 2 Program Area Committees to ensure quality programming for Travis County in Agriculture & Natural Resources
- Large Animal Subcommittee Chairperson, Central Texas Hub Animal Issues & Emergency Operations
- Create awareness through education of the community in the following subject areas:
 - Livestock, Forage, & Land Management
 - Urban Farming
 - Youth Agriculture & Natural Resources 4-H Projects
 - Pesticide Applications
 - Wildlife Management
 - Water Conservation & Utilization

Animal Science Coordinator

4-H CAPITAL, Travis County, Texas
November 2006 – June 2012

- Train and coordinate Urban Animal Science staff of 12
- In 1.5 year absence of UYD County Agent, was responsible for all outcome/output plans and monthly reports for the 4-H CAPITAL program that employs 45 staff members using the TExAS system

- Created curriculum for Animal Science programming
- Oversee 160 students in the program showing 80 goats at 9 schools
 - Coordinate transportation, meals and clothing for all events
 - Responsible for all goat health and welfare – including feeding and basic medical treatments
- Instructor for after school classes in the following subject areas:
 - Animal Science, Vet Science, & Showmanship
 - Better Living for Texans Nutrition Program & cooking
 - Junior Master Gardener
 - Science, Engineering, Technology and Math using the TEKS
 - Outdoor Education – wildlife and sports fishing

Graduate Assistant, Management & Marketing Department

Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Texas

May 2005 – August 2006

- Business Strategy Instructor
- Advised students on course selection during registration
- Designed/compiled PowerPoint presentations for student recruitment and classroom activities
- Recruited for the Tarleton College of Business

Nathan E. Tucker

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EMPLOYMENT OBJECTIVE

To obtain a position in education that will allow me to use my skills in language, public speaking, and translation to teach others, reach new audiences, and better myself and my community.

SKILLS & INTERESTS

- Spanish language: reading, writing, and conversational skills
- Portuguese language: reading, writing, and conversational skills
- Other languages studied: Italian, Hebrew
- Computer skills: Word processing, spreadsheets, database, programming (excellent knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, Photo Shop)
- Experience teaching private/small group English lessons to non-native speakers
- Volunteer in SHINE/SAIL program in Adult Literacy classes for four semesters
- General business minor

EDUCATION

San Francisco State University; San Francisco, California

M.A., Linguistics: May 2008

GPA: 3.77, Jim Kohn Scholarship recipient

University of Oklahoma; Norman, Oklahoma

B.A., Spanish , Minor : Business, May 2001 : Post-graduate work , 2003

GPA: 3.0, Major GPA: 3.64, Dean's Honor Roll last 3 semesters

WORK EXPERIENCE

Prairie View A & M University CEP Program; Austin, Texas

CEP Agent / 4-H, 2011 – Present

4-H and Youth Development Agent for Travis County. Create and manage 4-H clubs with a focus on low-resource communities. Conduct Childhood Obesity workshops and promote the creation of community gardens.

Texas AgriLife Extension; Austin, Texas

BLT Extension Assistant, 2007 – 2011

Nutrition educator for the Better Living for Texans Program. Taught nutrition classes in English and Spanish. Translated materials. Contacted potential partners and conducted surveys.

SHINE/SAIL Program; San Francisco, California

Student Coordinator/Teaching Assistant, 2004 – 2006

Student coordinator for service learning program at SFSU. Placed student coaches in ESL and Citizenship classes at CCSF satellite campuses. Coordinated Reflection and Orientation and handled administrative duties for the program. Acted as a TA in the Fall '05 semester by grading papers and exams and assisting with lectures and classroom activities.

References

Available upon request.