University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council was organized on October 13, 1954. The Council functions under the leadership of the Associate Dean, Extension and Outreach.

NAME:

The name of this group is University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council.

PURPOSE:

The University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council acts as an advisory group to the Associate Dean, Extension and Outreach and the University of Illinois Extension Administrative Team.

The University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council may make recommendations as a council to University of Illinois Extension on such matters as pertain to the development and furtherance of the University of Illinois Extension program. These recommendations and suggestions may be reported to Extension Councils and other interested groups on campus and throughout the state.

Council members are encouraged to attend meetings of the appropriate Regional Advisory Council and Extension Council in their region to learn of issues in their region.

MEMBERSHIP:

The University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council shall consist of 15-20 members with representation from each Extension region. More than one-half of the membership shall have prior Extension Council experience.

Ex-officio members of the Council will include the Associate Dean and Director, University of Illinois Extension, Assistant to the Director Field Operations, Assistant to the Director Budget and Financial Analysis, Regional Directors and Program Leaders.

NOMINATION PROCESS:

Potential council members will be identified by regional directors, after consultation with local Extension staff. Nominees will be selected with diversity (gender, ethnicity, geography, and occupation) in mind.
Names of nominees will be sent through proper channels to the University of Illinois President for recommendation to the Board of Trustees for official appointment.

**TERM OF MEMBERS:**

Council members will be appointed for a three year term.

Council members may be appointed for a maximum of two consecutive terms.

Members’ appointments are official on September 1; however they generally begin their duties with the fall meeting.

**OFFICERS:**

Officers for the University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council will consist of a Chairman and a Vice Chairman.

**MEETINGS:**

The University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council will meet at least two times per year generally in October and February with special meetings called by the Associate Dean, as necessary.

**MINUTES:**

Minutes are sent to County Directors who distribute to their Extension Council. Regional Advisory Council chairman also receives a copy.

**EVALUATION:**

The effectiveness of the University of Illinois Extension State Advisory Council will be evaluated every three years.