

Ohio JCEP Public Issues Committee Guidelines

Ohio Joint Council of Extension Professionals

I. Committee Selection

- A. Committee members are appointed by the president-elect.
- B. Chair and vice-chair will be selected by the members of the committee present when the vote is taken, no later than October 31. Chair is normally the previous vice-chair.
- C. Vice-chair acts as secretary (Provides committee recommendations in writing to all officers and board members for use in board meetings. Writes minutes of each committee meeting and sends to all committee members, president, president-elect, vice president, past president, secretary and treasurer.).

II. Purpose of Committee

Build and strengthen political and public support for Extension through consistent and targeted communications with local, state, and federal decision makers and agencies; educate and inform members about public issues and legislative matters affecting Extension programs and staff.

III. Public Issues Committee Tasks

- A. Keep abreast of legislative matters and public issues that are of interest to members and keep the membership informed of these matters.
- B. Work collaboratively with CFAES Government Affairs to assist in any manner with legislative luncheons and other events designed to increase support for OSU Extension.
- C. Anticipate changes which will affect Ohio JCEP members (any or all program areas). For example: budgets, program, personnel, to ensure committees are a part of discussion in formulating Extension policies.
- D. Committee formulates its policy recommendations in writing to the board for discussion.
- E. Submit committee's recommendations to all officers and board members.
- F. Work on any additional tasks as decided by president.

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