

2025

Tennessee Extension
Advisory Council



Council Operating Guidelines Synopsis

The membership of the Council shall be made up of the following:

- Four individuals representing each of the three Extension regions.
- A minimum of six and a maximum of nine individuals appointed as at-large members. These individuals shall include key individuals or representatives of key organizations in the state.
- Extension staff members are ex-officio members of the Council.

Expectations:

Council members are expected to:

- Attend and participate in at least two advisory committee meetings per year.
- Participate in special leadership training opportunities provided for Council members by Extension.
- Learn more about Extension programming and its impacts on the people of Tennessee.
- Offer ideas and opinions that will improve Extension in Tennessee.
- Help inform Tennesseans about the value of Extension programs and encourage participation in these programs.
- Be involved in statewide, regional, and county Extension activities.

Terms:

Regional representatives, at-large, regional director, Extension agent, and Extension specialist representatives each serve three-year terms. Members may be re-nominated for another term on the Council after a minimum one-year break in service.

Meetings:

The Council holds two regularly scheduled meetings each year, one in the spring or summer and one in the fall or winter. The first meeting of each calendar year is the annual organizational meeting for the Council. Officers are elected at the fall meeting and assume duties at the beginning of the next calendar year. Additional meetings of the Council may be held during the year as deemed necessary. Each meeting location is determined by the University of Tennessee Dean and Tennessee State University Associate Dean, in consultation with the Council Chair.

The members present at meetings of the Council constitute a quorum.

A simple majority vote of those attending is required to pass a motion, except where specified elsewhere in these guidelines.

Minutes of Council meetings will be kept by an Extension staff member designated by the University of Tennessee Dean and Tennessee State University Associate Dean. Copies of the minutes will be distributed to Council members in a timely fashion following each meeting.

Robert's Rule of Order: Newly Revised will be used to address questions of parliamentary procedure for Council meetings.

Directions for electing officers:

Officers for the Council include a Chair and Vice Chair, and they shall serve one-year terms.

The presiding Vice Chair shall assume the role of Chair at the conclusion of the fall meeting. The Vice Chair shall be elected annually by the attending membership at the regularly scheduled fall meeting.

Council members being nominated for Vice Chair must be serving year one of a three-year term at the time of the nomination. The term of the Vice Chair shall start at the conclusion of the fall meeting.

Current Council Members



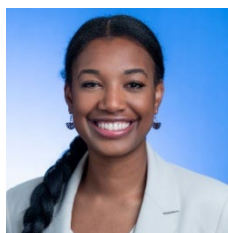
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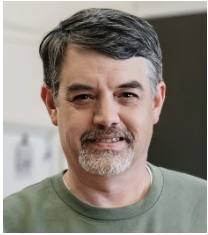
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Former Council Chairs - Last Year Served

Beth Douthat	2024
Barbara Beeman	2023
Lizabeth Mullens	2022
Chloé Ragland	2021
Randall Webster	2020
Heather Whaley	2019
Ken Myers	2018
Bobby Love	2017
Eric Trent McVay	2016
Claire Martin	2015
Connie Rigsby	2015
Kenneth Miller	2014
Manuel McKnight	2013
Becky Richesin	2012
Elaine Lovelace	2011
Dawn Smith	2011
Anita Allen	2010
Carol Aiken	2008
Annette King	2006
Clint Callicott	2005
Joy Wachs	2004
George McDonald	2003
John Byron "Buzz" Barr	2001

Former Council Members - Last Year Served

John Bradley	2024
Maria Braun	2024
Brindy Charles	2024
Jason Luckey	2024
Beth Douthat	2024

George McDonald	2024
Shan Stout	2024
Barbara Beeman	2023
Carlos Calderon-Diaz	2023
Mary Guerke	2023
Todd Jennings	2023
Robby Reece	2023
Cameron Sanford	2023
Caroline Bales	2022
Gwendolyn Gavin	2022
Pam Jenkins	2022
Lizabeth Mullens	2022
Ivy Strickland	2022
Vivian Willaims	2022
Carla Rich	2021
Denton Parkins	2021
Blan Dougherty	2021
John Harrison	2021
Jeff Sellers	2021
Pam Sites	2021
Angela Warden	2021
Shekia Allen	2020
Patricia Woods	2020
Randall Webster	2020
Billy Rochelle	2020
Elaine Lovelace	2020
Undrae Johnson	2020
Alton Freeman	2020
ReGina Etter	2020
Andrew Dixon	2020
Brian Corwin	2020
Caroline Brooks	2020
Zuri Egbuji	2019
Keith Fowler	2019
Lynda Jacobs	2019
James McKissic	2019
Jackie Morgan	2019
Margaret Stalans	2019
Patricia Taylor	2019
Eston Williams	2019
Jordan Combs	2018
Jim Cortese	2018
Gary Daniel	2018
Savannah Dodson	2018
Rena House	2018
Renea Jones	2018
Harold Moses Love, Jr	2018
Ken Myers	2018

Shannon Nehus	2018
Richard Brown	2017
Matt Fennel	2017
Heather Griffin	2017
Sam Latham	2017
Gary Moore	2017
Gayle Quick	2017
Tonya Rooks	2017
Margaret Stalans	2017
Jamey Tosh	2017
Jamie Weaver	2017
Connie Wright	2017
Brooke Glover-Emery	2016
Debby Morgan	2016
Ferne Baxter	2016
John Butler	2016
Lucy Deal	2016
Mack Carter Jr	2016
Mary Lou Burch	2016
Sharon Suggs	2016
Kathy Hopkins	2015
Bobby Wall	2014
Donald Jernigan	2014
Hale Moss	2014
Jenn Garcia	2014
Kathryn Avent	2014
Linda Willis	2014
Lynn Tollett	2014
Mattie Moran	2014
Peter Howard	2014
Ralph Hall	2014
Tiffany Warner	2014
Cathy Helms	2013
Dickie Brewer	2013
Jesse Wilcox	2013
John Pointer	2013
Kay Hale	2013
Sonya Patterson	2013
Daniel Allen	2012
Ed Gumucio	2012
Emma Shupe	2012
Joe Crabtree	2012
Melinda Swafford	2012
Rick West	2012
Alan Burchfield	2011
Tom Edmonds	2011
Gary Brewington	2011
Gracie Lewis	2011

Martha Thomas	2011
Patty Mayhall	2011
Sandra Eichenberger	2011
James Jaycox	2010
James W. Ford	2010
Jimmy Lewis	2010
Nancy Fugate Large	2010
Carla Snodgrass	2009
Carol McBride	2009
Jeanette Armstrong	2009
Dwight Dickson	2009
Karmen Rivers	2009
Lee Todd	2009
Merily Waldron	2009
Richard Dobbs	2009
Becky Ruppe	2008
Brent Griggs	2008
Donald Willis	2008
Kenneth Robinson	2008
Gary Mason	2008
James Menees	2008
Jannis Vanderlinden	2008
Julie Thompson	2008
Maurine Bronaugh	2008
Russell Shelton	2008
Aaron A. Powell Sr	2006
Ashley Ball	2006
Charles Daugherty	2006
Jerry Woods	2006
Sue Bailey	2006
French Richards	2006
Helen Smiley	2006
Linda Jane Gough	2006
Mark Ezell	2006
Rob Revire	2006
Roger Radel	2006
Roosevelt Williamson	2006
Susan Cowden	2006
William A. McNairy	2006
Becky Nichols	2005
Carla Steadman	2005
Charlene B. Key	2005
George Miller	2005
Jim Cox	2005
Jim Frazier	2005
John Lindamood	2005
Alpha Worrell	2004
Alvin Harris	2004

Andy King	2004
George Morgan	2004
Linda Carman	2004
Nancy Neal	2004
William Kelvin Moxley	2004
Cindy Delvin	2003
David Fugate	2003
Delores Johnson	2003
Helen Wynn	2003
Jack Pate	2003
Marcella Henry	2003
Tom Benson	2003
Betty McFarland	2002
Julius Johnson	2002
Kenneth Ray Sneed	2002
Ray Gannon	2002
Tommy Surber	2002
Frank Dennison	2001
Howard Roddy	2001
Jo Dinwiddie	2001
Kitty Coffey	2001
Lelan Statom	2001
Sylvester Davis	2001
Ann Rossi	2000
Dorothy Bond	2000
John Willis	2000
Juanita Carlton	2000
Judson Vines	2000
Marian Oates	2000
Richard Jameson	2000
Rick Rippy	2000
Silas Maxwell	2000

Former Ex-Officio Members - Last Year Served

John Toman	2024
Ashley Stokes	2024
Jerry Lamb	2023
Brigitte Passman	2023
Janie Burney	2022
Mike Buschermohle	2022
Sharon Jean-Philippe	2020
Justin Thomas	2020
Bob Shumake	2020
Laura Stephenson	2019
Richard Clark	2018
Delton Gerloff	2018

Shirley Hastings	2018
Frank Hale	2017
Hilda Lytle	2017
David Perrin	2017
Izetta Slade	2016
Tim Cross	2016
Ben West	2014
Grant Palmer	2014
Herbert Byrd	2014
Steve Sutton	2014
Amy Powell	2013
Javiette Samuel	2012
Thelma Sanders-Hunter	2012
Calvin Bryant	2011
James Stewart	2011
Matt Devereaux	2011
Richard Winston	2010
Clyde E. Chesney	2009
George F. Smith	2009
Alice Ann Moore	2008
Connie Heiskell	2008
Doyle Meadows	2008
H. Charles Goan	2008
Paula Spears	2008
Charles L. Norman	2005
John A. Wilson	2005
Mike Gordon	2005
Margaret Willis	2001
Richard Poling	2001

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