



Rural Committee
February 21, 2006 Kent / MSU Extension
Meeting Minutes
9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Attending: Marsha Wilcox
Cynthia Price
Tom Cary
Kevin Wisselink
Brendie Vega

Staff: Kendra Wills

1. **Meeting called to order at: 9:15 AM by Tom Cary.**
2. **Appointment of PMT Members**
 - a. The group unanimously appointed Cynthia Price, Tom Cary and Bonnie Shupe to represent the Rural Committee on the PMT.
3. **2006 Rural Committee Goals**
 - a. Kendra distributed a handout based on feedback received over email. The attached handout is a revised version to incorporate the discussion that occurred at this meeting. These goals were adopted in principle but this remains a working document.
 - b. United Growth Principles: Kevin agreed to take the first stab at reducing the number of principles, he will then email his results to Cynthia and Andy Bowman and then they will email their results to the Coalition.
4. **Set Rural Committee Meeting Schedule**
 - a. It was proposed over email that the Committee meet on a less frequent basis with longer working meetings. After some discussion it was decided that the Rural Committee will continue to meet after the Coalition as people may stop coming to the Coalition if the Rural Committee does not meet. Each Committee meeting should be a working meeting on a specific goal. Committee meetings will be canceled or the time/location changed to meet the needs of the project/target audience.
5. **Election of Co-Chairs**
 - a. Motion by Cynthia with support from Kevin to elect Bonnie Shupe and Tom Cary as Co-Chairs of the Rural Committee for 2006. Unanimous.
6. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Submitted by,
Kendra Wills