UVM 4-H Advisory Committee

Purpose:

The UVM 4-H Advisory Committee’s purpose is to serve as a sounding board for UVM Extension’s 4-H Director and staff and to provide opinion that can inform policy, direction, and needs of the Vermont 4-H program.

Membership:

* 8 County 4-H representatives – one representative that is identified by each 4-H Educator.

*One representative from each state committee - horse, dairy, shooting sports, sheep, working steer and poultry.

* Two (2) teen representatives (nominations will come from County 4-H Educators)

*Two (2) 4-H Foundation representatives (non 4-H leaders) (nominations will come from County 4-H Educators)

*Ad Hoc Members – the board or director may request participation from outside business or organizations to inform or to participate on sub-committees or working groups as necessary.

The term of representation shall be for at least two (2) years. Terms begin October 1 and end September 30 (the first year, terms will be staggered). Representatives are limited to two, two year terms.

Meetings:

There will be at least two meetings held during the 4-H year, between October 1 and September 30, led by the 4-H Director. Meetings will be no more than 3 hours in length; one in the southern half and the other in the northern half of the state. Times and dates to be decided based upon committee availability. Opportunity for virtual participation (webinar and conference call) will be an option.

Board Action:

The board shall be advisory and yet members are encouraged to vote on issues to clearly communicate positions to the 4-H Director.

Expectations

1) To serve as an ambassador and advocate for UVM Extension 4-H.
2) To actively participate in 4-H county activities and/or meetings ensuring relevance to current programmatic need and direction.
3) To identify trends related to new opportunities for 4-H educational programs.
4) To attend meetings, striving to achieve 100% attendance.
5) To dedicate time to prepare for meeting discussions.
6) To assist in the advancement of UVM Extension branding and fund development efforts.
7) To identify topics and issues for committee discussion.