



## East Baton Rouge Parish FCS Advisory Leadership Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2009  
Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am  
Location: East Baton Rouge Parish Carver Branch Library  
Facilitators: Dr. Sally Soileau Lindquist and Sharman Charles  
Minutes Recorded/Prepared: Dr. Sally Soileau Lindquist

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Members in attendance were as follows:

Dr. Beth Reames	De'Shoin Friendship	Deborah Tucker
Rosetta Gray	Sharon Knighten	Kynisha Francois
Charlotte Lemoine	Eva Davis	Gisele Haralson
Sharman Charles	Dr. Sally Soileau Lindquist	

**Research and Extension Programs**  
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Family/Nutrition/Health  
4-H Youth Programs

Dr. Sally Soileau Lindquist opened the meeting and welcomed council members to the 2009 East Baton Rouge Parish FCS Advisory meeting. Individuals introduced themselves and the agencies they represented to the group. Each member received a packet of FCS materials at entering the meeting which included the meeting agenda, minutes, roles of advisory members and nutrition education materials.

Dr. Lindquist reviewed the roles, structure, and responsibilities of the advisory council with the members. Members reviewed the minutes with Dr. Lindquist, which had also been provided through mail and email prior to the council meeting.

Summary documents of FCS programming in East Baton Rouge Parish were provided to the council members which highlighted the ongoing family consumer science programs conducted in the parish. Dr. Lindquist reviewed these outreach educational program efforts with the council members at the meeting. These programs included FCS nutrition education, FCS resource management education, and EFNEP programs. Eva Davis contributed information related to the 4-H EFNEP programming efforts within the parish.

Documentation on statistical information related to health issues and situational statements for East Baton Rouge Parish were included in the educational packet of information provided to the council participants.

The path forward agenda for council members and Extension faculty was facilitated jointly by Sharman Charles and Dr. Lindquist.

These issues were shared to assist in directing the FCS programming planning in East Baton Rouge Parish:

**Obesity in children and Adults:**

Continue ongoing FCS educational programming. It was suggested that due to the Louisiana statistical data, that East Baton Rouge Extension add more programming efforts focused on Type II diabetes in adults and children, and diabetes awareness/prevention education as appropriate, with personnel authorized to include these topics in educational training programs.

**Diversity:**

Continue to work with the range of groups being served with educational programs and to continue to provide programs for adults and seniors on wellness and food safety.

**Healthy Lifestyles with Youth:**

Committee members discussed STD's with youth who may need educational programs; teen pregnancy prevention programs, parenting programs for teens, and alcohol abuse among teen.

**Continued Programming with Limited-Resource Audiences:**

Continue outreach that is currently being provided to limited-resource audiences.

Sharman Charles announced the overall East Baton Rouge Parish Advisory Council meeting date to be held on Monday, March 30, 2009, at Burden Center, Baton Rouge. Important funding will to be discussed by administrators with stakeholders is planned for the agenda with representatives from parish advisory groups. Critical funding issues are facing the LSU AgCenter and this communication is essential for continuation of programming.

Minutes will continue to be sent to members via email. Sharman Charles and Dr. Sally Lindquist thanked members for their participation and the meeting was adjourned.