Statewide Staff Meeting
July 17th, 2017

Rachel – P-Card purchases
Cardholders making purchases for Food $ense, please make sure that when you input the expense in workflow to do the following:

1. Type the description with the CREATES recipe you’re using, the date, and the location of the class (i.e. FS CR Skillet 9/5/2017 Bridger Elementary). Note, if the purchase was for classes taught at multiple locations, put these additional locations in the comments.

2. Attach the receipt and class attendance

Rachel – AggieTime
It seems as if some supervisors are having troubles getting their approvals to submit correctly. If this happens, submit, then wait for the page to stop loading (look for the spinning wheel to stop). If it still fails to submit correctly after this, you can submit then email Rachel.hansen@usu.edu to ask her if it came in on her end.

Casey – Thumbs Up shelf clips and recipe bags
We have the new clips for the Thumbs Up shelf talkers. They fit all sizes of the shelves and allow the shelf talkers to sit at a 90-degree angle on the shelf, making the Thumbs Up foods more visible. These are now available to order on the order form. Also available for ordering are recipe packing bags. Salt Lake county has recommended these and they are useful for PSE efforts in food pantries. These clear plastic bags with handles allow you to pack all necessary ingredients for a dish (for example, chili) with a recipe card and have them available at food pantries.

Both of these items can be found in the PSE section of the Food $ense supply ordering form.

Jocelin & LaCee – Google and Recruiting Calendars
Food $ense Google Calendar: https://calendar.google.com/calendar/

During our 2017 Management Evaluation by the federal government, they found there was no way to see what SNAP-Ed activities were occurring across the state of Utah. We were told this must be fixed, and we must provide a way for the federal, state, and DWS directors to access a statewide calendar listing all SNAP-Ed events and classes.
Consequently, this Google calendar is mandatory. It will be reviewed and cross-referenced with PEARs data and staff work hours.

The Google calendar allows the state office to see all the wonderful work you are doing! We don't always get a chance to see the ins and outs of your schedule and this helps us see that you are hard at work. We will use this information as we evaluate the program in each of your counties as well as you individually as NEAs. Additionally, the more information you can provide, the more recruiting can be done on your behalf. You'll reap the rewards of the recruiting by having your classes advertised to the target audience in your county.

**Extension Marketing Calendar:** [https://extension.usu.edu/foodsense/calendar](https://extension.usu.edu/foodsense/calendar)

USU Extension produces a calendar to recruit and showcase all Extension events. Extension has requested that Food Sense include their public events on this recruiting calendar. While this is not a mandated calendar from the federal agency, it is extremely important to the stakeholders and USU Extension leadership. As you well know, Food Sense and Extension enjoy an effective working partnership, and we request that you help us comply with their request to include our activities on their calendar.

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**Social Media Reports**

**Snappily Ever After – Kerry Garvin**

[http://snappilyforever.blogspot.com/](http://snappilyforever.blogspot.com/)

This month on Snappily Ever After, we're focusing on things that you can get at the farmers' market. So, I'll be teaching people how to use inexpensive produce that may be hard to prepare, such as greens. If you see something at your farmers' market that is inexpensive but possibly hard to prepare, please send me an email and I can do posts about how to easily use that produce.

**Eat Well Utah – Candi Merrit**

[https://eatwellutah.org/](https://eatwellutah.org/)

Candi gave birth to her twins, Winnie and Ruby Merritt, on July 14, 2017. They are already home and doing great!

Her report: I have blog posts, and other social media posts scheduled in my absence, so you'll still be seeing content that you can share. A post about blueberries is coming up next week, and a post about healthy snacks the following week. August posts will be focused on back to school season with toast, sandwich, and smoothie ideas! They'll also be a post about homemade seasonings and spices and a create an active lifestyle post.

The August newsletter is also scheduled to be sent, so keep an eye out for that. I would still like to encourage each county to collect email addresses as you are out teaching and recruiting. I'd love to broaden the reach of the Eat Well Utah Newsletter to those in your county who have expressed interest in the program. All you have to do is collect names and email addresses and send them to me. I'll do the rest! A monthly email is a great way to keep them thinking about the program and advertising your classes/events.
**County Reports**

**Davis – Becky Hanson**

We are in the middle of our Farm Fresh series, and they are going well. Also, farmers’ markets are keeping us busy!

**Duchesne/Uintah/Daggett – Katherina and Marianne**

We have completed our 2nd week of FMT at the Roosevelt Farmers Market! The families feedback has been positive, stating that they have learned new ways of getting the entire family involved and new recipes that save money and are much healthier than store bought, the favorite healthy/money saving recipe so far was the hummus which was made for .50 cents compared to $4 store bought.

PSE work at the 3 pantries is going well, patrons look forward to Katherina’s visit each month with new recipes that incorporate the items they receive at the pantry.

In June, we held our first annual Stroll or Roll at Uintah County Library. This is an event is for families, and highlights of the activity include an interactive story lining the walking path, a healthy snack, emotional development promotion, and lots of information on family wellness. Families come take a walk around the walking path, read a story which marks the path, and enjoy the company of other families. The event highlights community togetherness, physical exercise, healthy eating, and literacy. Thanks to the partnership provided by the Uintah County Library we had about 350 people come to the Uintah County Library event. We will be holding the event again at two local celebrations in August: UBIC and Duchesne County Fair. This will be the second time that we will hold this event at these celebrations. While the turnout usually isn't as high at Duchesne County events (as compared with Uintah County events), we feel hopeful that many community members will come and participate.

**Emery**

No report

**Garfield – Callie Ward**

Callie is in the process of organizing things as the new Food $ense Supervisor in Garfield County. Holly is doing lots of kids’ kitchen classes. She is also teaching 4-H classes where she’ll be adding in healthy living components from Food $ense curricula.

**Next Meeting**

Next Meeting: August 7th at 10:00 a.m.
Counties Reporting: Iron, Juab, Kane, Millard, Piute