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August 8, 2011

Dr. Thomas Price
Splendora Independent School District
23419 FM 2090
Splendora, TX 77372

Dear Dr. Price,

On behalf of the 4-H members of Montgomery County, we hereby respectfully request that the 4-H organization, by the attached resolution, be sanctioned as an extracurricular activity. The enclosed RESOLUTION should be presented for consideration at the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of Splendora Independent School District. We further request that questions regarding this RESOLUTION be directed to me in a timely manner so that I may prepare and present an appropriate response so as not to delay action on this request.

Finally, we request that a signed copy of this RESOLUTION, along with a copy of the minutes of the Board meeting, be forwarded to us for our files.

Thank you and members of your Board of Trustees for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

M. Michelle Mihalek
County Extension Agent
4-H Youth Development
Montgomery County

Enclosure: RESOLUTION
(Regarding EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION)

MEMORANDUM TO:

DR. THOMAS PRICE

SUBJECT:

ADJUNCT FACULTY REQUEST

The State Board of Education passed an amendment to 19 TAC§129.21 (k)(1). Requirements for Student Attendance Accounting for State Funding Purposes allows public school students to be considered "in attendance" when participating in off-campus activities with an adjunct staff member of the school district. Section 3 of the Student Attendance Handbook state:

(4-12) 1. The student is participating in an activity which is approved by the local board and is under the direction of a professional staff member of the school district or an adjunct staff member. This adjunct staff member must have a minimum of a bachelor's degree and be eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

(4-13) Students participating in any activity which is not approved by the local school board and/or without certified district personnel supervision are counted absent [see 4-12]. To qualify for funding purposes, the certified district staff member/adjunct staff member must be accompanying the students as an official of the school district for the specific purpose of supervising the students and must be approved by the school board to supervise the activity. For example, students participating in 4-H activities which are supervised solely by a County Extension Agent are reported present.

This amendment provides local school boards the opportunity to recognize county Extension agents as adjunct staff members and to count students participating in 4-H/Extension educational activities "in attendance" for Foundation School Program purposes.

Montgomery County requests adjunct staff member status for the county Extension agents for the school year 2011-2012. The following faculty are eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and have a minimum of a bachelor's degree.

Thomas R. LeRoy	CEA - Horticulture	M.S.	August 1977	Texas A&M University
Michael E. Heimer	CEA - Agriculture	M.S.	March 1978	New Mexico State University
Linda L. Mock	CEA - FCS	M.A.	1981	Sam Houston State University
M. Michelle Mihalek	CEA - 4-H & Youth Development	M.Ed	May 1994	Texas A&M University
Caroline M. Cruz	CEA - Urban Youth Development	B.S.	December 2002	Sam Houston State University

I hope that the Splendora Independent School District will accept this request. Please let me know if you would like to schedule an appointment to discuss the amendment and request or if you need further information.

Sincerely,



M. Michelle Mihalek
County Extension Agent - 4-H and Youth Development
County 4-H Coordinator
Attachments: Schedule of Activities
cc: Dr. Dale Fritz, District Extension Administrator, District 9

ADJUNCT FACULTY AGREEMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

On this date, at regularly scheduled and posted meeting, came the Board of Trustees of the Splendora Independent School District, hereinafter referred to as "District. " A quorum having been established, the Board proceeded to consider the appointment of the herein named individual as an adjunct faculty member of the Splendora Independent School District.

Upon consideration and vote of _____ (number) in favor, Montgomery County Extension Agents, are hereby named as adjunct faculty members of the Splendora Independent School District subject to the following conditions and provisions of such appointment, to wit:

1. This appointment shall commence on the _____ day of _____ and end on the day _____ of _____, being the end of the 2011-2012 academic year.
2. Adjunct faculty member will receive no compensation, salary, or remuneration from Splendora Independent School District.
3. Adjunct faculty member is and shall remain an employee, in good standing, of the Texas AgriLife Extension.
4. Adjunct faculty member shall be under the direct supervision of either the District Extension Administrator of District 9, Texas AgriLife Extension.
5. Adjunct faculty member shall receive all group insurance benefits, workman's compensation insurance benefits, unemployment insurance, and any and all other plans for the benefit of Texas AgriLife Extension Service employees. District shall have no responsibility for any of such benefits or plans.

Adjunct faculty member shall direct the activities and participation of students of the school district in sponsored and approved activities as designated from time to time by adjunct faculty member for which notice shall be given to School District administrative personnel. Adjunct faculty members' activities and participation with students of the School District are directed, supervised, and controlled by and through supervisory personnel of Texas AgriLife Extension Service pursuant to the supervisory authority of the District Extension Administrator or County Extension Director. Adjunct faculty member is not the employee of School District, and School District does not nor shall not supervise, direct or control the activities and/or participation of such Montgomery County Extension Agent(s) who has been herein designated as an adjunct faculty member.

This appointment is made by Splendora Independent School District by and through the Board of Trustees of said district for the benefit of allowing voluntary student participation in programs conducted by Texas AgriLife Extension Service in recognition of the educational benefits arising from such participation and activities and/or directed by Texas AgriLife Extension Service. This appointment is made in accordance with the provisions of Section 129.21 (k)(1) of the Texas Administrative Code authorizing the school to deem such participating students in attendance for foundation school program purposes.

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This appointment of the herein named Montgomery County Extension Agents (Texas AgriLife Extension employee) is not intended nor shall be construed as a waiver of any claim or defense of sovereign or governmental immunity from liability now possessed by Splendora Independent School District or any of its employees, agents, officers, and/or board members in the performance of governmental functions.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2011.

Splendora Independent School District

By: _____

Adjunct Faculty Appointment Accepted By:


Tom LeRoy, CEA - Horticulture

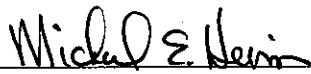

Linda L. Mock, CEA - FCS



Caroline M. Cruz, CEA - Urban Youth Development

Montgomery County Extension Agents

Approved:

By: Dr. Dale Fritz
District Extension Administrator, District 9
Texas AgriLife Extension Service


Michael Heimer, CEA - Agriculture


M. Michelle Mihalek, CEA - 4-H and Youth Development

RESOLUTION

ADJUNCT FACULTY APPOINTMENT FOR ISD'S WHO APPROVE MORE THAN 1 YEAR

MONTGOMERY COUNTY 4-H

CONTINUACE OF EXISTING RESOLUTION

REGARDING

EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION

Splendora ISD has continuously adopted resolutions recognizing the Montgomery County 4-H Organization as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under Title 19, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities. As designee for the Board, I extend and make continuous the resolution last adopted on October 18, 2010. Participation by 4-H members under provisions of this resolution are subject to all rules and regulations set forth under the 19 Texas Administrative Code as interpreted by the board through the designated officials of Splendora ISD whose rulings shall be final.

This resolution shall be continuous unless and upon written notice by the Board or their designee that the resolution is withdrawn, or the law changes.

Adjunct faculty status is granted to all members of the current county Extension faculty, who meet the eligibility requirements for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and have a minimum of a bachelor's degree. The county Extension staff will annually provide a current list of adjunct faculty to the appropriate principal on or before request of completion of Declaration of Eligibility Forms. If the faculty changes, the list shall be edited by the county Extension staff and forwarded to the appropriate principal(s). This appointment is subject to the following conditions and provisions of such appointment, to wit:

1. Adjunct faculty member will receive no compensation, salary, or remuneration from Splendora ISD.
2. Adjunct faculty member is and shall remain an employee, in good standing, of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service.
3. Adjunct faculty member shall be under the direction of either the District Extension Administrator, Extension District, or Montgomery County Extension Director.
4. Adjunct faculty member shall receive all group insurance benefits, workman's compensation insurance benefits, unemployment insurance and any and all other plans for the benefit of Texas AgriLife Extension Service employees. District shall have no responsibility for any such benefits or plans.

Adjunct faculty members shall direct the activities and participation of students of the school district in sponsored and approved activities as designated from time to time by adjunct faculty member for which notice shall be given to School District administrative personnel. Adjunct faculty members' activities and participation with students of the School District are directed, supervised, and controlled by and through supervisory personnel of Texas AgriLife Extension Service. Adjunct faculty members are not the employee of the School District and School District do not, nor shall not supervise, direct or control the activities and/or participation of such Montgomery County Extension Agents who have been herin designated as adjunct faculty members.

This appointment is made by Splendora Independent School District by and through the action of the Board of Trustees of said District for the benefit of allowing voluntary student participation in programs conducted by

Texas AgriLife Extension Service in recognition of the educational benefits arising from such participation and activities and/or directed by Texas AgriLife Extension Service. This appointment is made in accordance with the provisions of Section 12921 (k)(1) of the Texas Administrative Code authorizing the school to deem such participating students in attendance for Foundation School Program purposes.

This appointment of the Montgomery County Extension Agents (Extension employees) is not intended nor shall be construed as a waiver of any claim or defense of sovereign or governmental immunity from liability now possessed by Splendora Independent School District or any of its employees agents, officers and/or board members in the performance of governmental functions.

For the Board

Superintendent of Schools

Splendora ISD

Date

RESOLUTION
regarding
EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION

Be it hereby resolved that upon this date the duly elected Board of Trustees of the Splendora Independent School District meeting in public with a quorum present and certified did adopt this resolution that recognizes the Montgomery County Texas 4-H Organization as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities.

Participation by 4-H members under provisions of this resolution are subject to all rules and regulations set forth under the 19 Texas Administrative Code as interpreted by this Board and designated officials of this school district whose rulings shall be final.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2011.

(For Board of Trustees)

(Superintendent)

2011-2012

Schedule of Activities

(County Agents will be attending)

East Montgomery County Fair	September 9 – 18
State Fair of Texas (Dallas)	September 30 – October 23
Ft. Worth Stock Show and Rodeo	January 13 – February 4
San Antonio Livestock Exposition	February 9 – 26
Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo	February 28 – March 18
Star of Texas Fair & Rodeo	March 9 – 24
Montgomery County Fair	April 13 - 22
District 9 4-H Roundup	May 4-5