



## PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 2.

**DATE OF MEETING:** July 23, 2012

**REQUESTED BY:** Lauren Langley, Cooperative Extension Agent, 4-H Youth Development

**SHORT TITLE:** Presentation by 4-H delegates about their recent experience at 4-H Citizenship NC Focus in Raleigh, NC during June 11-13, 2012.

**BACKGROUND:** During the April 16, 2012 County Commissioner meeting, funds were requested to send two 4-H youth to 4-H Citizenship NC Focus held in Raleigh, NC during June 11-13, 2012. Funds were awarded to 4-H members Jesse Gales and Taylor Philemon to attend the conference where they learned about state government, working with public officials, advocacy, and more! Youth met with Senator Bill Rabon on the last day during their visit to the legislative buildings. Delegates were required to come up with an action plan to implement back in their county upon return from the conference. Pender County 4-H delegates have chosen to do a voter registration drive and a clothing/shoe drive as a result of the conference.

4-H Citizenship NC Focus is a unique leadership opportunity for 4-H youth ages 14-18 in downtown Raleigh, NC on June 11-13. Hands-on workshops, panel discussions, distinguished speakers, and open discussion will help youth discover how government impacts everyday life, and how they can impact government in return. Youth will learn about state government, working with public officials, hear from prominent NC officials, and visit legislatures.



