



## GREEN LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

### DECEMBER 10, 2013

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson Schweder at 3:00 p.m., on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 with certification of the Open Meeting Notice and Pledge of Allegiance.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Maureen Schweder, Michael Stoddard, and Harley Reabe. Nick Toney and Ben Moderow, absent.

### EDUCATORS/STAFF/GUESTS PRESENT

Nav Ghimire, Beth Johnson (Educators), Kathy Ninneman and Kim Zills (staff); Michael Starshak. John de Montmollin, absent.

### AGENDA

**Motion/second (Stoddard/Reabe)** to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

### MINUTES

**Motion/second (Reabe/Stoddard)** to approve the November 12, 2013 Minutes. Motion carried.

### LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT

Christine Carroll.

### COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Written report on file. Princeton Library is in a discovery period as how they will move forward in the process of their addition to their building. There are many Christmas activities going on at each of the libraries. Everyone is invited to stop by and see all of the beautiful decorations, especially the display with old books.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS – 3 MINUTE LIMIT

None.

### PUBLIC APPEARANCES

None.

### CORRESPONDENCE

None.



## Fair Committee Discussion – 2013 Fair

### 2013 FAIR UPDATES – DISCUSSION

Zills received the final 10% payment and gave the results to the Committee. She will make the updates, as stated from the Committee. As far as the Adopt-A-Pen, Zills received a \$555 grant from the Oshkosh Community Foundation and the total for the project as of now is \$11,355.00. Ghimire presented the Committee, on behalf of de Montmollin, with the Fair Superintendent's T-Shirt results. The cost of the t-shirts are \$14.75, with an extra \$2 charge for the larger sizes, from Custom Ink, which is an online source. A total of 37 are needed, but would like to also get extras, in case there is an increase in superintendents. **Motion/second (Schweder/Stoddard)** to approve the purchase of the t-shirts. Motion carried. Approved 3-0.

### 2014 CONTRACTS – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Zills has one contract from the Nicole Kottke band, who is from Oakfield, \$2,000, for Thursday night of the fair. **Motion/second (Reabe/Stoddard)** to table the Nicole Kottke band contract to the January 14, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.



## UW-Extension Committee Discussion

### EDUCATOR REPORTS

Written monthly reports are on file for Ghimire, Johnson and de Montmollin.

1. **Nav Ghimire, Agriculture Agent** – Ghimire gave a report entitled “Is Amish Community Responding to Change?” Soil Testing – Ohio Vs. UW-Labs.
2. **Q&A of Educators’ Submitted Monthly Reports**

### CNRED EDUCATOR UPDATES

Ghimire reported that the job is posted on the UW-Extension web site and the last date to submit an application is December 24, 2013. Ghimire said that he will be

meeting with Tom Schmitz before the end of the year. They will be looking to interview at the end of January.

## APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

***Motion/second (Stoddard/Reabe).*** Approved.

## COMMITTEE DISCUSSION – REPORT OF LAST MONTH’S MEETING – INCLUDING Q&A

- a. Property & Insurance Committee – Stoddard reported that the Food Pantry project is completed on the interior. Maintenance will be removing the carpet. Stoddard read a thank you from the Food Pantry, thanking everyone for their hard work and dedication on the remodeling of the building.
- b. Personnel Committee – Schweder reported they approved an increase in hours for the part-time secretary/floater position in the County Clerk’s office from 1040 hours per year to 1500 per year. A notice from the US Department of Treasury and the IRS was received that modified the rule for health flexible spending arrangements. The rule was, use it or lose it every year and now employers can permit employees to use up \$500 of unused amounts in the next year. Approved filling the County Conservationist position.
- c. Finance Committee – Reabe reported the property in Princeton has been sold and there are two properties in Berlin that are still waiting to be sold. They did approve the Committed Funds, which will go before the County Board in December for final approval.

## VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION

***Motion/second (Stoddard/Reabe)*** to approve vouchers for Ag/Extension Education totaling \$4,319.89. Motion carried.

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

## NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting date is Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

## ADJOURNMENT

***Motion/second (Stoddard/Reabe)*** to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Ninneman  
Account Clerk