

# AGRIGULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE January 12, 2016



The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson Maureen Schweder at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Maureen Schweder, Chair

Joanne Guden, Vice-Chair

Patti Garro David Richter Michael Stoddard

Staff Present: Nav Ghimire

Jay Dampier

John de Montmollin Katie Gellings Kathy Ninneman

Staff Absent: Kim Zills and Amanda Miller

Others Present: Linda DeNell, Caesecker Public Librarian and Harley Reabe, floater.

#### **AGENDA**

Motion/second (Stoddard/Richter) to approve the amended agenda as presented. Motion carried.

#### **MINUTES**

*Motion/second (Guden/Garro)* to approve the December 8, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None.

**PUBLIC APPEARANCES** – None.

#### **COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT**

Submitted monthly reports on file. DeNell gave a brief report of events going on at the area county libraries.

**CORRESPONDENCE** – None.

### TRUCK/TRACTOR PULL UPDATE

Nothing to report.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACTS**

No contracts for this month.

#### **INFORMATIONAL HANDOUTS**

No handouts for this month.

#### **EDUCATOR REPORT**

Ghimire, Ag Agent, presented to the Committee, 2015 Programs "Vegetable Programs with Amish."

## <u>Q&A OF EDUCATORS' SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS & RELEVANT TRAININGS, MEETINGS & PROGRAMS</u>

Written monthly reports on file for Dampier, de Montmollin, Gellings, Ghimire, and Miller were reviewed. Dampier handed brochures to the Committee about the "Community Builders Series" and gave a brief report.

#### **UW-EX KITCHEN STOVE**

Gellings reported there was a stove purchased by the previous department head and Family Living Educator. That stove was wired for 120 watts and is not sufficient for Educators' use. We have purchased a two burner hot plate wired for 220 watts which is sufficient. Approval is needed to sell the stove.

**Motion/second (Guden/Garro)** to sell the stove. Approved. Ghimire will check with Marge Bostelmann to see what next steps need to be taken to get this done.

#### **NAV GHIMIRE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL APPROVAL**

Ghimire explained to the Committee about these conferences. *Motion/second (Garro/Richter)*. Approved.

#### UWEX HONORS MIKE STODDARD FOR HIS LONG SERVICE AS COMMITTEE MEMBER

Ghimire accredited Stoddard for his years of service on the Ag/Extension Education & Fair Committee where he was honored at a recent WACEC (Wisconsin Associated County Extension Committees) meeting. Stoddard will be presented with an award at the February 16<sup>th</sup> County Board meeting.

#### **UW-EXTENSION REORGANIZATION AND RECOMMENDATION REPORT**

Ghimire handed the Committee a "UW-Extension Reorganization Recommendations" report that was presented to UW-EX Chancellor, Cathy Sandeen, on December 21, 2015, which she shared with the entire UW-Extension and County partners on Thursday, January 7, 2016. He suggested to the Committee to take their time and read it over. If anyone would like to give feedback to the Chancellor, they may via phone or email. Tom Schmitz, UW-EX North Central Regional Director, will be attending the April 12, 2016 Committee meeting. Reabe attended the WACEC annual meeting on Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, and commented that everyone is concerned from there, that any input or comments will hopefully not fall on deaf ears.

#### APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

Motion/second (Guden/Stoddard). Approved.

#### **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

Nothing.

#### **VOUCHERS**

*Motion/second (Guden/Garro)* to approve the vouchers for Ag/Extension Education and Fair as presented: 2015 claims totaling \$2,024.51; 2016 claims totaling \$230.00. Motion carried.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Next regular meeting date: Tuesday, February 9, 2016 in the Training Room at 10:00 a.m.
- · Garro will not be at the February 9, 2016 meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion/second (Stoddard/Guden) to adjourn at 10:45 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ninneman, Program Specialist