



The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairman, Joanne Guden, at 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 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: Joanne Guden, Chairman
Patti Garro
Katie Mehn
David Richter
Bob Schweder

Staff Present: Jay Dampier
John de Montmollin
Kathy Ninneman
Kim Zills

Staff Absent: Amanda Miller
Katie Gellings

Others Present: Harley Reabe, County Board Chairman; Clairellyn Sommersmith, Princeton Public Library; Mark Arend, Assistant Director, Winnefox Library System and Tony Daly, Berlin Journal Newspapers reporter.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Motion/second (Richter/Garro) to approve the May 9, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – RESOLUTION TO HIRE AGRICULTURE AGENT

Harley Reabe, County Board Chairman, explained to the Committee that he received a letter from the President of Farm Bureau, Dave Wilke, to consider filling the Ag Agent position as soon as possible. This is something the agriculture community feels is a great need in our county. Reabe requested the adoption to draft a Resolution and have it sent to the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents, University of Wisconsin-Extension Chancellor, University of Wisconsin-Extension, Cooperative Extension Dean and Assistant Deans, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Counties Association, State Senator of District 14, State Representatives of Districts 41 and 42, Speaker of the State Assembly, President of the State Senate, and the Governor of Wisconsin.

Motion/second (Schweder/Garro) to adopt the Resolution and include the following names when sending it on: Executive Director of the WI Counties Association, Speaker of the State Assembly and President of the State Senate. Motion carried.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES – None.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT – CLAIRELLYN SOMMERSMITH & MARK AREND

Submitted monthly reports on file. They reported on their circulation numbers and the decrease as well. The 2018 Budget was a concern as they have a formula to present next month. They are hoping to continue with the current programs at the county libraries, according to funding for the following year. The formula is based on circulation and actual cost. The County Library 2018 Budget request will be tabled to the July meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE – Alliant Energy Foundation letter and \$1,000 grant for the Fair; Cumulus – WPKR radio advertising thank you.

2017 FAIR CONTRACTS

No contracts. Creepy Crawly will have a revision to come.

TRUCK/TRACTOR PULL UPDATES

Zills reported that Swanke has until July to present a contract.

UTILITIES USAGE FOR FAIR

Zills reported the Fair will continue to pay a surcharge every quarter.

ELECTRICAL UPDATE FOR TRACK

Zills received an email from Nicki Wagner, who is in charge of the beer sales for the track events. There was discussion regarding a generator and finding the correct one that will be conducive for Wagner to use without a lot of overseeing. Zills will report back in July with options.

INFORMATIONAL HANDOUTS/ADVERTISING DISTRIBUTION

All of the fair promotional material.

EDUCATORS' SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS & RELEVANT TRAININGS, MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

Written monthly reports on file for Dampier and deMontmollin. Dampier and de Montmollin gave brief verbal reports of their current programming.

REQUEST FOR CREDIT CARD

Dampier reported that through changes and policy, Schmit is opening up to all departments to request a credit card. Our office has requested one under the name of Kathy Ninneman, with a limit of \$1,500, to be used for ordering educational materials and booking approved travel. We can still use the county clerk's credit card as well.

Motion/second (Garro/Richter) to approve the credit card request. Motion carried.

COVERAGE OF AGRICULTURE AGENT DUTIES

Dampier reported on the agriculture calls that our office has received. He is also attending the CWAS meetings in May and in July.

RESOLUTION TO HIRE AGRICULTURE AGENT

Moved to Public Comments.

SUMMER INTERN UPDATE

Ali Brownlow, from Berlin, has accepted the Summer Intern position. She will be starting on Wednesday, June 14 for a half day and a 4-H Camp Orientation on Friday. Her first full week is June 19. She will be helping in a variety of areas with UMOS, Boys & Girls Club, 4-H, Amish, Fair etc.

nEXT GENERATION OF UW-EXTENSION

deMontmollin reported that they received a good response from everyone around the state regarding the 42-page document. Their part of the process is to be completed by June 30, 2017. The Area Extension Director selections will be hired very soon and in place on July 1, 2017. The Dean is committed to having the model in place by January 1, 2018.

Garro left the meeting at 9:58 a.m. and returned at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

Motion/second (Richter/Garro). Approved.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION - None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- nEXT Generation

- If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Dampier.
- Next regular meeting date: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 in the Training Room at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Mehn/Garro) to adjourn at 10:11 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ninneman, Program Specialist