

AGRIGULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE July 11, 2017



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, July 11, 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 Katie Gellings Kathy Ninneman Kim Zills Amanda Miller Ali Brownlow
- Others Present: Cathy Schmit, County Administrator; Harley Reabe, County Board Chairman; Linda DeNell, Caestecker Library Director; Laura Fultz-Youngstrum, Berlin Public Library Director; Cindy Wallace, Winnefox Cooperative Tech Services Office; Mark Arend, Assistant Director, Winnefox Library System; Todd Morris, Conservationist of Land Conservation, 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 June 13, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

WELCOME UW-EX SUMMER INTERN

Guden welcomed new Summer Intern, Ali Brownlow, to the UW-EX Office. Brownlow told a bit about her personally and areas where she will be helping out with this summer in the office.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES – None.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD NOMINATION

Todd Morris, Conservationist of Land Conservation, representing the Drainage Board reported they have one vacant spot to fill on the Drainage Board. Morris said he has received one nomination paper, Dick Severson, who is currently on the board. *Motion/second (Garro/Richgter)* to forward the nomination for appointment on to Judge Slate. Motion carried.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT - LINDA DENELL & AREA LIBRARIANS & MARK AREN

Submitted monthly reports on file. DeNell highlighted areas the library is focusing on for programs and Schweder reported on events happening at the Princeton Library.

COUNTY LIBRARY PLAN OF SERVICE AND FUNDING AGREEMENT

Arend handed out copies of the 2018 Library Funding Request information to committee members and went through and explained the process. He also gave examples of why people are using libraries.

Motion/second (Richter/Garro) to send it to Cathy Schmit, County Administrator. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – None.

2017 FAIR CONTRACTS

No contracts.

TRUCK/TRACTOR PULL UPDATES

Zills has not received a contract as of yet. She is to contact Swanke and he has until Thursday to have them in the UW-EX Office.

ELECTRICAL UPDATE/OPTIONS FOR TRACK

Zills is continuing to work on this project.

PRE-FAIR MAINTENANCE

This is being worked on between Highway and Maintenance. All costs will be put into the Fair Budget.

FAIR BUDGET/STATE AID

State Aid is not received until months after the following year. An estimate will be entered and once the auditors have it, the exact amount will be entered.

FAIR SET-UP NIGHT/VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Fair Set-Up Night is Thursday, July 27 at 6:30 p.m. Zills is working on the volunteer schedule.

INFORMATIONAL HANDOUTS/ADVERTISING DISTRIBUTION

2018 calendar from 4Imprint.

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

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

Mehn was excused from the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

AREA EXTENSION DIRECTOR/DEPARTMENT HEAD COORDINATION

Dampier explained his new job/title, which he assumed as of July 1, 2017. He is continuing to address the department head role going forward. He is now fully state funded. He is in the process of visiting the four other counties and their county fairs and meeting with county committees. He is also finishing up his committed four key Green Lake County programs. His location of office is still being determined.

UPDATE ON THE 2018 BUDGET PROCESS

Dampier explained the new process to the committee. All new hires will be academic staff. All faculty will remain as faculty. The Committee has some things to research and look into before making any decision.

nEXT GENERATION OF UW-EXTENSION

deMontmollin thanked the Committee for allowing him to serve as he is finished in his role. The new model proposes six base positions with multiple centers that will be aligned within. Over time, the educators' job could switch depending on the needs of the counties. If any committee members would like a copy of the 63 page report, contact John.

FOODWISE RECONFIGURATION

Miller reported that Fond du Lac/Green Lake have been paired for 20 years. As of October 1, Green Lake-Marquette-Waushara will be paired together, according to their fiscal year. Cara Cross will be the FoodWIse coordinator for our area.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

Motion/second (Garro/Richter). Approved.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION -

Swanke joined the meeting at 9:45 a.m. Guden asked for his contracts, but they are not 100% complete. He has until Thursday to have them completed. He will also be doing a gate survey to help with future advertisements of the event.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- nEXT Generation
- · If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Dampier.
- Next regular meeting date: Tuesday, August 8, 2017 in the Training Room at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Schweder/Guden) to adjourn at 10:35 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ninneman, Program Specialist