



GREEN LAKE COUNTY
AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION
& FAIR COMMITTEE

October 9, 2007

The meeting of the Green Lake County Ag, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson Hollander at 8:30 a.m., on Tuesday, October 9, 2007, with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

M. Hollander, W. Williams, M. Stoddard, and S. McConnell.

EDUCATORS/STAFF PRESENT

J. Hoffman, C. Hargrave, M. Spaulding, A. Kavanaugh, and K. Zills.

LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT

L. DeNell, C. Carrol

AGENDA

Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to approve the September 11, 2007 minutes. Motion carried.

LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Carrol reported on the Renaissance Costume program to be held the evening of October 9, 2007. This program is part of Shakespeare on the Fox. A Haunted Wisconsin program will be held on October 23. The Berlin library is also beginning the bidding process for renovations to the building. The Kingston library is hosting an exhibit on painted chairs. The chairs will later be auctioned as a fundraiser for the library. Carrol stated that the exhibit is impressive.

DeNell reported on the presentation to be given by Wisconsin author Clark Kidder on orphan trains on October 9, 2007. The presentation will be followed by refreshments and the annual Friends meeting. Artwork by Tim Schultz is being featured during the month of October.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

EDUCATOR REPORTS

Written reports are on file.

Hargrave: Hargrave handed out a questionnaire seeking committee advice on who Extension clientele are and how UWEX can better serve them. As follow up, Hargrave will continue to collect email addresses since some clients may prefer this method of communication. She will also consider more radio advertising, and paper advertising at locations frequented by the Amish population.

Slark: Slark was not present. It was reported that the 4-H Leader's Banquet is to be held on October 11, and Youth Awards Banquet to be held on October 14. Zills explained that the decision to hold the youth event during afternoon hours would allow the youth to be home earlier.

Spaulding: Spaulding reported that she attended the National Association meeting in Saint Paul, MN (September 17-21). She thanked the committee for their support and reiterated the need for local extension agents. A Family Living Input meeting was held on September 26 but was poorly attended. Upcoming events discussed include a three-part health education series in November, a holiday cooking class on November 8, and the continuation of the Strengthening Families series in Wautoma.

Hoffman: It was reported that Hoffman facilitated a location committee meeting on October 1. Significant progress was made regarding jail beds and department location. However, many decisions remain to be made. Three options will be presented to the County Board at their next meeting.

Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to approve out of county days for the educators: Hoffman (4.5);, Hargrave (5);, Slark (1); , and Spaulding (7). Motion carried.

WACEC DISTRICT PLANNING MEETING

Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to approve Hollander's attendance and Per Diem. Motion carried.

WACEC STATE PLANNING '08

Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to approve Hollander's attendance and Per Diem for the October 12, 2007 meeting. Motion carried.

TURNING POINT TECHNOLOGY

Hoffman explained that the department would like to purchase the interactive Turning Point technology with carryover money. He read a reply received from the Information Technology department denying the request. He asked the committee for suggestions. McConnell will accompany Hoffman to the next Information Technology Committee meeting to ask in person if the request could be reconsidered. McConnell will request that the discussion be added to the agenda.

Motion/second (Stoddard/McConnell) The committee agrees that the Turning Point technology would be a worthwhile investment for the UW-Extension department and respectfully asks that the request be reconsidered. Motion carried.

BREAK

9:55a.m. Meeting reconvened at 10:05a.m.



Fair Committee Discussion – 2007 Fair

TRACK EVENTS – UPDATE/REPORT

Zills reported that total Demolition Derby (August 4, 2007) profit was \$4,244.79. Although this was lower than expected, poor attendance due to weather was blamed.

ATV Races (August 3, 2007) resulted in a \$610.20 loss. Hoffman suggested a discussion with the ATV Club to find a way to bring more people in, as there has been a loss three years in a row.

FOOD STAND/FUNDRAISING PROFITS

Zills reported that 10% revenues from food vendors totaled \$5,058.51.

FALL DISTRICT MEETING

Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to approve attendance and Per Diem for Hollander and Zills for the October 10, 2007 Fall District meeting. Motion carried.

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

- a. Property & Insurance Committee – Stoddard reported that 4-H and Youth Development items up for approval were approved.
- b. Personnel Committee – No Report
- c. Finance Committee – No Report

VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR

Motion/second (Stoddard/McConnell) to sign vouchers. Motion carried.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. in the Courthouse Demonstration Room.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Hollander/Stoddard) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Kavanaugh
Account Clerk II