

**JULY 14, 2009**

The meeting of the Green Lake County Ag, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson McConnell at 8:30 a.m., on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**EDUCATORS/STAFF PRESENT**

C. Hargrave, A. Kavanaugh, D. Slark, M. Spaulding and K. Zills

**GUESTS PRESENT**

None

**LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT**

M. Arend, L. Hazlewood and C. Carroll

**AGENDA**

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

**MINUTES**

*Motion/second (Williams/Schweder) to approve the June 7, 2009 minutes. Motion carried.*

**LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT**

Written report on file.

**PROPOSED 2010 BUDGET FOR AREA LIBRARIES**

Arend referred the committee to the proposed 2010 Winnefox Library System proposed budget (copy on file). The budget had been updated due to an error in the original publication. Discussion followed.

*Motion/second (Schweder/McConnell) to forward the library budget to the Finance Committee for review and processing. Motion carried.*

## **PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS**

None

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Zills reported that she had gotten thank you notes after the Fair Press Luncheon from Maureen Schweder and an area radio station.



## **Fair Committee Discussion – 2009 Fair**

## **FAIR ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACTS**

Zills informed the committee that she had a contract from Richard Swanke for the Truck and Tractor Pull.

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to sign presented contract. Motion carried.*

## **OFFICE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

Spaulding explained that Fair Office volunteers are still needed for the fair, and passed around a sign-up sheet to committee members.

## **MEETING WITH A&P ON 8/9/09**

Zills informed the committee that A&P (carnival) does not wish to meet with Fair staff or the committee after the fair, due to time constraints. A&P will be in contact with fair staff throughout the fair in case of problems. The August Agriculture/Extension Education and Fair Committee meeting will be two days after the fair, on August 11. Discussion followed, with the general consensus being that it would be unnecessary to have a scheduled Agriculture/Extension Education and Fair Committee meeting on the last day of the fair. McConnell requested that written concerns or complaints from A&P (if applicable) be forwarded to the committee for future discussion.

*Motion/second (McConnell/Schweder) to hold no meeting on Sunday, August 9, due to the regularly scheduled committee meeting on Tuesday, August 11. Motion carried.*

## **PRESS LUNCHEON**

Zills reported that the Fair Press Luncheon was much better attended than it was in 2008.

## FAIR UPDATE

Zills reported that premium money from the state was being reinstated for two years.

## BREAK

9:21 a.m. – Meeting reconvened at 9:29 a.m.

## UW-Extension Committee Discussion

## EDUCATOR REPORTS

Written reports are on file for the Educators.

**Spaulding:** Spaulding reported that her *StrongWomen* class is complete. Follow up test results were very impressive. The Berlin School District will host Spaulding's next *StrongWomen* class, and will pay mileage. The Wellness Coalition will be participating in a statewide leadership program, and other upcoming programming includes a class on finances, family day camp and updating the Dads, Kids and Pizza program. Spaulding is beginning the tenure process, which will be in addition to her job duties.

**Kauffeld:** Kauffeld was not present, due to a funeral.

**Hargrave:** Hargrave reported that her crop bus tour had a great turnout. The tour covered insect pressure and the group toured the Rosendale Dairy. A Heart of the Farm luncheon was held, covering the topic of stress and depression. A crop walk was held, and the Seven County Team that Hargrave is a part of is in the process of planning upcoming programming. Hargrave continues to answer many horticulture questions for the public.

**Slark:** Slark played the 4-H marketing video he developed for the committee. The video was sent to each 4-H Agent in Wisconsin for their use. After the viewing, Slark informed the committee that he would like to make a video every few years, highlighting different areas and opportunities in 4-H.

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams)* to approve out of county days for the educators: Hargrave (1), Slark (2), Kauffeld (undetermined), and Spaulding (2.5). Motion carried.

## FURLOUGH FOR AGENTS

Slark informed the committee that the Agents received more details on the required furlough days (eight days each year in the next two years). Required furlough days will be: March 22, May 24, the day after Thanksgiving and the day after New Year's Day. The other four days each year will be left to the discretion of the Agents.

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

- a. Property & Insurance Committee – Stoddard reported that the building project continues to go well. People will continue to remove their own garbage from county parks.
- b. Personnel Committee – Schweder reported that the committee discussed employee insurance policies and layoff procedures.
- c. Finance Committee – McConnell reported that the Sheriff’s Department is requesting more staff for the new building. It is hoped that cost savings would eventually offset this expense.

**VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR**

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Schweder) to sign vouchers. Motion carried.*

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. in the Courthouse County Board Room (due to training being held in the Demonstration Room).

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Kavanaugh  
Account Clerk