



GREEN LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 14, 2012

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson McConnell at 8:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

S. McConnell, M. Stoddard, M. Whirry and M. Schweder. T. Traxler absent.

EDUCATORS/STAFF/GUESTS PRESENT

D. Slark, N. Ghimire, B. Johnson, J. Kauffeld, K. Zills and K. Ninneman (staff).

LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT

Christine Carroll.

AGENDA

Motion/second (Stoddard/Whirry) to approve the adjusted agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Schweder/Stoddard) to approve the January 10, 2012 Minutes. Motion carried.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Written report on file. All the libraries are doing their annual reports and starting up their children's story times, along with various other programs.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

DEAN SLARK, 4-H & YOUTH DEV. EDUCATOR / EDUCATOR REPORTS

Slark: Written monthly report on file. Slark passed around a hand out with several key points regarding his topic this month, "Shorten Meetings Strategies." The

committee will definitely work on some of these key topics and try to shorten the meeting times.



Fair Committee Discussion – 2011 Fair

2012 ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACTS:

MAD DOG & MERRILL/SHOWS & GRILLING CONTEST; NICOLE KOTTKE-BAND; JOLLY GIANT ENTERTAINMENT, LLC; UB THE BAND; BETTY TRENT FACE PAINTING; MILLER & MIKE COMEDY/JUGGLING SHOW; THANK A FARMER MAGIC SHOW; KAREN BURRELL-FAMILY ENTERTAINER (2013) - DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Motion/second (Whirry/Stoddard) to approve the above fair entertainment contracts. Motion carried.

TRACK EVENT OPTIONS/FRIDAY EVENING – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Zills told the committee she has two options for them to look at: lawn mower races (\$4,000 + bales of hay and stack them up), and a horse pull from David Kohn (\$1,500). Zills will get a contract from Kohn and next month there will be a discussion on gate fee. *Motion/second (Stoddard/Whirry)* to approve the horse pull from David Kohn. Motion carried.

2012 MAINTENANCE REQUESTS – DISCUSSION

Zills met with Jerome Jahnke and will be going to Modern Pole to get a quote for the screening by the track that has to be replaced. The Livestock Committee is checking into the cost of the shade tarp between the barns.

10% REVENUE FUNDS – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Zills commented this was included in last month's packet totaling \$24,799.32. Whirry suggested putting this amount towards the screening and the tarp. *Motion/second (McConnell/Whirry)* to take part of these funds to pay for the screening and the tarp. Motion carried. It will be brought back and discussed further at the March meeting, if there are any other areas that could benefit from these funds.

BREAK

9:30 a.m. Meeting reconvened at 9:40 a.m.



UW-Extension Committee Discussion

EDUCATOR REPORTS

BETH JOHNSON, FAMILY LIVING EDUCATOR – REQUEST FOR OUTSIDE FUNDING – DISCUSSION

Johnson is attending the “Powerful Tools for Caregivers,” in Waupaca on March 8 & 9. She is seeking outside funding from the Central Region Professional Development Fund. The committee supports her for seeking outside funding for this opportunity.

1. Q & A of Educators’ Submitted Monthly Reports

Whirry commented she likes the customer contacts on Kauffeld and Ghimire’s reports.

APPROVAL OF OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

Motion/second (Stoddard/Schweder). Approved.

UW-EX DEMONSTRATION COOKING STOVE – DISCUSSION

Slark has contacted Bluemkes and Moriarty’s. Moriarty’s said they could build something and send a quote, but nothing has been received. Whirry suggested checking into patio cooking stoves. Slark will continue to research and it is tabled to next month.

2011 CARRYOVER REQUEST – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Motion/second (Stoddard/Schweder) to approve the 2011 Carryover Request letter. Approved. There was discussion regarding the copier machine and the amount of problems we have had since the move to the new building. There are funds in the carryover for future purchase, when one is needed.

SUMMER INTERN – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Slark said we would like to have our Summer Intern again and has had confirmation from Morgan Fox, our 2011 intern, she would like to come back. We are raising the wage from \$10 to \$11/hr. (400 hrs. = \$4,400). *Motion/second (Schweder/Stoddard).* Approved.

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

- a. Property & Insurance Committee – Stoddard reported that the courthouse is still for sale. Should know next month of a person of interest and CAI to make an offer.
- b. Personnel Committee – Schweder reported DHHR requested approval to fill two positions: the Information and Assistance Specialist and the Deputy Director.

The Information and Assistance Specialist position is required by the Aging and Disability Resource Center and is fully funded by the state. Approval was given to hire a Limited Term Employee for 20hrs/week. Also approved posting and advertising for the Deputy Director position. A one year evaluation of Shelby Jensen, Unit Manager of the Economic Support Unit in the HHS department, was approved. Supervisor Donald Peters requested the possibility of having one Highway Commissioner for Green Lake and Marquette counties, be placed on the agenda for the next Personnel Committee meeting.

- c. Finance Committee – Whirry reported that 2011 hadn't been closed out and not a lot to report.

VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR

Motion/second (Stoddard/Whirry) to sign vouchers for UW-Extension and Fair. Motion carried.

MEETING DATE AND TIMES FOR THE FUTURE

Slark attended last month's Land Conservation meeting and it was discussed they will not make any meeting date and times changes until after the April election. We will revisit it in May.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. UW-EX Demonstration Cooking Stove
2. Fair Contracts / Discuss Gate Fee for Horse Pull
3. Educator meetings during meal time

NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-EX Training Room at the Green Lake County Government Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Whirry/Stoddard) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Ninneman
Account Clerk II