

## **AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE**

**January 16, 2024**

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order at 2:00 PM by Chair Ken Bates in the Green Lake County Board Room, Green Lake County Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The meeting was held both in person and via Teams. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Ken Bates  
Nancy Hiestand  
Nancy Hoffmann  
Nita Krenz  
Don Lenz

Staff Present: Pat Wagner, Area 14 Extension Director  
Adam Hartfiel  
Stacy Graff  
Brandon Springer  
Laci Monroe (remote)  
Natasha Paris (2:20)

Also Present: Cate Wylie, County Administrator; Liz Otto, County Clerk; Ken Stephani, Finance Director

### **MINUTES**

***Motion/second (Lenz/Krenz)*** to approve the minutes of the 12/12/2023 meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - none

### **COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT**

Laura Skalitsky of the Princeton Public Library gave a report on various past, present, and future activities for all of the county libraries and stated that the Markesan Public Library will introduce a new library director next month.

### **EXTENSION STAFF REPORTS**

- **Pat Wagner, Area 14 Extension Director**
- **Adam Hartfiel, Regional Livestock Educator**
- **Natasha Paris, Regional Crops Educator**
- **Brandon Springer, 4-H Program Educator**
- **Jenice Mischler, Human Development and Relationships Educator**
- **Laci Monroe, Foodwise Coordinator**

All extension staff members gave a verbal report updating their submitted reports in the packet.

### **FAIR COORDINATOR REPORT**

Fair Coordinator Stacy Graff attended the Wisconsin Association of Fairs conference from January 7 – January 10. Graff shared highlights of the conference with the group. She is currently working on judges for the 2024 fair and entertainment contracts.

### **FUTURE FAIRGROUNDS SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT**

Nancy Hoffmann updated the committee on the last Future Fairgrounds AdHoc Committee meeting. They are currently working with UWEX Community Development Institute and are planning another meeting in February.

### **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

**Future Meeting Date:** February 13, 2024 @ 9:00 AM.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Bates adjourned the meeting at 2:40 PM.

Submitted by:

Liz Otto  
County Clerk