



The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson Maureen Schweder at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 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: Maureen Schweder, Chair
Joanne Guden, Vice-Chair
Patti Garro
David Richter
Michael Stoddard

Staff Present: Nav Ghimire
John de Montmollin
Kathy Ninneman
Kim Zills
Laura Breza

Staff Absent: Jay Dampier, Katie Gellings, and Amanda Miller

Others Present: Clairellyn Sommersmith, Librarian-Princeton; Tom Schmitz, UW-Extension Regional Director-North Central Region and Rich Swanke, and Tony Daley, Berlin Journal Newspaper.

AGENDA

Motion/second (Guden/Richter) to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Richter/Stoddard) to approve the July 14, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES – None.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Submitted monthly reports on file. Sommersmith read the Markesan Library report, as it wasn't included in the committee packet.

CORRESPONDENCE – Zills read a thank you from Heidi Hentzel, first time Cultural Arts judge.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY FAIR RECAP

Zills reported the carnival came in \$40 less for the 10% refunded back to the Fair, along with a few of other vendors, possibly due to the rain on Friday. The Demolish Derby refunded \$750 of the prize money. There was a conflict with Winnebago County Fair since it was held at the same time and more cars went to their Demolish Derby. Friday was rained out and the NTPA Show was cancelled on the track. There was conflict due to the attendees not being refunded any money. The 2016 Fair dates are August 4-7.

Motion to donate \$200 each to the Green Lake County Sheriff's K9 and to the Fire Association for education. ***(Garro/Guden)***. Motion carried.

Swanke had respect for the Hollywood Demo Derby as he did pay back the drivers. Swanke did work to straighten the mud from Friday night. Next year he would like to look into better signage for parking.

EDUCATOR REPORT

Breza, Summer Intern, presented to the Committee, "All the Projects that she has worked on for the Summer."

Q&A OF EDUCATORS' SUBMITTED MONTHLY REPORT

Written monthly reports on file for Breza, Dampier, de Montmollin, Gellings, Ghimire and Miller were reviewed.

INTRODUCTION OF TOM SCHMITZ, CENTRAL REGIONAL DIRECTOR

Schmitz explained his role and asked the Committee if they had any questions or concerns. Then Schmitz explained the budget is going through a 13% state cut. Where does UW-Extension funding come from? Grants-10%; County Partners-approximately 24%; State-40%; remaining Federal Government. Even with this state cut, 2016 should look about the same as we do now, and then 2017 will have a different look based on new staffing models. Dean Richard Klemme will be talking to county partners at WASAC to get their input.

UW-EXTENSION AGENTS SALARY 133 CONTRACT

Ghimire gave the 133 Contract to the Committee to sign. The 133 Contract is a 3 year contract and 2015 is the start of the new contract period. Schmitz explained the 133 Contract to the Committee and answered questions.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

Motion/second (Richter/Garro). Approved.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Schweder thanked the staff for all of their hard work at the Green Lake County Fair.

VOUCHERS

Motion/second (Garro/Guden) to approve the vouchers for Ag/Extension Education and Fair as presented totaling \$26,858.18. Motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Next regular meeting date: Tuesday, September 8, 2015 in the Training Room at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Guden/Garro) to adjourn at 10:53 a.m. Motion carried.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Ninneman, Program Specialist*