

Green Lake County Ag, Extension Education & Fair Committee
MINUTES
March 13, 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, March 13, 2007, with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Committee Members Present: M. Hollander, W. Williams, M. Stoddard, V. Ammentorp and S. McConnell.

Agents/Staff Present: J. Hoffman, C. Heiman, M. Haak, D. Slark, K. Zills and A. Leppin.

Library Services Represented by: Carroll.

M/S(Williams/Ammentorp) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

M/S(Stoddard/Ammentorp) to approve the February 13, 2007 minutes. Motion carried.

Library Services Report: Written report is on file. Carroll reported on library activity throughout the county. Heiman's session on gardening and pruning was well attended. She reported that the Berlin Library is getting a basic face lift, painting and some interior design to make it more efficient. Carroll also reported on the Linus Project, which puts blankets in the hands of newborns or those who are traumatized. She also reported that circulation has increased at each of the county libraries.

Public Appearances/Comments: None.

Correspondence: None.

Educator Reports: Written reports are on file.

Hargrave: Corrected date of report to read March, 2007. Reported that despite being gone two weeks, she has had a very busy programming month. She reported that the teleconference on Mid-West Corn worms was very informational, as these pest pose a potential problem for corn producers in Wisconsin.

Slark: Reported that 35-40 youth attended Super Saturday program. Plans are being made for Area Animal Science Days, four weekends of Tractor Safety Training, and two MAQA sessions to be held in the county,

Hoffman: Continues to work with visioning initiatives in Berlin developing business leadership.

Haak: Stated that the Poverty Simulation program went very well and she thanked the volunteers and staff for their assistance.

M/S(Stoddard/Williams) to approve out-of-county dates for the educators: Heiman: 3; Hoffman: 3.5; Slark: 3; and Haak: 3. Motion carried.

Discussion on Message for Legislator's Visit: Hoffman requested that the committee draft a statement to share with their legislators on their WACEC visit. Discussion held and statement was drafted which will be sent committee members attending the WACEC meeting.

M/S(McConnell/Stoddard) to pay per diem committee members attending the State WACEC meeting. Motion carried.

Break: 9:10 a.m. Meeting Resumed at 9:20 a.m.

Fair Committee Discussion – 2007 Fair:

District Meeting – April 11, 2007: No other information available.

Prize Giveaway – Approval of Prizes: After discussion, Zills will bring an iPod and Personal DVD Player to the next meeting, when the committee will make a decision on purchasing two things as Fair Prize Giveaways.

Fair Entertainment Contracts - Approval: Zills sent a fair contract for Calamity Jane. Zills also reported that she does not have the Game Show contract as yet, however, they have agreed to do the show for \$1,000 less.

Summer Reading Program: Zills was granted permission to continue with the Summer Library Reading Program and reimburse the libraries for the free ice cream certificates.

Maintenance Contracts - Approval: Zills presented the maintenance contracts for Buchanan and Jahnke. Hoffman has been in contact with Jahnke about doing normal maintenance repairs. Discussion held on making the pit area larger, and purchasing the cement blocks and Redi-Mix, and getting more clay for the track. Zills will bring information on cost of purchasing additional bleachers to the next meeting. Hoffman discussed the proposed rerouting of the sewer project at the fairgrounds and requested that it not be done until post fair. Discussion held on contracts and use of adult volunteers and community service youth. **M/S(McConnell/Ammertorp)** to approve maintenance contracts as presented. Motion carried.

Maintenance Projects: Zills requested permission to have Jahnke go ahead and make a small (10'x16") stage for the BINGO tent at a cost of \$400. **M/S(McConnell/Williams)** to have Jahnke build a small stage for the BINGO tent. Motion carried.

Committee Discussion:

Property & Insurance Committee: Stoddard requested that Slark let the Highway Dept. know when the 4-H Dog Training begins at the Horse Arena at the Fairgrounds.

Personnel Committee: Committee is working on security issues, secondary incomes, reclassifications and WPPA mediation.

Finance Committee: Carry-over accounts will be decided at next Finance Meeting.

M/S(Ammertorp/Williams) to approve payment of Ag/Extension and Fair Vouchers. Motion carried,

Next meeting: April 10, 8:30 a.m., Green Lake Co. Demonstration Room.

M/S(Ammertorp/Stoddard) to adjourn at 10:10 a.m. Motion carried.

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