

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

COMMITTEE: Agriculture & Extension Education
DATE OF MEETING: April 12, 2016, Wolf River Room
MEMBERS PRESENT: Holly Matucheski, Pete Pennington, Joe Novak, Arlene Bonacci,
Richard Burby
MEMBERS ABSENT: None
OTHERS PRESENT: Kari Lazars, Krista Otto, Jennifer Beran, Samantha Masterton,
Karly Johnson, Steve Zimmerman

Matucheski called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve Minutes and Agenda:

Pennington made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2016 meeting. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

WPVGA Contract:

Steve gave a brief overview of the recurring contract. Pennington made a motion to approve the contract. Novak seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

WNEP Program Updates:

Karly shared her program activities since her last report. She estimated that 4,360 total contacts were made with students grades K-5 in the first two quarters of this fiscal year. Also they are going to be starting new educational sessions at the Antigo Area Food Pantry. They are also getting ready to implement new curricula.

4-H Program Update:

Krista reviewed activities that have occurred since December. Currently she is acting as the ambassador's adult advisor. She also provided pictures and impacts from recent events of Project Discovery, 4-H Speaking Contest and Talent Explosion. She is working with leadership changes in three clubs and one project. Camp Susan preparations are underway.

Family Living Position:

Kari shared her resignation to the whole group. At this time, it is uncertain when the university will refill the position. The possibility of bringing on an interim educator is being explored. It was also shared that VISTA, Sam Masterton, will be leaving April 27. The VISTA position was a one year appointment, ending in August 2016. Sam had an opportunity for a full time teaching position at Lincoln Hills, and did not want to miss that opportunity since she would need another position come August. Matucheski thanked them both for all they have done for the community and UW Extension.

Credit Card limits increase for Jennifer:

Kari asked that with her leaving and her card holding the highest limit in the office that Jennifer's be increase. Pennington made a motion to increase to 1,500.00. Novak seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.



Budget Update:

A current budget update sheet was handed out and reviewed.

nEXT Generation Update:

Kari asked if any of the committee members would be interested in being on a work group; if they are to please let Kari know. WACEC (Wisconsin Association of County Extension Committees) statewide meeting is June 20-21 at the Jefferson Street Inn in Wausau. All members were encouraged to attend.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10th at 1:00pm at the Wolf River Room.

Adjourn:

Bonacci made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 a.m. Novak seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
Jennifer Beran