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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

COMMITTEE: Agriculture & Extension Education
DATE OF MEETING: February 14, 2017 Wolf River Room
MEMBERS PRESENT: Arlene Bonacci, Sam Hardin, Joe Novak
MEMBERS ABSENT: Angie Schreiber, Dale Dahms
OTHERS PRESENT: Stephen Zimmerman, Jennifer Beran, Karalee Brock, Carrie Kubacki, Will Andresen, Dan Marzu

Chairman Bonacci called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Novak made a motion to excuse Schreiber and Dahms. Hardin seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes and Agenda:

Hardin made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2017 meeting. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

4-H Educator Update:

Will Andresen shared that they are working thru the waiver of recruitment and have a tentative start date of March 1 for an 60% interim 4-H Educator. Hardin made a motion to accept the 4-H Educator update. Novak seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of 50% Interim Agriculture Educator position:

Will shared the proposed program areas of Dan Marzu and how his programming could benefit our county. Dan is currently a 50% Agriculture Educator in Lincoln County. Dan shared about his background and the programs he is currently doing. Dan would be doing various programs and specialties not currently being focused on but is a prevalent need in the county. Novak made a motion to offer a 50% interim contract to Dan Marzu starting March 1, 2016 thru June 30, 2016. Hardin seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Agriculture Agent Report:

Steve gave an overview progress of the Wisconsin Seed Potato Improvement Association meeting and WPVGA Grower Education Conference he attended recently. He also updated on future and recent programs; pesticide applicator trainings, upcoming Master Gardener Level 2 training and the All America Selection(AAS) Display Garden. Novak made a motion to accept the Agriculture Agent report. Hardin seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.



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Interim Family Living Educator Welcome:

The committee welcomed the new Interim Family Living Educator Carrie Kubacki.

Carry Forward of funds approval:

Jennifer Beran reviewed the carry forward request. Hardin made a motion to approve the carry forward request. Novak seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

4-H/Fair Liaison Update:

Joe Novak shared about his experience at fair convention. Hardin made a motion to accept the Fair Liaison update. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

nEXT Generation Update:

Will talked about the first draft of recommendations for the nEXT generation changes that was released last week and is open for feedback until February 23. Novak made a motion to accept the nEXT Generation update. Hardin seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the Wolf River Room.

Adjourn:

Novak made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:18 p.m. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Beran
Recording Secretary