

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

COMMITTEE: Agriculture & Extension Education
DATE OF MEETING: September 11, 2012, Wolf River Room, Resource Center
MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Bina, Eugene Kamps, William Bostwick, Arlene Bonacci,
Holly Matucheski
MEMBERS ABSENT: None
OTHERS PRESENT: Kari Lazars, Sally Hull, Becky Knight, Steve Zimmerman

Bina called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Approve Minutes and Agenda:

Bonacci made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and the agenda. Bostwick seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Agent Reports:

Jennifer Clark is working with Strengthening Families on a follow-up to the last program. She will be teaching a canning class with Beth Meyer this coming weekend.

Steve Zimmerman has started as the interim Ag Agent. He is working on getting machinery ready for harvest and will start digging potato trials next week. Steve will be here through the end of the year in the interim position.

Update on Ag Agent Position:

Tom Schmitz will be attending the October Ag & Extension meeting with an update on hiring a full-time ag agent. The state is looking for ways to supplement wages in the ag program area to be more competitive in finding a qualified pool of candidates. The position has not been posted yet.

Approve Agent 133 Contracts:

Agent salaries are split at 60% state and 40% county. Bostwick made a motion to approve the agent contracts between the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System and Langlade County for the period of July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Proposal from 4-H for Robotics/Teen Scene:

Becky Knight said she is looking for grant funding to help with the cost of this. She said there is a new youth librarian at the Antigo Public Library and they will partner on working on this after a few months.

Bills:

Bostwick made a motion to approve the bills. Matucheski seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date:

The next Ag & Extension meeting will be October 9, 2012, at 3:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

Bonacci made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. Bostwick seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
Sally Hull