

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

COMMITTEE: Agriculture & Extension Education
DATE OF MEETING: June 11, 2013, Wolf River Room, Resource Center
MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Bina, Eugene Kamps, William Bostwick, Arlene Bonacci,
Holly Matucheski
MEMBERS ABSENT: None
OTHERS PRESENT: Kari Lazars, Stephanie Plaster, Sally Hull, Jennifer Clark,
Becky Knight

Bina called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve Minutes and Agenda:

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

Agent Reports:

Jennifer Clark announced her resignation effective June 30, 2013, as Family Living Educator. She is taking a position as Health Educator with the ADRC starting July 8. Jennifer has been working with Forward Services clients on financial planning and teaching children about money. She will help teach a food preservation class on June 24-25. The Strengthening Families program is finished and Jennifer handed out follow-up data from the program. There will be a class to train facilitators for the program on October 22-23 here in Antigo.

Stephanie Plaster reported on progress at the Research Station. A plot manager has been hired and eight trials were planted this year. A grant for new tires for the tractor has been received. Stephanie taught pesticide applicator training, helped with the youth tractor and machinery safety certification course, and taught the market animal quality assurance program. She gave a presentation on square foot gardening to Evergreen Terrace and the Antigo Garden Club. The Research Station Field Day will be August 22.

WNEP Agreement Letter:

Kari Lazars presented an agreement letter between Langlade County and the WNEP program to provide nutrition education programming. WNEP federal dollars pay for staff salaries, fringe benefits and direct teaching expenses. County partners provide office space and basic operating costs and resources. Bostwick made a motion to approve signing the WNEP agreement letter for fiscal year 2014. Matucheski seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Purchase Food Items for Food Preservation Class:

A food preservation training will be held June 24-25. Jennifer Clark will be teaching the workshop. Reimbursement for food items for the training will come from participant fees. Matuscheski made a motion to approve the purchase of food items for the training. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Funding for Experience Works Program:

Each year, the Experience Works program asks for help with funding for paying its participants. This is a voluntary contribution. The money for this is already in the UW-Extension budget. Bostwick made a motion to approve a funding request of \$500 for Experience Works. Matucheski seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next Meeting:

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

Adjournment:

Kamps made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:12 p.m. Bonacci seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
Sally Hull