

GOVERNMENTAL BODY: **WAUPACA COUNTY AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

DATE AND TIME: **Monday, July 27, 2015 – 8:30am**

PLACE: **Room 1037, Waupaca County Courthouse
811 Harding Street, Waupaca, WI**

OPEN SESSION: This meeting and all other meetings are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted and given to the press, in accordance with Wisconsin statutes so that the citizens may be aware of the time, place, and agenda of this meeting.

1. Meeting was called to order and open meeting statement was read by Supervisor Kietzmann at 8:30 am on Monday, July 27, 2015

2. Roll call

Present were Supervisors: Kietzmann, Handrich, Peterson, Neumann and Ellis.

Also present were UW-Extension Educators: Greg Blonde, Christi Beilfuss, Sandy Liang, Jessica Beckendorf, Penny Tank and Tom Schmitz, UW-Extension North Central Regional Director

3. Review and accept Agenda
Motion was made by Dave Neumann to accept the July 27th agenda; second was made by Darrell Handrich. The agenda was approved unanimously by committee members.

4. Review previous meeting minutes
Motion was made by Bob Ellis to accept the minutes from the June 29th meeting; second was made by Don Peterson. The June minutes were approved unanimously by the committee.

5. Public Input
There were no public members in attendance for input.

6. Educator Reports
 - Current Program and Outcomes
Written reports were shared by all educators.
 - Educator Reports –Greg Blonde, Agriculture Agent
Greg Blonde presented photos of sweet corn at Turner’s and shared communications with experts in Madison. Greg also showed committee members the Hay Pricing App.
 - Department Head Report
Tank discussed in more detail department head responsibilities that were included on her written educational report.

7. Old Business
 - Budget
Tank presented proposed 2016 budget. Motion was made by Dave Neumann to approve preliminary 2016 budget to present to Finance Department; second was made by Darrell Handrich. The 2016 Preliminary budget was approved unanimously by the committee.

- Support Staff Interviews
Don Peterson will participate as UWEX Committee representative for the interviews for the Support Staff position. Interviews will be August 7th at 9:00 am.
8. New Business
 - Update from Regional Director
Tom Schmitz recognized Connie Wendt for her retirement. WACEC will be January 8 in Minocqua. WCA will be September 20-22 in La Crosse. Discussed moving forward in light of approved State budget. Updated the committee on how the University is handling Abert's position.
 9. Correspondence
There was no correspondence to share.
 10. Next meeting
 - Monthly Meeting Monday, August 17, 2015 – 8:30am
 11. Adjourn
Motion to adjourn was made by Darrell Handrich; second was made by Don Peterson. The committee approved unanimously to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:15am.

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