

MINUTES

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

DATE AND TIME: **Monday, March 27, 2017 – 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 8:34 a.m.
2. Roll call
Present were: Supervisors: Jim Nygaard, Darrell Handrich, Carl Kietzmann, Dave Neumann and Bob Ellis.

Also present were UW-Educators Greg Blonde, Penny Tank, Christi Beilfuss, Sandy Liang, and Kelly Hammond. Also present was AmeriCorps Farm to School Nutrition Educator & FoodWise Educator Ashley Clark.

Absent: Jessica Beckendorf (excused)
3. Review and accept Agenda
Motion was made by Supervisor Ellis to accept the March 27, 2017 agenda; second was made by Supervisor Nygaard. The agenda was approved unanimously by committee members.
4. Review previous meeting minutes
Motion was made by Supervisor Handrich to accept the minutes from the February 27, 2017 meeting; second was made by Supervisor Neumann. The minutes were approved unanimously by the committee.
5. Public Input
There was no public present for input.
6. Educator Reports
 - Current programs and outcomes – written report from each Educator
Discussed written reports and the wishes of the committee to receive as a hard copy or email. Individual educators will start next month emailing their written report to Neumann, Nygaard and Ellis when completed.

Introduced Ashley Clark as the AmeriCorps Farm to School Nutrition Educator and FoodWise Educator. Ashley shared highlights of both her roles with the committee.

- Educator Presentation – Greg Blonde Agriculture Agent
Presentation about the prevalence of Digital Dermatitis or “Hairy Heel Warts” in NE WI Dairy herds. This was a UWEX Field Study in the summer of 2016 that Blonde was a part of.

- Department Head Report – update on work of the Department Head and Department Updates for previous month on written report
7. UW-Extension nEXT Generation Reorganization Update
Information from the WACEC meeting was shared as well as the hiring of the 2 Assistant Deans who will work with Regional Directors and counties to move forward with Area Director positions. Tank also discussed the facility study that will be taking place with the courthouse.
 8. WACEC North Central Region Annual Meeting
Supervisors Nygaard and Kietzmann both reported on meetings they attended at the WACEC meeting.
 9. County Board Tour
The tour is on the list of County Board meeting for June 20, will proceed unless there conflicts. Looking at the list of communities, Iola would be next. Tank will talk with Jill Lodewegen and County Board Chair Koeppen and will discuss more at the April meeting.
 10. Correspondence
There was no correspondence.
 11. Next meeting
 - Monthly Meeting Monday, April 24, 2017 – 8:30am
 12. Adjourn
Motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Handrich; second by Supervisor Ellis. The committee unanimously approved to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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