

**IRON COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**County Board Room, Iron County Courthouse, Hurley, Wisconsin**  
**Wednesday, March 27, 2013 - 9:00 a.m.**

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Committee Chair, William Thomas.

**Roll Call:** Roll call was taken by Extension Office Manager, Joyce Gayan. Committee members present: Thomas, Opal Roberts, Gerald Luke, and Paul Mullard. Committee member excused: Mitch Koski. Also in attendance: Gayan, Will Andresen, Andrea Newby, Neil Klemme, Joy Schelble, and North Central Region Director, Tom Schmitz.

**Acknowledge proper meeting posting:** Gayan acknowledged proper meeting posting.

**Approval of agenda as posted:** Luke moved to approve agenda as posted, seconded by Mullard. All in favor.

**Motion to approve meeting minutes for January 9, 2013:** Roberts moved to approve minutes for January 9, 2013, seconded by Mullard. All in favor.

**Public Comment:** No Comment

**Motion to approve financial reports:**

- a) Extension
- b) 4-H and Youth Clubs

Committee members received Extension and 4-H and Youth Clubs financial reports through January 31, 2013 in their packets. Roberts moved to approve financial reports for Extension and 4-H & Youth Programs, seconded by Luke. All in favor.

**Welcome to Tom Schmitz, North Central Region Director:** Schmitz and Committee members introduced themselves. Schmitz discussed the change from five districts within Cooperative Extension to four regions and his role as North Central Region Director.

**Motion to approve the 2012 Annual Report to the Iron County Board of Supervisors:** Committee members received copies of the 2012 Annual Report in their packets. Luke moved to approve the 2012 Annual Report to the Iron County Board of Supervisors, seconded by Mullard. All in favor.

**CNRED Program Liaison:** Committee members received a memo from Andresen in their packets stating that the CNRED Program Area asked him to become their Program Liaison. Andresen discussed the proposal and asked the Committee's approval to assume this responsibility. Mullard moved to approve Andresen's undertaking of the role of CNRED Program Liaison, seconded by Roberts. All in favor.

**Agent Reports** – Agents set up displays with examples of work in their program areas.

- **Wisconsin Nutrition Education Program** – Schelble discussed WNEP/SNAP-Ed impact reports and shared related handouts.
- **Horticulture Assistant Report** – Schelble discussed her role as Horticulture Assistant and how it correlates to her role as WNEP Coordinator in working with food security and school and community gardens.

Schelble left the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

- **Community Resource Development Program** – Andresen discussed the proposed Regional Trail System and how it is expected to impact the community.
- **Family Development Program** – Newby discussed her role working with the Communities Preventing Childhood Obesity Coalition, parenting education, financial education, and senior programming.
- **4-H Youth Development Program** – Klemme discussed the 4-H Robotics program and demonstrated a robot which he had programmed to move, stop and talk. He described how the project teaches communication, problem solving and critical thinking skills in addition to science.

**Department Head Report** – Andresen discussed

- State WACEC conference in Madison on April 8-9
- Nexus tablets for UW-Extension employees
- Iron County UW-Extension staff retreat on March 26

**Schedule Next Extension Education Committee meeting:** The next meeting of the Extension Education Committee will be determined at a later date.

**Adjourn:** Luke moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Mullard. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.