

IRON COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Iron County Courthouse, Hurley, Wisconsin 54534
Tuesday, September 23, 2014 - 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, Paul Mullard, and Brad Matson. Committee member excused: Karl Krall. Also in attendance: Gayan, Will Andresen, Andrea Newby, Neil Klemme, Joy Schelble, Deb Leonard, Amy Nosal, and Iron County Board Chair Joseph Pinardi.

Acknowledge proper meeting posting: Gayan acknowledged proper meeting posting.

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

Motion to approve meeting minutes for July 10, 2014: Matson moved to approve minutes for July 10, 2014, seconded by Mullard. All in favor.

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 July 31, 2014 in their packets. Gayan distributed updated financial reports through August 31, 2014. Matson moved to approve financial reports for Extension and 4-H & Youth Programs, seconded by Roberts. All in favor.

Public Comment: No Comment.

Motion to forward proposed 2015 budget to Finance Committee: Andresen discussed the 2015 Extension budget proposal along with the explanation of line items which Committee members received in their packets. Mullard moved to forward the proposed 2015 Extension budget to the Finance Committee, seconded by Matson. All in favor.

Klemme discussed the 2015 4-H & Youth Club budget proposal, requesting an increase in the Salaries-Non Regular line item to from \$3,685 to \$4,200 to reflect the current hourly salary for the Summer Youth Assistant. Mullard moved to approve and forward the proposed 2015 4-H & Youth Club budget to the Finance Committee, seconded by Matson. All in favor.

Motion to approve and sign Iron County UW-Extension 133 Contract: Andresen reviewed the Iron County UW-Extension 133 Contract which is to be signed by all Committee members. Roberts moved to approve the Iron County UW-Extension 133 Contract, seconded by Mullard. All in favor. Committee members present signed the three copies of the contract. Krall's signature will be obtained at a later date.

Agent Reports

Family Living Program – Newby distributed copies of her report and discussed:

- Aging Friendly Communities Coalition

- FE University
- Statewide Blog
- Little Gardeners Program
- Play Groups at the Mercer Community Center

4-H Youth Development Program – Klemme distributed copies of his newsletter and discussed:

- Iron County Fair
- 4-H club enrollment
- 4-H Fundraising
- Camp for middle school students
- Summer Americorps*VISTAs report
- Garden to Market program

Community Resource Development Program – Andresen reported on:

- Hurley Safe Routes to School
- County D project
- Trailhead project
- Hurley tree planting
- Broadband project
- Iron County Citizens Forum
- Regional Trail
- Northeast Leadership Program – Andresen advised Committee he was selected to be a participant in the Northeast Leadership Program which will entail travel four times a year for four days each session.

Wisconsin Nutrition Education Program – Schelble reported on WNEP fiscal year changes and attending and presenting at conferences.

Leonard discussed:

- Senior dining contacts in Springstead, Mercer, Saxon, and Hurley
- Hurley and Mercer school garden plots and use of the produce in lunch programs
- Nutrition classes in the Hurley school

Schelble discussed:

- Nutrition education for WIC participants and with Head Start parents
- Mobile Food Pantry – addition of Mercer distribution site, use of school garden produce, Range Beverage donation of flavored water
- Addition of WNEP intern for 8 hours per week

Horticulture Assistant Report – Schelble discussed her role as WNEP Coordinator in combination with horticulture assistant and reported on:

- Coordinating tree planting project
- Garden-based education for the Mercer library
- Seed library initiative in Mercer
- Garden committee at the Mercer School
- Interest for a community garden in Springstead

Americorps*VISTA Report – Nosal, discussed:

- Garden to Market program

- Broadband project
- Bikenomics and effect on tourism
- Trailhead project

Department Head Report – Andresen discussed the multidisciplinary work of the office staff and thanked the Committee for their support.

Klemme reported that he has been selected to attend the Academy of Leadership and Innovation through UW-Extension.

Andresen stated that the leadership opportunities for both Klemme and him will not be a cost to the County.

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

Adjourn: Roberts moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Mullard. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.