

IRON COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Iron County Courthouse, Hurley, Wisconsin 54534
Monday, January 25, 2016

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, Brad Matson, and Karl Krall. Also in attendance: Gayan, Will Andresen, Neil Klemme, Deb Leonard, Amy Nosal, Darrin Kimbler, and County Board Chair Joe Pinardi.

Acknowledge proper meeting posting: Gayan acknowledged proper meeting posting.

Motion to approve meeting minutes for September 23, 2015: Mullard moved to approve minutes for September 23, 2015, seconded by Roberts. 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 December 31, 2015 in their packets. Matson moved to approve financial reports for Extension and 4-H & Youth Programs, seconded by Krall. All in favor.

Public Comment: No Comment.

Update on re-organization of Cooperative Extension: Committee members received handouts depicting the current structure of Iron County UW-Extension and the proposed new structure. Andresen discussed the proposed creation of a multi-county area with a local presence.

Agent Reports

Community Resource Development –Andresen reported updates on the following projects and grants:

- Broad Band
- Regional Trail System
- Grocery Store

4-H Youth Development Program – Klemme reported updates on the following:

- Conducting safe babysitting classes
- Superior Days
- Planning for Iron County Summer Youth Camp and Outpost Camp

Iron County Interim Community Educator – Nosal described her new position as Iron County Interim Community Educator and the projects she is working on:

- Local Food Network
- Garden to Market/Farmers Market
- Coalition for Community Preventing Childhood Obesity (CPCO)

Wisconsin Nutrition Education Program – Leonard discussed the WNEP program in Iron County providing education at the Hurley and Mercer schools and senior dining sites.

Horticulture Assistant Report – Kimbler reported that he has conducted a Master Gardener class which has resulted in 15 new Master Gardener volunteers and will extend the outreach of horticulture education in Iron County.

Department Head Report – Andresen discussed the funding of Nosal's position as Interim Community Educator. The interim position is to December 31, with the hope that it will become a permanent position in the restructure of Cooperative Extension. He also updated the Committee on the currently vacant WNEP Coordinator position.

Schedule Next Extension Education Committee meeting: The next meeting of the Extension Education Committee will be tentatively scheduled for April.

Adjourn: Mullard moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Matson. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.