

**April 8, 2008**

The meeting of the Green Lake County Ag, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson Hollander at 1:30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 8, 2008, with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

M. Hollander, W. Williams, M. Stoddard, S. McConnell, and V. Ammentorp

**EDUCATORS/STAFF PRESENT**

D. Slark, C. Hargrave, M. Spaulding, and A. Kavanaugh

J. Kauffeld joined the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

**LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT**

No representative was present.

**AGENDA**

*Motion/second (Ammentorp/Stoddard) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.*

**MINUTES**

*Motion/second (McConnell/Stoddard) to approve the March 11, 2008 minutes. Motion carried.*

**LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT**

Written report on file. No oral report was given.

**PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS**

Joyce Affeldt, 4-H volunteer and Fair Superintendent of the dog project, was present. Affeldt informed the committee that the 4-H dog project has purchased a dog agility course, and requested space at the fairgrounds for the course to be set up during the months of May through August in 2009. The space needed would be approximately 250 square feet, on either sand or grass. Discussion followed. Hollander informed Affeldt that UW-Extension would have to work with the Highway Department on this issue because the fairgrounds are located on Highway

Department property. Contact will be made with Highway to determine what steps should be taken in order for the issue to be explored further.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None

## EDUCATOR REPORTS

Written reports are on file for Hargrave, Spaulding and Slark.

**Hargrave:** Hargrave reported that she facilitated a three-part March Madness crop series. The sessions were well attended and several farmers are interested in starting a marketing club. Hargrave also assisted with Meat Animal Quality Assurance training, and has wrapped up winter programming.

**Spaulding:** Spaulding reported that the current Strengthening Families class will be complete next week. Spaulding also reported that she is partnering with three neighboring counties for a family camp near Wisconsin Dells. In addition, she is holding three informational sessions for Green Lake County employees as a follow up to her care giving survey.

**Slark:** Slark reported that he held Meat Animal Quality Assurance training for over eighty youth at two sessions. He is also planning the 4-H Foods Revue and Demonstration Day, scheduled for April 19 in Markesan. Slark informed the committee that 4-H leaders are interested in partnering with Marquette County for leader training. Slark is hoping to hold this training in June.

**Kauffeld:** Kauffeld reported that he is learning about Green Lake County. He attended an Economic Development Corp. meeting last week, and has many training sessions in the coming weeks.

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams)* to approve out of county days for the educators: Hargrave (4):, Slark (7):, Kauffeld (0):, and Spaulding (4.5). Motion carried.

## SIX MONTH EVALUATION – ALLISON KAVANAUGH

Slark informed the committee that he completed a six month employment evaluation for Allison Kavanaugh. *Motion/second (Ammertorp/Stoddard)* to send the evaluation to the Personnel Committee. Motion carried.

## UW-EXTENSION COUNTY BOARD REPORT DISCUSSION

Committee members reported that they read their assigned sections of the UW-Extension Annual Report and the last County Board meeting.

## CPAG RESULTS

Spaulding reported that the agents held three Community Partner Advisory Group (CPAG) sessions on March 4, 2008. Community leaders in the area were invited to share their community concerns and goals, and to learn more about UW-Extension. Discussion followed regarding the various ideas presented at the meetings. A follow up meeting will be held in approximately six months. McConnell asked that the committee be invited and kept informed of any future CPAG activities.

## **COUNTY EMPLOYEE CAREGIVING SURVEY**

Spaulding reported on results she received from a survey given to Green Lake County Government employees regarding care giving. Discussion followed. Spaulding is in the process of leading care giving learning sessions for county employees, allowing her to address concerns expressed on the surveys.



## **Fair Committee Discussion – 2008 Fair**

### **CIP FUNDS - DISCUSSION**

Green Lake County treasurer Kathy Morris has recommended that the CD utilizing 10 percent revenue be reinvested for a period on one year, coming due at fair time. Discussion followed, with the committee agreeing.

### **BLEACHERS (TRACK AREA) - DISCUSSION**

This matter was tabled and will be discussed at the May meeting.

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - UPDATE**

Committee members were presented with an updated schedule of events.

### **FAIR AND ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACTS**

Hollander reported that contracts were available for signing for Pullers Inc., Kenland Band, All Terrain Riders ATV Club, Jerome Jahnke and Clark Buchanan. Discussion followed. Concern was raised over the fact that Jerome Jahnke would be adding a fuel surcharge. It was not noted on the contract what the exact terms would be. The committee would like further clarification on the terms of the fuel surcharge. Spaulding will ask Zills, who was not present, to speak to Jahnke and clarify the charges before the contract is signed.

*Motion/Second (Stoddard, Ammentorp)* to sign contracts for Pullers Inc., Kenland Band, and All Terrain Riders ATV Club. *Motion/Second (McConnell, Ammentorp)* to table contracts for Jerome Jahnke and Clark Buchanan until the May meeting.

## **STATE AID**

Hollander reported that the second installment of state aid for the fair has not yet been received.

## **FAIREST OF THE FAIR - DISCUSSION**

Slark informed the committee that a Fairest of the Fair Association has been formed, and will be assisted by the UW-Extension office. Information and applications for Fairest of the Fair were sent to 4-H families in the 4-H newsletter, and information has been submitted to area newspapers.

## **TRUCK/TRACTOR PULL – DISCUSSION/CONTRACT**

Hargrave reported that Roy Fleegal is willing to organize a tractor pull at the 2008 fair. The pull would take place on Sunday, August 3, and would utilize more antique style tractors than the Thursday tractor pull. The pull would be completed by 5:00 p.m., and be mainly self sufficient. Hollander requested that Fleegal be present to speak at the May committee meeting. The Extension office will contact Fleegal to arrange this if possible.

## **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION – REPORT OF LAST MONTH'S COMMITTEE MEETING – INCLUDING Q & A**

- a. Property & Insurance Committee – Stoddard reported that requests to use the fairgrounds for the 4-H dog and horse projects were forwarded to the Highway Department.
- b. Personnel Committee – Hollander reported that the committee discussed the caregiving report conducted by Spaulding, continued to discuss timekeeping for county employees, smoke free workplace options, and the need for department heads to have employee evaluations completed on time.
- c. Finance Committee – Ammentorp reported that the committee discussed low interest rates.

## **VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR**

*Motion/second (Stoddard/Williams)* to sign vouchers. Motion carried.

## **NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. in the Courthouse Demonstration Room.

## ADJOURNMENT

*Motion/Second (Stoddard/McConnell)* to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allison Kavanaugh  
Account Clerk II