



GREEN LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

JULY 12, 2011

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson McConnell at 8:35 a.m., on Tuesday, July 12, 2011 with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

S. McConnell, M. Schweder, M. Stoddard, T. Traxler and M. Whirry.

EDUCATORS/STAFF/GUESTS PRESENT

M. Fox, N. Ghimire, J. Kauffeld, K. Ninneman, D. Slark, K. Zills and R. Swanke.

LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT

D. Disterhaft

AGENDA

Motion/second (Traxler/Schweder) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Traxler/Schweder) to approve the June 14, 2011 Minutes. Motion carried.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Written report on file. D. Disterhaft reported on upcoming events taking place at their libraries.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

Swanke reported on the Truck/Tractor Pull for the Green Lake County Fair and the sale of beer for this event. Swanke will be contacting Chuck Mirr, mayor of Green Lake, for a one day permit for the sale of beer. He will also contact Zills by July 19 or sooner to let her know the outcome and who will be manning the beer stand.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing.

Fair Committee Discussion – 2011 Fair

2011 ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACTS - DISCUSSION

Zills reported on the last of the contracts for the 2011 Green Lake Co. Fair. (Idol Contest, Tent and Truck/Tractor Pull). *Motion/second (Whirry/Schweder)* to approve for the contracts. Approved. Zills also reported on the electrical concerns and is all good with Pulvermacher.

2011 FAIR UPDATES

Zills reported on the fair entries and premiums. The junior entries are up from 204 members in 2010 to 246 in 2011 and the open class is down by three. The 4-H Leader's Association has donated \$2,000 to pay for the premiums.

FAIRS COOPERATIVE MARKETING PROGRAM – DISTRIBUTION

Zills reported about the Fair Cooperative advertising that was paid \$500. The owner of the company died and funds disappeared. The fair advertisement appeared in only one publication, "The Up North Summer Edition." Zills contacted John Selsing and he advised not to pursue the \$500. The new buyer of the company has offered to make it good and give us that advertising next year.

FAIR SET-UP NIGHT – THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2011

Zills reminded the committee that the Fair Set-Up Night will be held on Thursday, July 28th at 6:30 p.m. and would entertain anyone to come and help.

FAIR OFFICE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE – DEADLINE JULY 15, 2011

Zills said if anyone would like to volunteer for a 2-hour time slot to work in the Fair Office, it would be much appreciated.



UW-Extension Committee Discussion

EDUCATOR REPORTS

1. **Kauffeld:** Written monthly report on file and power point presentation on "Lessons in Leadership from the University of Wisconsin EALP and Leadership Academy Trip to Greensburg, Kansas – June 6-10, 2010."
2. **Q & A of Educators' Submitted Monthly Reports**

The Youth Exhibit Committee meeting is July 26 at 7 p.m. in the Training Room. Whirry was concerned about the mandatory Livestock meeting and the fact that a youth will not be excused if they have to work. Fox commented on her experience being a 4-H livestock participant and being able to juggle both. Slark said it has to be addressed at the Livestock meeting because that was their choice of wording or to take it to the Youth Exhibit Committee meeting.

There is a verbal agreement that Beth Johnson is hired as Family Living agent. Her proposed start date is Monday, July 25th.

APPROVAL OF OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

Motion/second (Schweder/Whirry). Approved.

LATERAL FILE CABINET – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Slark reported that everyone should have received a report from the company that ordered our office furniture. *Motion/second (McConnell/Whirry). Approved.*

2012 BUDGET APPROVAL

Slark informed the committee that the proposed 2012 budget included a 3% decrease for the department. He presented the committee with two different options. There was discussion on Travel, Ninneman to FT capacity and the FL agent as FT after January 1, 2012. The committee will take a look at option 2 and Dean will bring back the option with health insurance for Ninneman. The committee will revisit it at the August meeting.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION – REPORT OF LAST MONTH’S MEETING – INCLUDING Q&A

- a. Property & Insurance Committee – Stoddard – Punch list is being taken care of.
- b. Personnel Committee – Schweder – There’s a workshop that she is attending regarding the Budget Repair Bill and also a couple personnel evaluations.
- c. Finance Committee – Whirry – Supposed to open bids on the Gold Street property. Mileage reimbursements are up .5% as of July 1st.

VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR

Motion/second (Traxler/Schweder) to sign vouchers. Motion carried.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 8:30 a.m. in the UWEX Training Room at the Green Lake County Government Center. Whirry asked to be excused for this meeting due to elections that day.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Stoddard/Schweder) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Ninneman
Account Clerk