



The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairman, Joanne Guden, at 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 in the Training Room of the Green Lake County Government Center in Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Joanne Guden, Chairman
Patti Garro
Katie Mehn
David Richter
Bob Schweder

Staff Present: Jay Dampier
John de Montmollin
Katie Gellings
Kathy Ninneman
Kim Zills
Amanda Miller

Others Present: Harley Reabe, County Board Chairman; Linda DeNell, Caestecker Library Director; Cara Cross, Marquette County FoodWise Coordinator.

AMENDED AGENDA

Motion/second (Garro/Richter) to approve the amended agenda as presented. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Richter/Garro) to approve the August 8, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES – None.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT – LINDA DENELL, CAESTECKER LIBRARY

Submitted monthly reports on file. DeNell highlighted areas the library is focusing on for programs.

CORRESPONDENCE – Thank yous from Kathy Hanson, Princeton; Dean Shaffer, fair exhibitor; Katherine Brunell, judge.

2017 FAIR RECAP

Zills said things are rolling in and she will bring in the final numbers next month. Guden would like to hear from Swanke next month.

COMMERCIAL SPACE CONTRACT REVISIONS

Zills discussed options with Corporation Counsel when vendors do not abide by their contracts and leave early.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT RENEWAL

Zills discussed with Corporation Counsel the Maintenance contracts for Jerome & Clark. The end of the year will be enough time to finalize contracts. There is the idea of contracting the track events and making adjustments in other areas.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

Zills is looking into revamping the Community Involvement Program.

2018 DEMOLITION DERBY

Zills will be looking into a different promoter so there isn't the competition with area county fairs.

2018 CONTRACTS

- Dizzy the Clown
- A&P Enterprise Shows Carnival – 1 year contract

Motion/second (Richter/Garro) to approve the contracts as presented. Motion carried.

EDUCATORS' SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS & RELEVANT TRAININGS, MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

Written monthly reports on file for de Montmollin and Gellings. Gellings gave a brief verbal report of her current programming. de Montmollin gave his verbal resignation to the Committee. He explained the complete process and the Dean appointing him as the Interim Director of the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development Program. He expressed his sincere appreciation and thanks to the Committee and Harley Reabe, County Board Chairman.

4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EDUCATOR POSITION

Reabe would like to see the Committee draft a Resolution next month. It can then be forwarded on to the County Board agenda. de Montmollin strongly suggested to consider a 4-H Program Coordinator since the pool of candidates with a Bachelor's degree will be broader.

Garro left the meeting at 9:44 a.m. and returned at 9:46 a.m.

AGRICULTURE AGENT POSITION UPDATE

Dampier was notified last week by the Assistant Dean, Matt Hanson, that they are starting to move on vacant positions. Green Lake County was put towards the top because of the Resolution that was drafted. Dampier will keep the Committee informed on the process.

UPDATE ON THE 2018 BUDGET PROCESS

Dampier did submit the office budget. There is a significant increase mainly because the office supplies expense will be internally in every office. He is hoping for the following for Green Lake County:

- 4-H Program Coordinator – 100%
- Ag Agent – 100%
- Family Living – 90% (overall)
- CRD – 50%

Dampier is trying to stay hopeful that the University will also honor those requests from the county.

nEXT GENERATION OF UW-EXTENSION

Dampier commented about the Position Descriptions being created for all of the positions. Otherwise all has been covered above.

AREA EXTENSION DIRECTOR UPDATES

Dampier would like to start giving the Committee a handout, beginning next month. He is also working with some counties on updating position descriptions, civil rights reviews, and budgets. He is also sitting on a sub work group of Area Extension Directors, trying to come up with solutions for various concerns.

FOODWISE UPDATE

Miller introduced Cara Cross who will be taking over the coordination of Green Lake County FoodWise program. Cross will coordinate it along with Marquette and Waushara. Their programming may not be very strong in the beginning as they have a lot on their plates, but do intend to continue in the near future.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

Motion/second (Garro/Richter). Approved.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION –

Zills spoke about the Fairground Facelift contest that Grinnell Insurance is offering grant money to the top three. Green Lake County Fairgrounds is in the top 15 and needs everyone to vote daily via Facebook.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- nEXT Generation
- If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Dampier.
- Next regular meeting date: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 in the Training Room at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Mehn/Richter) to adjourn at 10:10 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ninneman, Program Specialist

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