



# ***GREEN LAKE COUNTY***

*571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941*

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**January 8, 2018**

**The following documents are included in the packet for the  
Ag/Extension Education & Fair Committee Meeting on  
Tuesday, January 9, 2018:**

- 1) Cover Sheet
- 2) Agenda
- 3) Draft minutes from the December 12, 2017 meeting
- 4) County Library Reports
- 5) Educator Report for: Katie Gellings (Health & Well-Being Extension Educator).



**AGRICULTURE, EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR  
MEETING NOTICE**

***Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.  
Green Lake County Government Center, Training Room  
571 County Road A, Green Lake, Wisconsin***

**AGENDA**

**Committee**

**Members:**

Joanne Guden,  
*Chair*  
Bob Schweder,  
*Vice-Chair*  
Patti Garro  
Katie Mehn

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1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Notice
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of December 12, 2017 Minutes
6. Public Comments – 3 Minute Limit
7. Public Appearances  
County Library Services Report – Linda DeNell, Caestecker Public Library
  - a. Submitted Monthly Report
8. Correspondence
9. **FAIR**
10. **UW-EXTENSION**
  - a. Educators' Summary of Monthly Reports & Relevant Trainings, Meetings & Programs
  - b. Ag Educator Search Update - Discussion
  - c. Area Extension Director Report
  - d. 2018 MOU Update
  - e. Approval of Educator Out of County Days – Discussion/Approval
  - f. Committee Discussion
11. Future Agenda Items
12. Next Regular Meeting Date – Tuesday, February 13, 2018
13. Adjournment

Kindly arrange to be present; if unable to attend, please notify our office.

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*Please note: Meeting area is accessible to the physically disabled. Anyone planning to attend who needs visual or audio assistance should contact the UW-Extension Office at 294-4032 no later than Noon on the day preceding the meeting.*



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, December 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  
Bob Schweder

Staff Present: Jay Dampier  
Katie Gellings  
Kathy Ninneman  
Kim Zills

Also Present: Harley Reabe, County Board Chairman; Linda DeNell, Caestecker Library Director, Green Lake.

### **AGENDA**

***Motion/second (Garro/Mehn)*** to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

### **MINUTES**

***Motion/second (Garro/Mehn)*** to approve the November 14, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Nothing.

**PUBLIC APPEARANCES** – None.

### **COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT – LINDA DENELL, CAESTECKER PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Submitted monthly reports on file. DeNell announced the staff update at the Berlin Library. DeNell highlighted areas in each of the library reports. Guden announced there will be a PLSR (Public Library System Redesign) coming up in the near future.

**CORRESPONDENCE** – None.

### **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT RENEWAL UPDATE**

Zills informed the Committee that she is still working on the Maintenance contracts.

### **2018 CONTRACTS**

Nothing.

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

Written monthly report on file for Gellings. Gellings also gave a verbal report.

### **AG EDUCATOR SEARCH UPDATE**

Dampier updated the Committee on the search for the county Ag Educator and scheduled dates for all interviews and the areas this position is posted.

### **AREA EXTENSION DIRECTOR REPORT**

Dampier handed out his report and gave a verbal report as well.

**APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS**

***Motion/second (Garro/Mehn).*** Approved.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION** –

Nothing.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Dampier.
- Next regular meeting date: January 9, 2018 in the Training Room at 9:00 a.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

***Motion/second (Mehn/Schweder)*** to adjourn at 9:35 a.m. Motion carried.

*Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ninneman, Program Specialist*

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## Green Lake County Library Activities Report for January 2018

**Berlin:** January will be a fun month for us at the Berlin Library. We are looking forward to our craft classes starting back up again and hope that the positive energy and fun activities happening in our Children's Department continues.

We are expecting our Children's Department to be repainted in February, which will most likely result in the library being closed for a day for us to properly move all of the books away from the shelf. The new library furniture should arrive towards the end of the month. The library staff is excited for our department updates!

Staff Update Reminder: I will be leaving my position of Library Director at the Berlin Public Library with my last day in the library being January 12. Patron Services Coordinator, Chris Kalupa, will be starting as the new Library Director on January 15. It has been wonderful working with you all!

**Green Lake:** Ah, January. A month of computers and movies here in Green Lake, and the kickoff to a celebration of 2018 as the Year of the Bird. Watch the website as details are still being finalized, but we expect it will be fantastic.

Meanwhile, the Friends are having a book sale on Saturday, January 6. We're starting a bi-weekly program called Silver Surfers for seniors who wish to learn more about computers (or tablets or smart phones) and social media, the Road to the Oscars movie series begins again on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, and we will learn more about what makes a great cup of coffee with Carrie Nolen of Sassafra. So much to come in for, and I haven't even mentioned the great books and DVDs we have on order!

**Kingston:** We had a successful Cookie Walk on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, raising \$1300.00 for the library. We will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's, as we have done for the last 14 years now-since moving into the new building. Story hour for the children will resume Thursday, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> after the week off. The Loosely Bound Book Club has picked the title I Gave My Heart to Know This by Ellen Baker for the Jan. discussion on the 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. January is the month we start planning the summer reading program and other fundraisers that we will hold during the coming year. Thank you for your support this past year! Merry Christmas!!

**Markesan:** We will be taking a short break from programs during the month of January. We continue to work on the programs for next year and look forward to an exciting year. We will begin working on our annual report, counting everything in sight. The board of trustees is working on a long range plan for the library. We will be looking at where we want to go and the best way to get there.

**Princeton:** The Princeton Library is closing out the year on a good note. The Fundraising Committee for the Library Expansion Project has raised a total of \$517,000 toward our \$790,000 project. Our original goal for this year was just \$400,000. We already have fundraising events planned for each month of the first half of 2018.

Our summer reading program showed good numbers, and our circulation numbers are higher than those of last year. And we have added new regular monthly programming to our schedule, including a middle school book club and weekly kids' crafts. Our Storytime attendance has been the highest it has been in years.

We had good attendance at our kids' programming in December. We made ice cream with Katie Gellings from UW Extension and gingerbread houses with frosting thanks to Renard's Bakery. We can't keep our Christmas books and movies on the shelf.



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Katie Gellings  
Green Lake County  
Family Living Educator  
December 2017

This report briefly describes the work that was completed within the Family Living Program in December of 2017. During the reporting period, the educator made 111 direct educational and professional contacts.

**Educational Programming, Networking and Outreach in the Local Community**

*Lunch and Learn Workshop Series, Forward Service, Berlin*

In the beginning of November I started teaching a series of six workshops at Forward Service in Berlin. The topics included in the series are: basic budgeting (part I), basic budgeting (part II), Rent Smart (lesson 1), Rent Smart (lesson 2), credit and debt, and healthy cooking on a budget. Thus far over 15 participants have taken advantage of the free workshops. The final two workshops were going to be held in December but were postponed to January due to low enrollment in W2 and FoodShare. The evaluation data collected from the first four workshops is below:

N = 5 of 5 (October 2017) Budgeting and Money Management	% Reporting [only] 1 Unit of Change	% Reporting [at least] 2 or > Units of Change
I am confident in my ability to make smart money management decisions.	0.0%	100.0%
I understand the importance of creating a spending plan.	0.0%	100.0%
I am confident in my ability to use a spending plan that I created.	20.0%	80.0%
I understand the various ways to track spending.	0.0%	100.0%
I am confident in my ability to track my spending properly.	0.0%	100.0%

N = 10 of 10 (November 2017) Rent Smart	% Reporting [only] 1 Unit of Change	% Reporting [at least] 2 or > Units of Change
I feel prepared to answer questions from a potential landlord about my rental history and situation.	0.0%	100.0%
I understand the terms and details of a rental agreement/lease.	0.0%	100.0%
I understand the procedures to follow when ending a rental agreement/lease.	50.0%	50.0%
I understand the notices a landlord can give a tenant.	0.0%	100.0%
I understand the ways to avoid deductions from a security deposit.	20.0%	80.0%

**Networking within UW Extension and Professional Development Opportunities**

I made 98 contacts within the UW Extension system during the month of December. I continue to have a number of professional meetings scheduled with colleagues and mentors to continue to network and learn from my fellow Extension educators.

*Cooperative Extension Programming Gathering, Wisconsin Dells*

I attended the Cooperative Extension Programming Gathering in early December in the Wisconsin Dells. This was an all-day meeting that included breakout sessions on implementing the new model. I attended the Center for Food, Health, & Nutrition breakout session and the Center for Financial Security breakout session. Both of these Centers are located under the Health & Well-Being Institute in the new model.

**Newspaper Articles**

“Donating to the Food Pantry? Keep Quality and Food Safety in Mind” Berlin Journal Newspapers. December 11, 2017. By Katie Gellings, Family Living Educator

**Out of County Days**

- 3 Out of county days for December (Cooperative Extension Programming Gathering, Wisconsin Dells -1\*; Dollars During Development Workgroup meeting, Oshkosh – 1\*; Mentor meeting, Oshkosh – 1)
- 1 Out of county days for January (Family Living Gathering, Plover – 1\*)

\* Travel expenses are covered by UW Extension