

# **DODGE COUNTY UW EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

## **September 16, 2014**

The Dodge County UW-Extension Education Committee met on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-Extension conference room 1C at the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Chairman Behl at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Allen Behl, Darrell Pollesch, Gerald Adelmeyer and Annette Thompson. Ed Nelson was an excused absence.

**Also present:** Jeff Hoffman, Community Development Educator and Department Head, Marie Witzel, Youth Development Educator, Elsie Gonzalez, Dairy & Livestock Agent and Amanda Hilliard, Nutrition Educator.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Thompson, seconded by Adelmeyer to approve minutes for August 19, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:**

Behl handed out letter for Public Issues Leadership Development that is going to be held on April 11-15, 2015 in Washington, D.C.

**APPROVAL OF PER DIEMS:** Motion by Thompson, seconded by Pollesch to approve the regular meeting per diems.

**REVIEW OF BILLS** Review of the UW-Extension revenues and expenses.

### **DEPARTMENT BUSINESS:**

- a. Reviewed UW-Extension Revenues and Expenses for August 2014.
- b. Discussion and recap of the Dodge County Clean Sweep program 2014.
  1. Jeff Hoffman informed everyone that there were approximately 600-700 participants throughout the three locations which were slightly less than 2012 but the total amount collected will be more. Juneau had 150 which was the busiest that location has had. Only issue that occurred was a lot of individuals had a difficult time located the Mayville (Mallard Dr.) address. Will need to educate public on the locations better in the future. Sheriff's office collected 22 boxes of pharmaceuticals. Ag producers were more active than in the past. Also, need to educate the townships (the summer prior) better in the future on what they are bringing.
- c. Discussion and consideration of the visioning process for the Ag Agent with Crops & Soils emphasis position.
  1. The visioning process will be held on Thursday, October 16, 2014, from 1pm-3pm in the Administration Building room 1F & 1G. It will be run like the 4-H visioning session with an explanation of the position, potential program and discussion of wants/needs for the position. A list of names of producers, stakeholders, co-op, consultants, etc., is needed from the committee. Moderator/facilitator will be Matt Hanson with Barb Larson and Jeff Hoffman in attendance.
- d. Discussion and consideration for Marie Witzel to attend National Association of Extension 4-H Agents Conference in Minneapolis, MN October 26-30, 2014.

1. Motion by Pollesch, seconded by Adelmeyer, to approve the Marie Witzel to attend the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents Conference in Minneapolis, MN October 26-30, 2014.
- e. Discussion and consideration of contract between the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System and Dodge County, - Dodge County UW-Extension Agents Contract, 133-PRJ56LW
  1. Motion by Pollesch, seconded by Thompson, to approve the contract signing for the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System and Dodge County – Dodge County UW-Extension Agents Contract 133-PRJ56LW.
- 9a. Discussion and consideration of grant applications for the County Conservation Aids Grants Program
  1. Motion by Behl, seconded by Thompson, to approve and designate funds from the Conservation Aids Grant to be awarded to the Beaver Dam Lake Improvement Association application.
10. Discussion and consideration of Drainage Board candidates
  1. The Extension Committee nominates the following three individuals to have letters of interest sent to them:
    - a. Jeff Schmidt (Beaver Dam), Joe Zwieg (Ixonnia) and Chris Coughlin (Watertown)

**EDUCATORS' REPORTS:**

Hoffman: Hoffman shared that he has completed the preliminary 2015 budget and submitted it to Administrator Mielke for review. He added that he will complete the summary report on the Clean Sweep events by November. He commented that he is working on scheduling Fall and Winter programming.

Witzel: Witzel shared that she has had a busy first 2 weeks. Old Time Gathering on Sept 13 had a smaller attendance than in the past. She conducted the Annual Leader Training on Sept 15 followed by a leader association meeting. Record Book checking is this week and club officer training is later this month. She reminded the committee that they should attend and help give out awards at the Achievement Banquet on Oct 17, any volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

Gonzalez: Elsie shared that 40 people attended the Dairy Margin Protection Program information meeting on September 8. Also the Farm Safety and OSHA training had 8 participants and was directed to those farms with over 11 employees. The meeting was followed with 2 farm visits in the area. Elsie is currently working on the Dairy & Livestock Needs Assesment Survey for the county.


Hilliard: Hilliard shared that the newly formed partnership between WNEP and Second Harvest mobile pantries continue to be successful. Second Harvest participants state they are enjoying and find the monthly nutrition mini-lessons very educational. Hilliard and Nutrition Education Coordinator, Becky Gutzman, will be meeting with SAGES school in Fox Lake to discuss implementing Nutrition programming at SAGES. SAGES now meets the Free & Reduced lunch requirement that allows them to receive programming from WNEP. Hilliard and Gutzman previously met with the Beaver Dam School District and are waiting to hear back and finialize Nutrition programming for this school year.

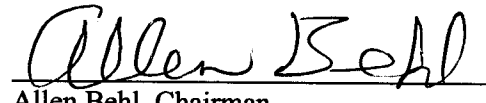
**COMMUNICATION:** None

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next regularly scheduled Extension Committee meeting, October 21, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. at the UW-Extension Conference Room 1C, in the Dodge County Administration Building at 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before this committee, it was motioned by Pollesch and seconded by Thompson to adjourn at 9:52 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Gerald Adelmeyer, Secretary

  
Allen Behl, Chairman