

Crawford County Agriculture and Extension Education
225 N. Beaumont Rd, Suite 215
Prairie du Chien, WI 53821
Thursday, February 1, 2018

Minutes

Chairman Dull called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Roll Call: Wade Dull, David Olson, Wayne Jerrett, Mary Kuhn, Donald Stirling. Others in attendance: Will Cronin, Craig Saxe (Area Extension Director), Karen Snitker. Amy Mitchell is attending a beef event in South Dakota.

Posting of agenda verified by Snitker.

Motion by Kuhn, second by Olson, to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried with no negative votes cast.

University of WI Extension Items – Reports:

Will Cronin – CNRED Educator

- Will is winding things up so things are in shape for the next CNRED Educator. He reports the various stakeholders he's been involved with provided feedback and are advocating the county fill the position.
- Will has been involved with helping to design the phasing process for the Community Vitality Placemaking Team that is overseen by various state specialist. Will presented the final version for the committee to review; copy will be placed on file. Will was involved with helping to design the phasing process.
 - A major community survey was done – kids wanted McDonald's. It was determined this request represents the need for communities to provide a way for youth to have a casual meeting place, etc. and should be taken into consideration for this plan.

Sonya – FoodWise Nutrition Coordinator

- Provided nutrition education to Wauzeka students in 2nd- 4th grades in January.
- Provided a Grocery Store Tour for Head Start Families.
- Attended a 2-day Supervisor Training in Madison.
- Hired and helped on-board a nutrition educator in Richland County, Amanda Coorough, her first day was January 29, 2018.
- Amy Mitchell and I are working together to offer a Youth Advocate Program in the County. Our plan is to recruit two high school youth from each of the four school districts in the county to be part of this team. They will attend a state training and develop a plan to address health at a policy, system and environmental level.

Ag and Extension Education Committee Related Items –

- Update on filling vacant positions –Craig Saxe, Area Extension Director.
 - Craig announced the La Crosse educator positions are now full and Vernon County is in the process of filling two of their vacancies.
 - Crawford County Ag and Extension committee prefers filling Ag and Family Living vacancies by following the Vernon County hiring process, filling both positions at the same time and the next round, fill the CNRED position.

Public Comments – None presented

Date of next meeting: Thursday, March 1, 2018. Mary Kuhn will be absent.

Approve payment of bills –

- Motion by, Olson, second by Kuhn to approve Ag/Extension bills as presented. Motion carried by roll call.

Correspondence - None

Motion by Kuhn, second by Olson. Meeting adjourned 9:47. AM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Snitker, Program Assistant