

Crawford County Ag/Extension Committee Meeting
Crawford County Administration Building Room 236
Prairie du Chien, WI 53821
Thursday, June 6, 2019
Minutes

Chairman Dull called the meeting to order 10:12 a.m. Members present: Wade Dull, David Olson, Wayne Jerrett, Donald Stirling, Mary Kuhn. Others present: Amanda Griswold, Amy Mitchell, Craig Saxe, Karen Snitker.

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Motion by David to approve May 2 and May 15 minutes, second by Don. Motion carried unanimously.

University of Wisconsin Extension Items

Educator Reports

- Adam Hady, Agriculture Agent is participating in a PQA Site Assessment in Grant County.
- Amy Mitchell, 4-H Youth Development Agent –
 - May 2, met with other 4-H educators to explore different camp options to hold 4-H camp versus Upham Woods, which has become more costly, etc. Currently no decision was made.
 - Currently 21 campers have signed up this year.
- April/May
 - The following project meetings were held - Shooting sports, (just had shooting sports pre-fair event), Dog, Horse and Clothing.
 - Held the Youth Quality Care of Animals training. 4-H, FFA, etc. members are required to attend in person to be able to show at the fair. 50 kids attended.
 - Held new leader trainings – leaders have to do a 3-step qualification process to become a leader.
 - Drama festival was held the end of April – Prairie du Chien School District is wonderful to work with.
 - Wrote some grants beginning of May – \$2500 grant for science program and \$2500 for Farm 2 School.
 - Did a continuation grant for AmeriCorps volunteer. We're hiring ½ (20 hours a week) time Nutrition Education Volunteer to go in schools; some work will be involved with connecting farmers to the schools. The volunteer can work remotely.
 - Elected to be Chairperson for Children's Advisory Board (CAB). CAB partners with law enforcement, schools and other county groups.
 - Attended a Professional Development Conference in Stevens Point.
- Amanda Griswold, Human Development and Relationships Educator
 - Busy with trainings – met with Cohort/s; most meetings through zoom.
 - Presented a Home Alone Training at Safety Day Camp. Working on press releases regarding that camp.
 - Healthy living – sent out 1st Well WI Program newsletter to all the county employees

- Giving Closet – Both the Resource Center and Catholic Charities closed. However, Catholic Women’s group is going to continue offering the Giving Closet for everyone.
- Attended a childcare meeting to determine what our community needs, how it’s being addressed and how to help both in accessing and addressing the need in our county.
- Went to an ACT training for 2-10 years old.
- Attended Meetings: Statewide Initiatives – Fatherhood, eparenting and Co-parenting is the focus now.

Review Agents June programs and activities

- Amy – Working on programming around the county.
- Amanda - Signed up to become a facilitator of Strong Bodies, working on Home Alone press releases, Co-Parenting training, Raising a thinking child – finish the training on that and working on her required State Work Plan.

Ag and Extension Education Committee Related Items

- Craig Saxe, Area Extension Director
 - UW-Extension Educator Position/s
 - Community, Nat. Resource & Economic Development Educator –
 - Initial offer was made; the candidate is interested to accept. Waiting on Driftless WI response. If all goes well, July 1 may be the start date.
 - FoodWise -
 - Ten candidates, 4 for final interview date, July 8, Crawford County Administration Building, Suite 236, Prairie du Chien, WI.
 - Dissolution of WACEC/Creation of WEXA – Motion by David, second by Mary to approve WACEC dissolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 - Office Space – Discussion occurred regarding the number of individuals currently using office space, whether it is regularly or sporadically, and how to effectively meet the needs of those individuals and those who have yet to fill job openings.

Public Comments – None presented.

Date of next meeting – July 3, 2019.

Motion to approve payment of bills by Wayne, second by Mary. Motion carried unanimously by roll call.

Correspondence – None

Adjournment – Motion by David, second by Wayne. Meeting adjourned 11:12 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Snitker, Ag/Extension Program Assistant