

Crawford County Ag/Extension Committee Meeting  
Crawford County Administration Building Room 215  
Prairie du Chien, WI 53821  
Thursday, November 7, 2019  
Minutes

Chairman Dull called the meeting to order 10:05 a.m. Members present: Wade Dull, David Olson, Wayne Jerrett, Donald Stirling. Absent: Mary Kuhn.

Others present: Amanda Griswold, Jessica Spayde, Craig Saxe, Karen Snitker

Snitker verified posting of Agenda.

Motion by David to approve minutes, second by Wayne. Motion carried unanimously.

University of Wisconsin Extension Items

Educator Reports

- Jessica Spayde – Community Development Educator
  - September and October:
    - Attended a new colleague orientation, participated in zoom orientations and networking with people across the state with specialists to help the communities.
    - Wauzeka – Helping them in strategic planning. Joined Jim Bowman in holding 4 sessions to ascertain current needs and working on widening the scope.
    - Working with Jim Bowman, attending DDI board meetings and working with Main Street program to get that board developed, budget, etc.
    - Going to different town and village board meetings, Bell Center, Steuben, Haney, etc.
    - Participating in Healthy Roots meetings
    - Professional Development – Involved in continuing to become more fully acquainted with Economic Development program.
    - Attended a Community Development Institute training; this training was key in helping to do what needs to be done to facilitate county needs.
    - Helping with Pop-Up Shop opening in PdC – Chocolate Shoppe opening.
- Amy Mitchell, 4-H Youth Development Agent – Attending National 4-H Agent Conference
- Amanda Griswold, Human Development and Relationships Educator
  - Attended Love and Logic Training.
  - Caring for Toddlers programing - Working with a researcher; held a training with three people participating.
  - Involved with the Healthy Roots Community Forum and assessment.
  - Prepared for and partnered with Jim Hackett, Emergency Management, in holding an Emergency Planning for Daycare Providers.
  - Held a Parents Forever Class.
  - Continuing the ongoing orientation training and networking process through zoom meetings, etc.

Review Agents/Educator programs and activities – Amanda and Jessica reviewed their November calendars.

## Ag and Extension Education Committee Related Items

- Craig Saxe, Area Extension Director
  - UW-Extension Educator Position/s
    - FoodWise Educator
      - Richland County Educator starts next Thursday.
      - The Crawford County Educator candidate declined a position offer. Sheena will repost the position with closing date expected early December.
      - Consensus by committee, to reach a broader range of people, an ad will be placed in the Courier and Independent and one in the Shopping News.
    - Ag position – Craig announced the Richland County Board reinstated funding for Ag/Extension support staff and the Ag position will be posted as 50/50 position with Crawford and Richland County. Posting date will be early December with interviews projected for mid-January. The position will be posted beyond local papers through the UW-System. By consensus of the community, local ads will be placed in the Courier, Boscobel Dial and Independent.
    - By consensus of the committee, the Extension cost of ads for both positions should be kept to under \$500.
  - 2020 Educator Contract
    - Motion by David to approve the “Contract Between Crawford County and Board of Regents of the University of WI System” for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31 2020. Second by Wayne; motion carried unanimously by roll call.

Public Comments – None presented.

Date of next meeting – December 5, 2019 with January 2, 2020, the first meeting scheduled in 2020.

11:30a.m. – Wade left meeting; David assumed chair responsibilities.

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

Correspondence – None

Wade returned to the meeting.

Adjournment – Motion by Wayne, second by Don. Meeting adjourned 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Snitker, Program Assistant