

Crawford County Agriculture and Extension Education  
225 N. Beaumont Rd, Suite 236 Prairie du Chien, WI 53821  
Thursday, January 5, 2017  
Minutes

Chairman Dull called the meeting to order at 9 AM.

Roll Call: David Olson, Donald Stirling, Wade Dull, Wayne Jerrett, Mary Kuhn. Others in attendance: Amy Mitchell, Will Cronin, Vance Haugen, Sonya Lenzendorf, Jane Schaaf, Karen Snitker.

Posting of agenda verified by Snitker.

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

University of WI Extension Items –

Will Cronin – CNRED Educator – Having already passed the CNRED Department Standards Rank and Promotion Committee Review, Will announced he passed the 1<sup>st</sup> step in the tenure process. As part of this process, a key piece of work Will completed was a portfolio of his plans of work during his full time with Extension. He provided a copy of the portfolio for the committee to look through.

- Next Thursday Will is presenting at the WI Local Foods Summit held in LaCrosse next week; he'll be presenting on the work he's done this year on Farmers Markets.
- Interim Director of Crawford County Economic Development Corporation, Jim Bowman, asked Will if the Extension office would be able provide some administrative assistance to CCEDC. With the committee's approval, contingent on Karen Snitker's ability to accomplish her Extension tasks, the office is willing to give this arrangement a try.

Amy Mitchell – 4-H Youth Development Educator – Amy distributed a hardcopy of her report: report will be placed on file.

Sonya Lenzendorf, WNEP Coordinator –

- Ended Nutrition classes held Oct-Dec in Prairie du Chien schools and followed with holding a family event after school. There were five classrooms in each grade level.
- Getting ready to start teaching in Seneca on Friday.
- Finishing year end and 1<sup>st</sup> quarter reporting.
- Shared a sugar lesson used in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

Jane Schaaf, Family Living Agent – Jane highlighted the dynamics of the Love and Logic class just completed. Love and Logic is a 6 week class designed to work with parents of kids 3-18. Jane also presented a hard copy of the last two Farm to School newsletters and a brief update on where the two Farm to School volunteers are involved.

Vance Haugen, Agriculture Agent -

- Working on end-of-year reports.
- Presented a synopsis of a Pasture Hog Co-op meeting held at Seneca Highway Department. Vance assisted in publicizing, etc. There were 41 attendees; at least half are already producing pastured pork. The group is working on putting together a Pasture Pork Coop. Vance will continue to assist as need arises.
- Occasionally asked to do guest lecturing. Ken Albrecht, Agronomy Professor, invited Vance to be a guest lecturer towards the end of the semester. Vance's topic was on what's important on a working farm. Students demonstrated interest in the topic by remaining after the session to ask more questions.

- Continuing Education – December 15 attended Farm Management training. Topics: Dairy Marketing, Grain Marketing and Commodity Records.
- Outside of county – Vance is a Regional Vice-Chair of the UW-Extension Ag Mentoring Team; he works with nine Professional faculty members in SW Region.
- The Statewide Extension Specialist workgroup Vance was involved in has ended. This workgroup has forwarded the information to the next level and will be used to help determine the direction Extension is headed.

Review Agents Programs and Activities – January calendars were distributed.

Ag and Extension Education Committee Related Items – None presented.

Public Comment – None presented.

Date of next meeting: February 2, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

Approve payment of bills: Ag/Extension bills presented by Snitker; motion to approve as presented by Olson; second by Stirling. Motion carried unanimously by call of the roll. Fair bills presented by Snitker; motion to pay bills as presented by Jerrett, second by Kuhn. Motion carried unanimously by call of the roll.

Correspondence: None.

Motion by Kuhn, second by Olson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned 10:13 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Snitker, Program Assistant