

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
AGRICULTURAL & EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Monday, January 14, 2019

Chairman Gentz called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

1. The meeting was properly announced.
2. Members present: Merlin Gentz, Mike Hofberger, Joe Mueller, Pat Laughrin, and Duaine Stillman.
Also present: Tami Gasch, 4-H Program Coordinator. Amber O'Brien, Agriculture Educator arrived at 12:00 pm.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Moved by Supervisor Stillman and seconded by Supervisor Mueller to approve the agenda for the January 14, 2019, Ag & Extension Education Committee meeting. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Moved by Supervisor Mueller and seconded by Supervisor Hofberger to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2018, Agriculture & Extension Education Committee meeting. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Public Participation - none
7. Report of Committee Members
 - a. Reports of official meetings held since the last Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
 - Hofberger reported on meeting he attended for Winnebago Waterways. Topics they discussed were long-term projects that would take a lot of time to achieve and the need to show progress, even if it is slow.
 - Gentz reported on the Supporting Farmers during Challenging Times media coverage and commended Amber's involvement in the session.
 - Gentz commended Amber and Tony Reali for taking a part in the Calumet County Water Quality Taskforce. They are important county and university resources for the group.
 - b. Upcoming Events
 - Land & Water series (3 meetings), requested Amber's presence at those meetings
8. Communications – none
9. Items for Action or Discussion
 - a. Tami Gasch, 4-H Program Coordinator – Community Partnerships
 - Tami discussed the different community groups she is partnering with to extend the 4-H message. Some of these partnerships include:
 - Wisconsin Interscholastic Fishing Association to expand fishing project
 - Silver Lake College to expand volunteer resource base
 - b. Amber O'Brien, Agriculture Extension Educator – Winter Agriculture Programming Update
 - Amber shared a written report.
10. Report of Department
 - a. Catherine Neiswender, UW-Extension Assistant Dean
 - Catherine was unable to attend the meeting, so she also shared a report highlighting staff, budget, and Area 10, State, and UW-Extension updates.
 - Committee would like more information about the AED role, and their interaction with that person, and what the committee's roles are.

11. Set next meeting date: The next meeting of the Agriculture and Extension Education Committee will be held on Monday, February 11, at 10:30 am.
12. Adjourn
Supervisor Mueller moved to adjourn and Supervisor Stillman seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Gasch