

Agriculture & Education Committee
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Agriculture & Extension Education Committee
Wednesday, May 12, 2021
UW Extension
Teleconference

Unapproved Minutes

Committee Members Present:

Chair Bostwick, Supervisor Sweeney, Supervisor Stevens, Supervisor Aegerter, Supervisor Lokrantz

Committee Members Absent:

None

Staff Members Present:

Christine Wen, Tara Hanley, Mike Parille, Terri Carlson, Erin Conway

Others Present:

Fair Board President Ryan George

1. Call to Order: Chair Bostwick called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.
2. Adoption of Agenda: Ms. Wen requested item #3 be stricken from the agenda until next meeting. Supervisor Lokrantz moved approval of the agenda for May 12, 2021 with changes; second by Supervisor Sweeney. ADOPTED.
3. Approval of Minutes from April 14, 2021
4. Citizen Participation, Communication and Announcements
Ms. Hanley noted there were no public comments submitted for the meeting.

Terri Carlson provided a statement on an intrusive weed (Lesser Celandine) that is being spotted in Rock County. She has been communicating with local agencies regarding it and asked for support in spreading the word to the Rock County communities.

Extension:

5. Review of Extension Bills
Reviewed
6. Program Update
 - a.) Agriculture Educator Vacancy Update

Ms. Wen stated conversations have been continuing regarding details of a regional Ag position that is focused in crops and soils. She is having another meeting next week and with Jefferson County after that. Jefferson County also has a vacant Ag position.

b.) Community Youth Development Program Update

Erin Conway provided the committee with an update of recent programming focusing on where we were 2 years ago compared to 1 year ago. Supervisor Lokrantz stated he had the opportunity to work with Ms. Conway and it was beneficial to see the work firsthand.

Fairgrounds:

7. Review of Fairgrounds Maintenance Bills and Contracts
Reviewed

8. Fairgrounds
Mr. Parille reviewed the most recent Fairgrounds repairs and maintenance including roof on the curling club building and restroom being completed, restroom repairs, and electrical work. The new County master electrician begins June 4th.

9. Fair Board Report
No Report

10. Comments from the Committee
None

11. Adjournment
Supervisor Lokrantz moved to adjourn at 7:44 p.m., second by Supervisor Sweeney. ADOPTED

Tara Hanley
Rock County UW Extension
Administrative Services Supervisor

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