

MINUTES APPROVED 11/19/12
AG & EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONROE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE, ROLLING HILLS COMPLEX, ROOM 220
Wednesday, October 17, 2012

Meeting was called in accordance with open meeting law requirements.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nodji Van Wychen at 9:02 a.m.

Members present were: Nodji Van Wychen, Mary Cook, Gail Chapman, and David Pierce. Agents present were: Bill Halfman, Karen Joos, Will Cronin and Amy Steies. Others present were: Jarrod Roll, Alli Karrels, Cathy Schmit joined the meeting at 9:54 a.m. Members absent were: Dale Greeno

Motion was made by Gail Chapman to accept the minutes for the past meeting as printed. Seconded by David Pierce. Motion carried. 4-0-1

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 19, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the Extension Office, Rolling Hills Complex, Room 220.

THE DEKE SLAYTON MEMORIAL SPACE AND BIKE MUSEUM REPORT was given by Alli Karrels. Motion was made by Mary Cook to accept the Deke Slayton Memorial Space and Bike Museum report. Seconded by David Pierce. Motion carried. 4-0-1 (report attached)

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM REPORT was given by Jarrod Roll. Motion was made by David Pierce to accept the Local History Room Report and pay bills for the month. Seconded by Mary Cook. Motion carried. 4-0-1 (report attached)

COUNTY FARM EDUCATION FUNDS

- ◆ Discussion of Other Potential Projects—no discussion

EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS AND BILLS

AGENT PROGRAM UPDATES/REPORTS—The Extension educators provided education current programs/impacts. Motion made by David Pierce to accept agent program reports and office bills/credit card expenditures. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 4-0-1 (reports attached)

MONROE COUNTY EXTENSION 133 CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR SECOND HALF OF 2012—Motion made by Mary Cook to accept the Monroe County Extension 133 Amended Contract for the second half of 2012 as presented. Seconded by David Pierce. Motion carried. 4-0-1

UPDATE DISCUSSION IN INTERIM 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT POSITION— The committee was informed that Amy Steies would not be able to continue as interim 4-H and Youth Development agent starting about mid-December. Preliminary interviews for the full time position are tentatively scheduled for December 10th and finals may be held in mid-December depending on the applicant pool. Based on this information, the interim position will remain open when Amy leaves. If needed, help from 4-H Youth Development Agents in the region is available for consultation and assistance. This could be revisited depending on how refilling the full time position goes.

Motion was made to adjourn by David Pierce, seconded by Mary Cook, and approved on a 4-0-1 vote at 10:29 a.m.

Bill Halfman, Recording Secretary

Amy Steies



Achievement Night

Agent has been coordinating the Achievement Night program that will be held October 20th. During that time, youth will be recognized for their efforts and accomplishments throughout the 2011-2012 enrollment year such as record book awards (project discs, honorable mentions, top Senior award), graduation awards in the form of a \$500 “scholarship” check, Junior Leader officer roles held, Ambassadors, National 4-H Week display participants, International Program participants, Secretary Book award winners, Key Award winner, state and national trip participants and more!

National 4-H Week— October 7-13th, 2012

Throughout the county, clubs have been creating a window display to showcase their club during National 4-H Week. The Tomah newspaper interviewed Agent, General Leader, and a youth member of 4-H about the Monroe County 4-H program as well as about National 4-H Week in order to include an article and photograph in their publication. Fair projects as well as the county 4-H’s promotional board were on display at the Deke Slayton Museum; individuals could mention it was National 4-H Week and receive free admission during that time span. Youth recorded radio spots with COW-97 that were to be broadcast during the morning farm show.

CLCs

The 2012-2013 school year CLC (Community Learning Center) after-school sessions are underway. Monroe County 4-H has a partnership with two county school districts, Brookwood and Sparta, in which Agent or 4-H leader teaches an enrichment session one time a month at each district. It is projected that in a 3-hour time span, Agent will be teaching STEM-based (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) after-school sessions to **over 200** students at the four Sparta School District elementary schools participating in the program. At the Brookwood District, there are two different age groups with about **40** youth participating. CLCs are open to any student; schools target students who may need extra homework help and could include those from low-income families, with special needs, and/or from a minority group. For those sessions Agent teaches, lessons are prepared and shared in advance so coordinators can arrange translation as needed with ESL (English as a Second Language) students. At times, 4-H leaders and youth sponsor a month’s session at a school. Thus far, Brookwood has three months’ worth of volunteers to teach sessions. There is also at least one youth 4-H member in attendance to help each month at Brookwood.

Club Officer Training

Agent, in addition to General Leaders, have been arranging speakers to be on-site at the Club Officer training held October 28th. Newly-elected officers are invited to learn what is expected of them throughout their term as President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Reporter roles in their club. Adults enlisted to teach the youth include county General Leaders and Executive Board members as well as a local teacher and business professional(s).



Ethan Habeck, Monroe County 4-H Dog Project Member, and his dog Sammy allow participants of the Day for Kids Event practice on the Dog Agility Course that was set up on-site. The event sponsored by Boys' and Girls' Club of Tomah was held Saturday, September 15th at Winnebago Park.

Amy Steies



Member Evaluations

In the upcoming month, interested youth will be turning in their Member Evaluation (M.E.) forms that will allow them to be eligible for state and national trips as well as several awards like "I Dare You" and "Key Award." Applicants are asked to document their experience and leadership in the 4-H program. Following the application deadline, interviews are held so judges can decide who gets the chance to go on the trips they are interested in. In an effort to engage and incorporate staff members and youth from the Ft. McCoy Fireflies afterschool 4-H club with affiliation with Monroe County, Agent has invited the Ft. McCoy Americorp VIS-TAS to judge the Member Evaluation applicants in addition to a Tomah-area business owner. This way, the Ft. McCoy afterschool coordinators will become more knowledgeable about the vast offering 4-H has so they can potentially incorporate them into their program as they see fit.

Upcoming Events

October

- 20-Achievement Night Program @ Cashton High School, 7:30 p.m.
- 21-Junior Leader Meeting @ Cashton Community Hall, 2 p.m.
- 23-Club Officer Training Registration Information Due to UW-Extension Office
- 24-Leaders' Banquet Registration Due to UW-Extension Office
- 28-Club Officer Training @ UW-Extension Office/Rolling Hills, Sparta, 2 p.m.-4 p.m. with pizza to follow sponsored by Junior Leaders

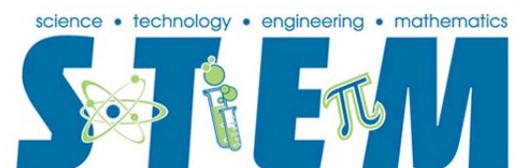


November

- 1-Member Evaluations Due to UW-Extension Office
- 3-Fall Forum @ Stevens Point
- 5-Members' Evaluation Interviews @ F&M Bank Community Room, Tomah, 5:00 p.m.
- 6-Brookwood CLC, 3:50 p.m.-5:15 p.m.
- 8-4-H Wisline @ 9-10:30 a.m.
- 9-Leaders' Banquet @ Colonial, Sparta; 6:30 p.m. Social Time/7:00 p.m. Meal
- 14-Record Book Committee Meeting @ Room 220, 7:30 p.m.
- 15-2012-2013 Enrollment Forms due to the Extension Office
- 19-Sparta CLC, 3:00-5:45 p.m.

December

- 1-Fall Youth Leadership Conference @ Chula Vista, Wisconsin Dells
- 4-Brookwood CLC, 3:50 p.m.-5:15 p.m.
- 6-Civils Rights Review Day @ UW-Extension Office
- 13-4-H Wisline @ 9-10:30 a.m.
- 17-Sparta CLC, 3:00-5:45 p.m.



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CNRED Agent Update, October 17, 2012

The CNRED Agent has been engaged in the following activities:

- Agent facilitated the strategic planning process for the Monroe County Safe Communities Coalition. The plan was formally adopted at the October meeting.
- Agent participated in a work session for the Cashton Community Wellness program, and will facilitate the first steps of the strategic planning process at the next meeting, tentatively scheduled for late October.
- Agent is working with members of the Economic Development, Commerce and Tourism Committee to plan a 2013 economic development conference. It will be a followup to the very-successful *Exploring Regional Economic Opportunities* conference.
- Agent is working with Extension specialists to prepare a work planning process in preparation for the creation of a county economic development corporation.
- The Economic Development Readiness Index is ready to be piloted, and discussions are in the works for an Extension economic development event focused on improving Extension ED practice and skills.
- Agent attended the annual CNRED Symposium on October 10-11.
- As part of the Extension office civil rights review, the CNRED Agent is gathering data and preparing a demographic presentation for the review team.
- IBuyMoCo programming continues. The Agent has distributed a literature piece to the Chambers of Commerce for their October newsletters focused on the low cost of shopping in Monroe County. Additionally, the Agent is now writing a monthly buy-local column for publication in county newspapers.
- The Agent is writing a blog for the Go Monroe County economic development website.

Monroe County Office
Agriculture & Extension Education Committee

Report by: Karen Joos

October 2012

Program Related

- Monroe County Housing Coalition Education Committee monthly meeting focused on final plans for the educational landlord workshop on October 25th (highlights of new legislation affecting landlords, recycling efforts, energy assistance programs, and smoke free apartments) as well as plans for a Homeless and Hunger Awareness event in November.
- As a coalition member, attended Monroe County Safe Communities Coalition monthly meeting.
- Monroe County bi-weekly OWI Court Team and Team Meetings
- Monthly HCE Bridge
- Wrote weekly Karen's Korner columns for the Sparta and Tomah newspapers
- Answered consumer food storage and food preservation questions
- Tested pressure canner dial gauge for accuracy

Jackson/Monroe/Vernon Leadership Program

- Marketing through individual contacts, letters and press releases for recruitment of Class VII participants. Planning and preparations for the September seminar.
- Coordinated and taught at the September Leadership Seminar. The day's program included making connections, leadership skills, "Gracious Space" and "Colors" assessment.

Other Activities

- Attended the National Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences Conference to receive the Extension Housing Outreach Award
- WAHCE State Conference, Madison
- Attended the quarterly Faculty Senate Meeting in Madison, representing the Department of Family Development for West and North District colleagues
- Attended Couleecap Local Planning meeting as a Monroe County and Board member.
- Attended County Harassment Training

Future program plans:

- OWI Court and evaluation plans
- WISCAP Poverty Matters Conference, presentation
- Jackson-Monroe-Vernon Leadership Program November & December Seminars
- Landlord Workshop

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Bill Halfman, Agriculture Agent

Agriculture Extension Update September 15, 2012 to October 17, 2012

Both of the corn grain foliar fungicide plots have been harvested. We saw no difference in corn grain yields between fungicide applications and untreated check trials at any location between any of the treatments.

A farm visit was conducted with David Kammel, UW Extension Biosystems Ag Engineer to assist a dairy farm with looking at options to modernize their farm operation with a parlor and freestall housing. Dr. Kammel has provided them with some layout plans with expansion options for buildings that they can use to get price quotes from contractors.

The Ag Agent was a tour guide for the bus tours at cranfest. Aside from crazy traffic, it went well.

The Ag Agent spent two days at district in-service trainings in September and two and a half days at the Agriculture and Natural Resources Annual In-service in October.

Somewhat related to work, the Ag Agent has been asked by the state 4-H shooting sports coordinator to be state trainer/certifier of volunteers for the shotgun program, which will result in conducting one to two weekend training sessions per year.

The Ag Agent has been asked to help continue beef related educational projects he has been a cooperator in during the absence of the state beef specialist. This happened last time this position was vacant. There is no anticipated negative impact on local efforts and programming, there was none last time.

Upcoming Events

October 10-12 UW Extension Agriculture and Natural Resources Annual Conference

October 25 Grant Writing Workshop

November 14th Pest Management Update- Sparta

November 28th Soil and Fertilizer Update- Sparta

November 30th Grain Marketing workshop- Melrose

December 11th Soybean Conference- Holmen

December 12-13 Midwest Value Added Conference- La Crosse

January 7th Agronomy Update- Sparta

January 15 – 17 Crop Management Conference- Madison

January ? Returning to the Farm Workshop- Melrose?

January 20-22 Fruit and Veg conference- Wi Dells

January 24 Corn Conference Black River Falls

January 26 Grape Growers conference- Viroqua

Jan 31 –Feb 1 Driftless Beef Conference- Dubuque

February ? Heart of the Farm

February ?? Cattle Feeders Road Show

February ?? Fresh Market Vegetable Workshop

??? Small Fruit Workshop- probably via webinar

??? Shifting gears Workshop??

March 2 Malting Barley and Hops Workshop, Wi Dells

March ? Grape Growers Field Day- Viroqua



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Informational Report:

| | 2012 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Audience Served | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December | YTD |
| Volunteer Hours: | 43 | 206 | 63 | 472 | 273 | 587 | 1247 | 153 | 334 | | | | |
| Number of Groups: | 5 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 13 | 13 | 4 | 8 | 3 | | | | |
| Adult Members Served: | 23 | 8 | 36 | 18 | 11 | 28 | 25 | 6 | 12 | | | | |
| 6-15 Age Members Served: | 4 | 1 | | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | | | | |
| < 5 Age Members Served: | 1 | 3 | | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Adult Non-Members Served: | 89 | 89 | 79 | 119 | 98 | 280 | 265 | 268 | 171 | | | | |
| 6-15 Age Non-Members Served: | 19 | 7 | 21 | 27 | 24 | 81 | 81 | 73 | 8 | | | | |
| < 5 Age Non-Members Served: | 18 | 6 | 12 | 7 | 7 | 27 | 27 | 13 | 8 | | | | |
| Number Served in Groups: | 62 | 467 | 556 | 468 | 563 | 701 | 562 | 319 | 124 | | | | |
| Total Audience Served: | 216 | 581 | 704 | 645 | 705 | 1119 | 963 | 681 | 323 | | | | 5937 |

Past Events:

- August 20: Wisconsin Council for Local History- southwest area meeting at Tomah Area Historical Society
- August 22: Concessions for Sparta Concert in the Park- Pat Water's Band
- August 24: Luncheon for new Sparta Area School District teachers
- August 26: Gatorfest Parade
- August 29: My Innovative Services- School group from LaCrosse
- September 18: Commander Nott of Ft. McCoy to tour the Museum
- September 19: Honorary Citizen Luncheon at museum in conjunction with Sparta Chamber
- September 26: New Teacher lunch seminar- getting involved in your community
- October 1-5: 4-H Week at the Museum
- October 12: Star Wars Reads Day event at the museum in conjunction with the Sparta Free Library

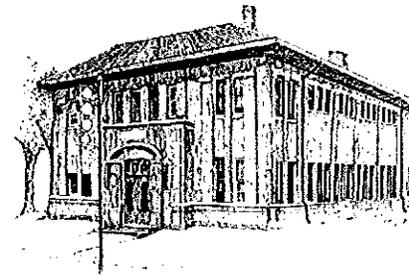
Upcoming Events:

- October 24: Ron Kind to visit the Museum
- October 25: Mr. Science program at the museum
- October 26: Trick or Treat at the Boys and Girls Club
- November: Will be sending out Annual Fund ask- secured a matching grant of \$5,000 from Union National Bank

If you have any questions, please call 608-269-0033. Thanks, Alli Karrels.

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County Historian's Report, September 2012 Submitted by Jarrod Roll, Director / County Historian

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

- Sorted through Framed Collection Storage, including cataloging items previously uncataloged and updating entries for others needing more information, took photos of the framed collections
- Created 2 minute video clips of the three DVD titles sold on the LHR website to help promote the videos.
- Ordered new shelving with wire decking for archives room; coordinated the removal of unnecessary storage furniture and switched out filing cabinets.
- Planned the Archives Award reception, including formulating the guest list and sending out invitations
- Continued researching and writing text for the Wegner Grotto signs; met with Beth Haun of Northern Engraving to go over sign materials and colors
- Attended the WI Council for Local History Annual Meeting in Madison, representing LHR at a promotional booth and attended sessions
- Created documents for mailing out for the Annual Fund, including the ask letter and 2012 Highlights page
- Attended half-day mandatory Harassment Training provided by the county
- Provided a program about community involvement to Sparta School District student teachers
- Regular tasks: provide research assistance to the public via email, telephone, mail, and in person patrons; create agenda and minutes; process photo duplication orders; balance LHR financial books and draft monthly report; process mail and bills; check fire extinguishers; send time sheets; process new donation offerings; chat with public; confer with Alli Karrells about museum issues and activities; attend Ag/Ex meeting; attend Co. Economic Development & Tourism Committee meeting and participate in related projects

In addition to the projects listed above, I supervise the following volunteer and support staff:

- Janet Hendersin: process new donations: assign accession numbers, catalog, store; assist researchers; assist with exhibit development
- Paul Kuester: work on indexing projects; work on clerical duties as assigned
- Agnes Jenkins: indexing newspapers
- Dennis Burek: photo scanning projects; data entry projects; assist with clerical duties
- Barb Reedich: research Water St. businesses for book/walking tour; answer research requests
- On call (Carolyn Hendersin, Dennis Burek, Mary Zischke): data entry; research assistance
- Helga Rogers: data entry projects; assist with clerical duties
- Sharon Wolford: indexing newspapers from home

August 31 to September 28, 2012



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Wegner Grotto Endowment Account Summary

Account No. 20592176

Closing Value \$126,718.03

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Investment Objectives

Primary: Growth with a medium risk tolerance and a time horizon exceeding 10 years.

Secondary: Income with a high risk tolerance and a time horizon exceeding 10 years.

Activity

| | This Statement | Year to Date |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$ 124,133.94 | \$ 108,488.47 |
| Deposits | \$ 0.00 | \$ 8,000.00 |
| Income | \$ 60.36 | \$ 1,187.40 |
| Withdrawals | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Expenses | \$ 7.20 | \$ (1,028.76) |
| Change in Value | \$ 2,496.53 | \$ 10,070.92 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 126,718.03 | \$ 126,718.03 |
| Purchases | \$ (80.34) | \$ (87,514.97) |
| Sales/Redemptions | \$ 0.00 | \$ 76,944.28 |

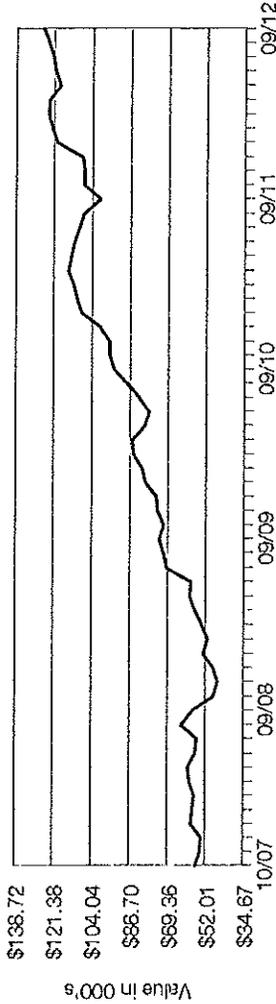
Time-Weighted Performance

See Understanding Your Statement for important information about these calculations.

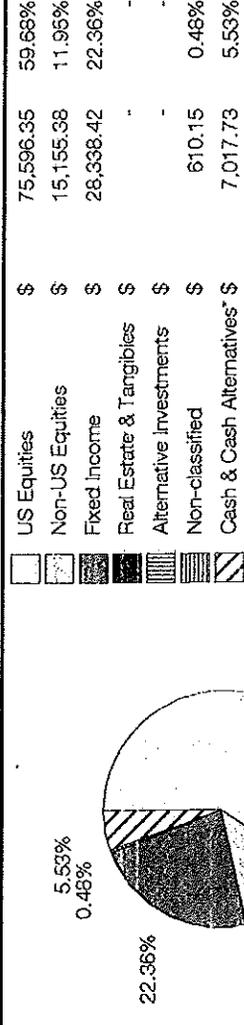
| Performance Inception | This Quarter | YTD | 2011 | 2010 | Annualized Since 12/27/2006 |
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| 12/27/06 | 4.65% | 8.93% | (4.70)% | 10.57% | (0.21)% |

Excludes some limited partnerships and unpriced securities. Annuity and RJ Bank CD performance may not be all inclusive.

Value Over Time



Asset Allocation Analysis



*Not all Cash & Cash Alternatives are liquid; \$5,988.07 is embedded in investment products

