MINUTES PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL
AG & EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
UW-Extension, Rolling Hills Complex, Room 220, Sparta, WI
Monday, October 12, 2015; 11:00 a.m.

Meeting was called in accordance with open meeting law requirements.

Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson David Pierce at 11:00 am.

Members present were: Dave Pierce, James Schroeder, and Mary Cook. Agents present were: Bill Halfman, Joshua Goede, and Erin Eggert. Others present were: Alli Karrell, Deke Slayton Space & Bicycle Museum Executive Director and Jarrod Roll, Monroe County Local History Room Director. Member(s) absent: Nodji Van Wychen and Gail Chapman

Motion was made by Mary Cook to accept the minutes for the past meeting as printed. Seconded by James Schroeder. Motion carried. 3-0-2.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Monroe County Extension Office, Rolling Hills Conference Room 220, Sparta.

THE DEKE SLAYTON MEMORIAL SPACE AND BIKE MUSEUM REPORT Motion was made by James Schroeder to accept the Deke Slayton Memorial Space and Bike Museum Report. Seconded by Mary Cook. Motion carried. 3-0-2. (report attached)

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM REPORT— Motion was made by James Schroeder to accept the Local History Room Report and pay bills for the month. Seconded by Mary Cook. Motion carried. 3-0-2 (report attached)

COUNTY FARM EDUCATION FUNDS
> Discussion of Other Potential Projects– no discussion

EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS AND BILLS
> Agent Program and Updates/Reports
The Extension educators (4-H & Youth Development, Family Living, & Agriculture) provided an update on current programs/impacts and reviewed office expenditures. Motion made by James Schroeder to accept agent program reports and review of expenditures. Seconded by Mary Cook. Motion carried. 3-0-2 (reports attached)

Motion was made to adjourn by James Schroeder, seconded by Mary Cook and approved on a 3-0-2 vote at 12:00 p.m.

—Bill Halfman, Recording Secretary
County Historian’s Report, September 2015
Submitted by Jarrod Roll, Director / County Historian

Highlighted Projects and Activities

- Installed signage on the Museum lawn and back entryway to direct visitors into the museum.
- Created promotional sign for I-Guide interactive digital tour
- Promoted Hannah’s “Genealogist’s Toolkit” series of programs for Saturdays in September
- Created the PowerPoint presentation, “A Very 1970s Christmas: A Case Study in Audience Building,” that I will be giving at the WI Local History Annual Meeting
- Researched the questions and problems associated with installing an elevator, meeting with key contacts
- Presented educational program to Sparta High School students and Sparta STEM students at the History Room
- Participated in the MCHS Cemetery Walk as an actor and gravestone cleaning demonstrator
- Sold items on eBay as a LHR fundraiser for preservation supplies, including photographing each item, describing it, listing it on eBay, packing it and mailing it to buyer
- Worked with Museum Services Associate to update the Local History Room’s Facebook page, including collecting content to post
- Began creating promotional materials for the next Collector’s Corner display—vintage Star Wars toys
- Regular tasks: provide research assistance to the public (via email, telephone, mail, and in person patrons); provide customer service to museum visitors; assign storage locations, catalog, and photograph artifacts removed from displays and those recently donated; balance LHR financial books and draft monthly report; check fire extinguishers; process new donation offerings; confer with Alli Karrells about museum issues and activities; attend monthly meetings (Ag/Ex Committee, Co. Economic Development & Tourism Committee, Dept Heads, MCHS)

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

- Janet Henderson: process new donations; assist researchers; assist with exhibit development
- 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
- Hannah Scholze (Museum Services Associate): assist with research requests, presented a three part public genealogy program for September; updated LHR Facebook page
- Helga Rogers: data entry projects; assist with clerical duties
- Scot Simpson: indexing the County Poor Farm / Asylum records
- John Lasko: represents and promotes LHR at public events
- Lucy Bailey: indexing newspapers; inventorying tax records in Courthouse basement
- Audra Hanson: inventorying tax records in Courthouse basement
- Jane Schmidt: indexing newspapers
- Sandy Walterman: clip, photocopy, and file recent obituaries
### Informational Report:

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### Past Events:

- Sept 16: Honorary citizens lunch in conjunction with the Sparta Area Chamber of Commerce
- Sept 17: Friends and Spouses - Ft. McCoy
- Sept 18: Chippewa Valley Museum of Technology - Street fair and traveling space exhibit
- Sept 25: Grant Writing workshop, part 1
- Oct 2: Grant Writing workshop, part 2
- Oct 8-10: Wisconsin Historical Society Conference in Madison
- Oct 9: Alli is presenting workshop on creating corporate membership at the conference
- Oct 10: Star Wars Reads Day event at the Museum

### Upcoming Events:

- Nov 5: Mr. Science at the Museum

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

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Informational Report

10/12/2015
Crawford/Monroe/Vernon Leadership
There was not enough interest in the three county area to hold this program this year. We will plan over winter and summer to build a program more centered on Monroe County.

Arts Camp
The Agent attended statewide 4-H Arts Camp on October 2-4. He was the Assistant Camp Director this year. This year Arts Camp worked on creating solid learning for the youth attending to bring home to their counties. The revised planning sheets will help the youth attending remember what they learned and how they planned to grow arts programing in their county. Monroe County is sent 4 youths this year. A 100% increase over 2014.

Junior Leaders
The program year is starting over and the Jr. Leaders will hold a meeting coming up to plan their activities for the coming year.

Record Books
The Agent has worked with the Record Book Committee to make the record books system work better. They have decided that this system will stay in place until 2019. The response is lower but the books look good.

Family Achievement Banquet
November 14th will be the combined Achievement Night and Leader Banquet re-dubbed Family Achievement Banquet. The event will be held at the Tomah American Legion. Dinner on the buffets will start at 6:30. The program will follow at 7:30.

Ft. McCoy
The Agent presented the National 4-H Science Experiment. There were 18 youth in two groups. The experiment this focuses on Physics. With a toy car and clay people we look at what happens when a car strikes a soft and hard barrier. We also do a demonstration looking at reaction times when distracted.

Community Learning Centers
The Agent has set up the 15-16 CLC schedule. He will be at Brookwood on the 1st Tuesday as in the past. Sparta has added a program at Cataract Elementary so that will be added to the rotation. So the 2nd Monday will be Cataract, 2nd Tuesday will be Lawrence Lawson, the 3rd Monday will be Maplewood and the 3rd Tuesday will be Southside. The first presentation for this year will be an adaptation of the National 4-H Science Experiment.

CHFFF
The Agent and the Tomah FFA Advisor are working on scheduling time to train the Tomah FFA youth on how to teach the Choose Health: Food, Fun, and Fitness. We will be using the companion curriculum, Choose Health Action Teens (CHAT) - Teens teaching CHFFF, to work with the teenage FFA members.

Star Gazers
This Warrens club will be put on hiatus for one year to see if we can resuscitate it. The Agent has gotten permission to have community nights once a month in the school gym. We will use these events to find families that are interested and adults willing to lead a rebirth of the Star Gazers 4-H Club.

Upcoming Events

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Joshua L. Goede

Where: Cataract Sportsmen's Club, Cataract
7pm Leon Livewires Meeting
Where: Leon Community Center, Leon

Wed Oct 7, 2015
4-H National Youth Science Day

Sat Oct 10, 2015
2pm Tractor Supply Paper Clover Day
Where: Tractor Supply, Tomah WI

Sun Oct 11, 2015
2pm Norwalk Clovers Meeting
Where: Norwalk Village Hall, Norwalk
5pm LaGrange Tunnel-Lites
Where: Greenfield Town Hall, Tunnel City

Sun Oct 18, 2015
2pm Hoppy Trails Meeting
Where: Trinity Lutheran Church, Sparta

Mon Oct 19, 2015
3:30pm Lawrence Lawson CLC

Sun Oct 25, 2015
1pm 4-H Club Officer Training
Where: Rolling Hills Activity Room, Sparta
2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting
Where: Brookwood High School, Ontario

Mon Oct 26, 2015
6:30pm West Beaver Creek
Where: Gospel Baptist Church

Sun Nov 1, 2015
4-H Online Re-enrollments Due
1:30pm Jolly Joiners Meeting
Where: Cashton High School, Cashton

Mon Nov 2, 2015
6:30pm Denim n' Dust Meeting
Where: Cataract Sportsmen's Club, Cataract
7pm Leon Livewires Meeting
Where: Leon Community Center, Leon

Tue Nov 3, 2015
3:30pm NOW CLC at Brookwood
Where: Brookwood High School

Fri Nov 6 Sun Nov 8, 2015
Fall Forum at Chula Vista
Where: Chula Vista, Wisconsin Dells

Sun Nov 8, 2015
2pm Norwalk Clovers Meeting
Where: Norwalk Village Hall, Norwalk
5pm LaGrange Tunnel-Lites
Where: Greenfield Town Hall, Tunnel City

Sat Nov 14, 2015
9am 4-H Dog Project Neuter Clinic
Where: Wilton Community Center, Wilton
6:30pm Family Achievement Banquet
Where: American Legion, Tomah

Sun Nov 15, 2015
2pm Hoppy Trails Meeting
Where: Trinity Lutheran Church, Sparta

Mon Nov 16, 2015
3:30pm Lawrence Lawson CLC
7:30pm All Committee Meeting
Where: Rolling Hills Activity Room, Sparta

Sun Nov 22, 2015
2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting
Where: Brookwood High School, Ontario

Mon Nov 23, 2015
6:30pm West Beaver Creek Meeting
Where: Gospel Baptist Church, Sparta

Tue Dec 1, 2015
3:30pm NOW CLC
Where: Brookwood High School

Sun Dec 6, 2015
1:30pm Jolly Joiners Meeting
Where: Cashton High School, Cashton

Mon Dec 7, 2015
6:30pm Denim n’ Dust Meeting
Where: Cataract Sportsmen's Club, Cataract
7pm Leon Livewires Meeting
Where: Leon Community Center, Leon

Sun Dec 13, 2015
2pm Norwalk Clovers Meeting
Where: Norwalk Village Hall, Norwalk
5pm LaGrange Tunnel-Lites Meeting
Where: Greenfield Town Hall, Tunnel City

Sun Dec 20, 2015
2pm Hoppy Trails Meeting
Where: Trinity Lutheran Church, Sparta

Mon Dec 21, 2015
3:30pm Lawrence Lawson CLC

Sun Dec 27, 2015
2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting
Where: Brookwood High School, Ontario

Mon Dec 28, 2015
6:30pm West Beaver Creek Meeting
Where: Gospel Baptist Church, Sparta
Family Living Update September 11 to October 12, 2015

- Meeting Attendance:
  - Monroe County Planning Committee
  - ADRC- Talk about potential collaborations
  - Mental Health Workgroup
  - HCE Executive Board Meeting
- Taught nutrition curriculum at St. Paul’s school during Health Week to 5-6th graders. All of the students really enjoyed the lessons, activities, and snacks. At the end of the 5 sessions I ran a 5K with the kids. There were a couple parents who came up to me before the run and said that their child had been talking about me at home and the types of foods they should be eating. I think it was a big success and the teacher said he would love to have me back next year.
- Attended the StrongWomen instructor training workshop in Madison. I’m planning on starting a program in January and will have flyers out at Senior Day on 10/15. StrongWomen is an evidence based strength training program. I am hoping to hold a program in Sparta and Tomah to start. I am also talking with Mari Frieberg from Scenic Bluffs about teaching a class in Spanish at Lugar de Reunion. Right now I’m working on finding funds or equipment and locations to hold the program. Sharon Nelson at the health department has held a StrongWomen program 2 years ago and thinks they may still have equipment somewhere. She is also planning on sending the new public health nurse to the training next year which would be great to have another instructor as this class is known to take off rapidly. Laura Moriarty from Senior Services also thinks she may have some equipment or else does have funding to purchase. So just working on that and getting the class put together.
- Bill and I went to visit Melanie from Ho Chunk and to see the gardens. This past weekend we attended Harvest Day. I had a display board of Food Safety information, Food Preservation comparisons, and some Physical Activity information.
• I attended New Colleague Orientation in Madison for two days. I was able to network with a lot of other new colleagues and discuss programming ideas.
• I also started a column in the Sparta Newspaper/Monroe County Democrat called “Be Well with Erin”. I am planning on submitting an article approximately monthly to start with.
• I attended “Safety Day” at St. Mary’s school in Tomah. It was a day full of different organizations that all presented to a group of 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. I presented on the importance of physical activity and nutrition. The kids were all great.

Upcoming Events
10/13-10/14 Financial Coaching Workshop
10/15 Human Development Team Meeting
10/20 Tomah School Wellness Committee Meeting
10/31 HCE Fall Fest
11/5 HCE Potluck
11/11-11/13 UWEX All College Conference
11/20 Lori coming for 6 month review
12/1 HCE Christmas Event Day
Agriculture Extension Update September 12 to October 12, 2015

The Ag Agent conducted training to certify 3 adults as 4-H shooting Sports Shotgun project leaders at a shooting sports certification training in Marshfield.

The Ag Agent attended regional ag agent in-service at the USDA Dairy Forage and Research Center at Prairie du Sac on September 17.

The Sparta Area Garden Club held a water forum on September 17th. The Ag Agent helped them by facilitating a discussion they had to identify needs and narrow down their topics. The forum focused on water usage in Wisconsin, what is being done in the countryside to help water quality, an example of what industry is doing, and what people can do at home. The Ag Agent presented information on what homeowners can do to be water efficient.

The Ag Agent is working with the Land Conservation Department on a barnyard improvement project. The Ag Agent’s roll is to design useful and efficient livestock housing for the project.

Three days were spent filming the tractor safety video sequel footage. The next step will be to develop the sequence and narrative for each of the segments of the videos so the footage can be edited and final products can be put together. Topics include: making turns, backing up, operating on hills, highway operation, attaching and unattaching heads on combines and choppers.

The annual fall beef cow-calf workshop was held at the American Legion in Wilton this year. There were 52 participants at the workshop. Topics included dewormer management, and considerations for marketing cull cows and pre-conditioning calves this fall.

The Ag Agent and the Family Living Agent participated in a Fall Harvest Celebration with the Ho-Chunk tribal members at Blue Wing.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal government has voted to start a tribal Department of Agriculture rather than agriculture being put under another department. This new department will oversee and manage their agricultural lands. The work the Ag Agent has done with them exploring opportunities for their agriculture land helped demonstrate the need for Ho-Chunk Nation Agriculture Department.

The Ag Agent withdrew from the North Central Extension Agronomy Academy because it was taking too much time away from work in the county and state, and not providing beneficial information for use.

Upcoming Events - more to be added as they get finalized
Oct 20 Demographic Mapping workshop- Richland Center
Oct 28 Ag Lenders Conference- Dubuque- presenter
November 11-13- All Extension Conference- Madison
November 11 Pest Management Update- Sparta
December 3 Soil, Water and Fertilizer Update- Sparta
December 10 Farm and Estate Transfer Workshop- Tomah