

## UNAPPROVED MINUTES

**Clark County Ag & Extension Education Committee Meeting  
Monday, January 14, 2019  
Clark County Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville  
9:30 a.m.**

## AMENDED MINUTES

- I. Chairman Randy Sebesta called the Clark County Ag & Extension Committee to order at 9:30 a.m.
- II. Present were Ag & Extension Committee members: Randy Sebesta, Fritz Garbisch, Art Petke, Bryce Luchterhand, Noel Olson, and UW-Extension Staff: Richard Halopka, Melissa Kono, Nancy Vance, Christine Hollar, Judith Hasse, Lori Hendrickson, and Jason Hausler (AED).
- III. Art Petke moved to approve the minutes from December 10, 2018. Seconded by Noel Olson. Motion carried.
- IV. Finances
  - A. Voucher list was distributed and discussed. Noel Olson moved to approve the vouchers from December 1 – 31, 2018. Seconded by Fritz Garbisch. Motion carried.
  - B. Financial report was distributed and discussed. Noel Olson moved to approve the financial report from December 1 – 31, 2018. Seconded by Fritz Garbisch. Motion carried.
- V. General Office
  - A. AED Update
    - Jason mentioned that Marjy Sanders had her baby and will be returning to work on January 24, 2019.
    - Mentioned that WACEC has been taken over by Wisconsin Counties Association (administrative support). Bryce is on the Board of Visitors and there should be no conflicts.
    - Clark County is due for its Civil Rights Review in April
    - Due to UW-Madison merger with UW-Extension the official name for UW-Extension will now be Extension – Clark County. New logos, etc. will be forthcoming. County webpages have a new “red” look.
    - Randy Sebesta asked if there is a chance UW-Extension could get additional funding for a full time Dairy Educator with the new governor in place. Supportive communication to the new governor would be appreciated. Bryce Luchterhand noted that the governor is aware that there is a need for extra money for this position.
  - B. Dairy Educator Update – the position was posted and there was only one candidate so it has been reposted in county papers/shoppers and the application deadline has been extended to January 19, 2019. As of this time we have two candidates. Tentative interviews are scheduled for February 21, 2019.

- C. FTD Update – there is a planning meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 15. Richard Halopka, Chuck Rueth, Matt Lippert (Wood County) and Jason Hausler will be attending. The timeline for this event will be discussed. Hoping to have the site finalized by this fall. There is a county resolution already in place for this event for available monies. Highway, Emergency Management, and Sheriff’s Departments will be in on the planning meetings.
  - D. Contracted Services Update – Jason discussed our possible need for a contracted service person with design graphic knowledge. We did have this available to us when Shawn Ganther was employed with UW-Extension. He had talked with Terri Domaczak regarding budget lines and she said we would need approval from our committee to shift money from one line to another. Motion made by Bryce Luchterhand to authorize the shift of money from one existing account to another, not to exceed \$1,500.00. No other discussion. Seconded by Noel Olson. Motion carried.
- VI. Fairboard Liaison Report – Fritz Garbisch reported there is a balance of \$57,000. The fairboard made a \$10,000 donation to the Fairground Renovation project. They also donated \$300 each to the Fire and Ambulance departments. New lights will be put in the show arena and there will be a \$20,000 electrical upgrade and half of that expense will be covered by Focus on Energy. The Forestry and Parks Department they have also received \$100,000 in community committee donations for the Fairboard Renovations project.
- VII. Agent Reports
- A. Richard Halopka, Crops and Soils, Educator
    - 1. Past and present programs
  - B. Chris Hollar, 4-H Youth Development, Educator
    - 1. Past and present program
  - C. Fritz Garbisch moved to approve the agent reports. Seconded by Art Petke. Motion carried.
- Noel Olson had to leave the meeting at 10:30 a.m.
- VIII. Dog Damage
- A. Discuss and/or act on dog damage claims - None
- IX. Future Meetings
- A. Monday, February 11, 2019 / 9:30 a.m. / Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville
  - B. Monday, March 11, 2019 / 9:30 a.m. / Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville
  - C. Monday, April 8, 2019 / 9:30 a.m. / Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville
- X. Announcements
- Nancy Vance, Family Living Educator, announced that she and Melissa Kono, CNRED Educator, will be traveling to Lansing, MI January 22 – 24, 2019 for a Farm Stress Summit where they will be participating in a Train the Trainer for Mental First Aid. There will be no expense to the county for this training.
- XI. Art Petke moved to adjourn. Seconded by Fritz Garbisch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

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