

Extension Education Committee Minutes

Date of Meeting: September 9, 2024

Call to Order: John Kannard called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

Roll Call: Committee members present in person: John Kannard, Matt Foelker and Dwayne Morris. Daniel Herbst, and Elizabeth Hafften was present via Zoom.

Alison Pfau, Lisa Krolow, Jerry Wilcenski, Steve Chmielewski, and Meghan Splinter were present in-person. Christine Wen and Julie Hill were present via Zoom.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law: In compliance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Kannard, seconded by Foelker.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of University Extension Education Committee Minutes from August 12, 2024: Motion by Foelker, seconded by Morris, to approve the minutes as printed. Motion passed.

Communications: None.

Review of 2024 Departmental Budget: Kannard stated the budget is on target.

Discussion of Monthly Educator Reports:

Alison Pfau, Regional Dairy Educator, provided an oral report for the committee.

- Spanish Speaking Webinar 10 presenters all of them speak in Spanish from UW Madison. All of them talk about different topics about dairy cattle. First meeting 137 people were in attendance. The Webinar is every Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. the months of September, October, and November.
- October 10 and 11 Pfau and two professors from UW Madison will be having a workshop about Calving Management Practices and Neonate Care in Dairy Cattle at the Dane County Extension Office.

Steve Chmielewski, Community Development Educator, provided an oral report for the committee.

- Working with Sustain Jefferson to help people with their goals. Preplanning for strategic planning process. Starting first session next Monday. Meet every other Monday.
- Continue to work with Rural Adventures Program. Meeting this month to look at ethnic data on September 19.
- Signed up for a training Real Colors Program. Workshop experience that uses personality types to provide skills to understand human behavior, and to improve communications with others.
- Doing a community program needs assessment. Hear about programs needs and services. Learn more opportunities for outreach.

Jerry Wilcenski, 4-H educator, provided an oral report for the committee.

- This month Jefferson County Livestock judging team is going to the national livestock judging competition. Won state competition in July. Three girls are going to compete at the competition.
- New 4-H year working on the Financial report, tax information, and planning for the new 4-H year.
- Working on the Livestock Awards and General Clover Awards. Winners of the livestock point cards are going to Denver.
- Clover bud starts in September.

Julie Hill, Horticulture Educator, provided an oral report for the committee.

- Answering a lot of questions about different types of gardening questions.
- Lilacs not looking good. Spots on their fruits. Fungal problems.
- Will be at the Jefferson Library on Wednesday to talk about fall gardening and things to do with your landscape to get ready for winter.
- Indoor plant programs selection on what plants to have indoors and outdoors.

Lisa Krolow, FoodWise Coordinator

Christine Wen, Area Extension Director, provided an oral report for the committee.

- Pricilla and Krolow have had a series of lessons about how to make foods that were given to them through food drives at Rockwell Apartments (sub city housing, low income individuals, 55 and under, or disabled). Cooked something every week for their participants. They also gave recipes on how to make food that they were given to from food pantries.
- Wrapping up their programming year getting their data in and getting ready to plan for civil rights.

Josh Kamps, Regional Crops Educator

Christine Wen, Area Extension Director, provided an oral report for the committee

- Badger Crop Connection coming seed selection 2 programs each months April through October.
- Had an opportunity to do a Dap Cap survey.
- Working with Department of Agriculture to connect to field management practices.
- Participating in a weed management workshop this Thursday September 12.
- Moth trapping is completing this week in the field crops.
- Jefferson High School Agriculture teacher came to field day and discussed with Kamps about trying to get land for the students to learn more about crops and soils.

Possible Items of Discussion/Agenda Items for Upcoming Meetings: None.

Next Scheduled Meetings: October 14, November 11, December 9

Adjourn – Motion by Foelker, seconded by Morris, to adjourn at 9:15am.

Minutes recorded by Meghan Splinter, Administrative Assistant