



**University Extension Education Committee Agenda  
Jefferson County  
864 Collins Road, Room 12  
Jefferson WI 53549**

**DATE:** Monday, February 11, 2019

**TIME:** 8:30 a.m.

**Committee Members:** Dan Herbst, Mike Kelly, John Kannard, Mary Roberts, Lloyd Zastrow

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call ( to establish a quorum)
3. Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law
4. Public Comment (Members of the Public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time.)
5. Approval of Agenda (for possible rearrangement)
6. Approval of University Extension Education Committee Minutes from January 14, 2019
7. Communications
8. Review of 2019 Departmental Budget
9. Update on Jefferson County Farm Technology Days (July 2019)
10. Introduction of Steve Chmielewski, Community Educator and Lisa Kroklow, FoodWise
11. Discussion of Monthly Educator Reports – LaVern Georgson (Ag), Kara Loyd (4-H), Michelle Scarpace (Natural Resources)
12. Discussion and possible action on future meeting schedule and agenda items
13. Adjourn

**Next Scheduled Meetings:**

Regularly scheduled meetings are held at the Extension, Jefferson County Office in Room 12 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 8:30 a.m. Next scheduled meetings are: March 11 and April 8, 2019.

A quorum of any Jefferson County Committee, Commission or other body, including the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors, may be present at this meeting.

Individuals requiring special accommodations for attendance at the meeting should contact the County Administrator 24 hours prior to the meeting at 920-674-7101 so appropriate arrangements can be made.

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## UNIVERSITY EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Date of Meeting:** January 14, 2019

**Meeting called to order by:** Zastrow called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

**Members Present:** Herbst, Kannard, Kelly, Roberts and Zastrow were present.

**Members Absent:** None

**Educators/County/UWEX Staff Present:** Ben Wehmeier, County Administrator; Chrissy Wen, Area Director; LaVern Georgson, Agriculture Educator; Kara Loyd, 4-H Program Coordinator and Katelyn Broedlow, Administrative Assistant.

**Others Present:** None

**Certification of Open Meetings Law:** The agenda has been duly posted and the door is open.

**Public Comment:** None

**Roll Call (establish a quorum):** Quorum present

### **Approval of Agenda for Possible Rearrangement:**

Motion by Kannard, seconded by Zastrow, to approve the agenda as printed.

### **Approval of December 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes:**

Motion by Kannard, seconded by Herbst, to approve the December 10, 2018 meeting minutes with change. Unanimously approved. Motion to approve minutes was made by Herbst, not Kannard.

**Communications:** Wen stated that UW-Extension has officially made the switch to UW-Madison. The website may have switched. We can expect a different name and different color. The logo will change. Zastrow questioned if anything will change. Wen stated all programs and programming will remain the same. Wen stated there may be more people to reach out to in UW-Madison with this switch.

### **Item: Review of 2018 Departmental Budget**

Georgson stated that the budget was in pretty good shape. Wen stated that some of the 2018 funds will be carried forward for Steve's position.

**Item: Update of Jefferson County Farm Technology Days**

Georgson provided an update to the committee on the work of the WFTD committees that will be taking care of in the months to come. He stated that we are in good shape and things will come together. Answered questions. Wehmeier stated that contract is being done for 2021 show. Georgson gave a brief update to the committee on 2021 show and stated that it will operate differently than when the County would run it. Details are still being worked out.

**Item: Discussion of Monthly Agent Reports**

Georgson reviewed his written report with the committee. Horticulture is slow at this time. Will be hosting pesticide classes in the next couple months. Discussed the dairy industry and prices. We will continue to work on civil rights. Discussion followed.

Loyd reviewed her written report with the committee. She has been attending club meetings and trainings to learn about what is going on in 4-H; expanding her knowledge. She will be doing different trainings for 4-H leaders and youth over the next couple of months. Discussion followed.

Wen stated Lisa Kroklow started today for the FoodWise program.

Wen stated Steve Chmielewski could not be here today but will be here February.

**Upcoming Agenda Items and Meeting Dates:** Farm Technology Days, Monthly Reports, Steve Chmielewski will be attending,

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Adjourned: Motion by Herbst, seconded by Kannard at 9:08 am

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Signature of Secretary

Minutes completed by Katelyn Broedlow, Administrative Assistant



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## **Extension Education Committee February 11, 2019 Meeting**

### **Kara Loyd – 4-H Report**

#### **Meetings/Events:**

- 4-H club meetings
- 4-H camp discussions
  - Local volunteers
  - User Group Meeting at Camp Upham Woods in Wisconsin Dells
- Farm Tech Youth Committee
- 4HOnline Training

#### **Outreach:**

- Facebook Page '4-H Minute' Videos

#### **Upcoming:**

- Officer's Training – Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> (rescheduled)
- Volunteer trainings
- Cohort/On boarding sessions
  - Meeting in Madison next week
- Swine and Sheep project kick-off
- Project Learning Day

#### **New for Jefferson County 4-H:**

- Relaunch of rocketry project
- Fiber goat project for 2019-2020 4-H year

**Michelle Scarpace**  
**Natural Resource Educator**  
**Report of Activity from July 2018-Feb 2019**

- Hired in July 2018 as part of the Regional Natural Resource Education program who works to lead and facilitate water quality projects across the state.
- Specifically, Michelle works throughout the Rock River watershed to coordinate education and outreach efforts to support farmer-led initiatives focused on soil health and water quality.
- Work with Dodge County Farmers for Healthy Soil & Healthy Water to build organizational capacity and help the group meet their mission to improve soil health and water quality.
- Presented on soil formation and landscape relationships at Soil Health Field Day in Walworth County on Oct. 7th—15 farmers were in attendance.
- Met with 8 farmers in Jefferson County on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss interest in soil health. The group identified the need for education on soil health for farmers and would support educational programs on soil health in Jefferson County.
- Collaborated with Extension in Dane county to coordinate a cover crop meeting in Sun Prairie on Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>—32 farmers were in attendance, with 10 farmers from Jefferson County.
- Facilitated a meeting of 7 farmer-led groups in the southeastern region of the state to help identify successes and challenges that groups face. From this meeting, a regional network of farmer-led groups was formed, and Natural Resource Educators with Extension will work with DATCP to develop a state-wide support system for farmer-led groups.
- Work with DNR Nonpoint Source Program to evaluate runoff policy implementation and grant programs, and work on Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) planning and implementation across the state.
- HOLD THE DATE- March 5, 2019 4-7pm, Soil Health Workshop at Country Inn & Suites in Fort Atkinson featuring Keith Berns, a nationally known speaker on his experience in building soil and use of cover crops.