

Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
February 11, 2014
4:00 P.M.
Kewaunee County Administration Center
Committee Room

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Review/Approval of Minutes
5. Citizen Input
6. Educators Reports – Written
7. Other Business as allowed by law
8. Overtime
9. Approval – Travel
10. Approval – Bills
11. Set Future Committee Meeting Dates
12. Adjourn

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Aerica Bjurstrom
Agriculture Agent
Prepared for February 11, 2014

Dairy Modernization Meeting – Held a producer meeting in Green Bay for dairy producers in Northeast Wisconsin. Over 90 people attended the meeting which focused on robotic technology. The meeting featured speaker Jack Rodenberg of Dairy Logix in Ontario, Canada. Other speakers were David Kammel, UW-Extension, and a panel of producers who use robotic technology on their farms. One panelist was a Kewaunee County dairy producer who uses automatic calf feeders on his farm. Feedback from the meeting was very positive and indicates there is an increase in interest among producers to incorporate robotic technologies on their farms.

Outstanding Young Farmer – The Wisconsin Outstanding Young Farmer finals were held in Green Bay January 23-25. As part of the event, the farmers toured three Kewaunee County sites; Agropur, Packerland Whey, and Jauquet Dairy (2013 state winners). I served as a tour guide for the group and explained the agriculture industry in the county and the challenges and rewards many ag producers of all types have in the county. Todd Augustian of Kewaunee was named the 2014 Outstanding Young Farmer. This is the first time Kewaunee County ever had back-to-back winners. The only other winner from Kewaunee County was in 1956. Todd will be nominated to compete on the national level at next year's competition in New Jersey.

Livestock Team/Beef Team – I'm serving my third and final year of being the co-leader of the Livestock Team. The team is currently working to gift \$500 grants to members with innovative and educational programs. We will be reviewing grant applications which will be awarded for 2014 programming. In addition, I have been working with the chair of the Animal Science Department at UW-Madison on feedback regarding the new state specialist staffing plan. I am working as part of a committee to evaluate the plan and respond with an official stance on behalf of the Livestock Team.

Economic Development Corporation Ag Committee – The EDC Ag Committee is planning its second Ag Career Day at Pagel's Ponderosa on April 10 and 11. Kewaunee, Algoma, L-C, Southern Door and Demark school districts have all been invited and plan to attend. The day will highlight agriculture careers focusing on specific types of work such as careers related to cattle, cropping/agronomy, business, mechanic/machinery, and careers tied to agriculture such as conservation and forestry. Nearly 1,000 9th and 10th graders are expected to attend the two-day event.

Upcoming programming – Planned and organized several upcoming UW-Extension ag programs in February; Pesticide Applicator Training, CAFO meeting, Healthy Goat Conference, Compromised Cattle meeting, JBS Slaughter plant tour, Meat Animal Quality Assurance, and a milk quality meeting. February and March are typically the busiest time of year for agriculture producer meetings.

Kewaunee County 4-H Youth Development Extension Update

Jill Jorgensen, 4-H Youth Development Agent

February 11, 2014

Winter Leadership Camp: I collaborated with Eastern District 4-H Youth Development Educators to build a program for middle school youth improve their leadership skills through hands-on, interactive workshops. In addition to attending leadership sessions, youth participated in a variety of winter recreational choices. I presented a workshop focused on communication. I worked with the youth on topics of such as, listening skills, nonverbal communication, and the three parts of a speech. Additionally, I am conducting the closing, wrap-up session at the end of the camp. Throughout the years, the youth from Kewaunee County that have attended Winter Leadership Camp have become dynamic young leaders in the county. They have put what they have learned to practice and continue to use those skills in their 4-H clubs, projects, activities and committees.

Summer Camp: The overall camp planning is well under way for the 2013 summer camp season. We will be holding summer camp June 10-13 at Camp Bird with Door and Calumet. We are currently in the process of recruiting counselors and looking for other staff members such as life guards. Finding counselors with great leadership skills is an integral part of having a successful camp. Currently, counselor forms are due back to the UW-Extension office by February 14th. Camp counselor interviews will be in March. We are currently planning a camp counselor overnight training experience in May at Camp Bird. This will give counselors from the three counties an opportunity to work together as a team and better acclimate themselves to camp.

Students Talking About Respect (STAR): I met with community coalition partners from the Violence Intervention Project and Human Services to prepare for the upcoming STAR program. We are working to deliver the program to 5th and 6th grade students at two school districts this Spring. Currently, we are restructuring curriculum pieces to ensure we have the best teaching elements included in the program.

Algoma Swim Program: In January, I met with members of the community coalition that is working on providing access to swimming lessons for youth in the Algoma school district. Algoma is a lakeshore community with no access to swimming lessons for youth. As we have learned, swimming lessons are vital for any youth that is living in close proximity of open water such as lakes, ponds, and streams. To promote the health and safety of the children in Algoma, the coalition was formed to look at avenues to provide this life saving opportunity for children. A super swim session was held over winter break and had great attendance. The group is exploring options for additional swimming lesson opportunities throughout the year.

State 4-H Horse Association: I am the advisor for the Youth WI State 4-H Horse Association. Any horse project youth from throughout the state are invited to attend the meeting. In addition, youth from throughout the state are selected by their county and district to be the representatives to the state association and board members. I met with the youth members at this meeting in January to discuss upcoming state shows, fundraisers, community service, bylaws, and events for the year. There are leaders and youth from Kewaunee that attended the meetings and are getting involved on the state level.

Upcoming Events

Project Day: The Kewaunee County annual Project Day planning is under way for 2014. The event is planned for Saturday, March 1, 2014 from 9:30am until 2:45 pm. All of our presenters have been secured for the year and there will be 17 different sessions for the youth to attend throughout the day. Last year we had over 100 youth (both 4-H and non 4-H members) participate and this year we are anticipating more participants. Not only does the program provide the youth with new life-skills, but it also is a good method for promoting the 4-H program in Kewaunee County.



University of Wisconsin, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA.

Kewaunee County Agriculture & Extension Committee

Renee Koenig, Family Living Educator, UW-Extension

Activities Report for February 2014

Home Alone Program

This program helps parents prepare their children to follow family guidelines and be safe during self-care.

- Collaborating with Manitowoc County UWEX to develop a video script and re-format the curriculum
- Recruiting community volunteers for video actors

Parenting the First Years Newsletter

- Identifying additional dissemination opportunities and cost-saving methods
- Updating the county Family Living website

Supporting Children During Divorce

This is a four hour program for court-ordered parents who are experiencing divorce.

- Updating the curriculum and class material
- Exploring ways to streamline and improve the intake/registration process

Family Financial Education

- Providing one-on-one financial coaching to consumers including guidance on Affordable Care Act.
- Making inter-agency connections for referrals of low-income families to Home Energy assistance, and housing assistance programs at Horizon Management Group and Lakeshore CAP and Human Services.

Health Literacy Committee

This is a subcommittee of the Literacy Partners of Kewaunee County that focuses on health education.

- Assisting the committee with finding educational resources for the Oral Health event
- Collaborating with Jenny Spude, UWEX Nutrition Coordinator to develop teaching topics
- Help plan 2014 programs

Home and Community Education Association

- Attending association meetings and introducing myself
- Co-taught with the Family Living Educator from Door County UWEX an outreach leadership program titled, "Start With the Heart for Successful Relationships"

Rural Safety Day – safety program for 3rd grade students in the county

- Met with UWEX staff (Ag and 4H) and Public Health nurses to plan the May event

Active Community Environments (ACE) Committee

- Working with Claire Thompson and representatives from Algoma Schools, Ministry Health Care, county Parks/Promotions, county Public Health, Algoma Youth Club, and other health professionals to plan organized physical activity opportunities.
- Connecting with the Bay Lake Regional Planning Commission on a grant application to WisDOT for Safe Routes To School initiatives.
- Exploring a connection with the Biking and Birding Plan from the EDC Lakeshore Cluster Initiative.

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Activities Report for January, 2014
Claire Thompson, Community Development Educator
Kewaunee County Cooperative Extension

Broadband and Digital Literacy:

- Commenced planning for Kewaunee County Digital Literacy Education Program in 2014; collaboration and planning activities with KCEDC, Literacy Partners, NWTC, Algoma Library and other community stakeholders in support of effort.

Local Food System Economy:

- Continued participation and planning for Lakeshore Industry Cluster Initiative – Local Food (formerly Fruit and Vegetable) Cluster work to host a Hops workshop in March.
- Planning and facilitation with the SLO Producers Cooperative and the NEW Cooperative..
- Planning and preparation for February 2014: Planning the Best to Avoid the Worst - Food Safety workshop in collaboration with DATCP. Covering licensing, labeling requirements, hazard control and recall plans for food processing businesses. On-farm food safety resources will also be shared for fresh fruit and vegetable farms.
- Hosted Composting Workshop; planning for April composting workshop.
- Attended the UWEX Food Systems Team Meeting and the Wisconsin Local Food Network Food Summit.

Organizational Development:

- Planning to implement March 9 Business Planning Workshop in Kewaunee County.
- Continued planning and priority setting for Kewaunee County Nuclear Plant Decommissioning Task Force.
- Continued planning and facilitation for upcoming programming to maintain Swim programming for Algoma students in collaboration with YMCA in Sturgeon Bay and the City of Algoma Youth Club, with support and participation from Ministry Health Care and Jill Jorgensen, UWEX Youth Development Educator.
- Planning for a Community Survey with the Kewaunee County Sheriff's Department.
- Planning for a Community Health Assessment with the Kewaunee County Public Health Department.

Other:

- Conducted Staff 2013 Performance Appraisals
- Attended UWEX CNRED Eastern District In-Service Training

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Zoning Committee Meeting – Regular

Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2014
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Place: Kewaunee County Admin Center
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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Review and Approve Last Month's Minutes
4. Changes and Additions to Agenda
5. Reports of Department Personnel
 - A. Glenn Selner
 - 1) Review 2013 Annual Report
 - 2) Wisconsin Fund Grant Applications
 - 3) Review Revisions to Kewaunee County Sanitary Ordinance
6. Communications
7. Approval of Travel Requests
8. Such Other Matters as Authorized by Law
9. Overtime Report
10. Approval of Bills (regular monthly meeting only)
11. Adjournment

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