

Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
April 7, 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 April 7, 2014

Farm Bill Session – Attended a Farm Bill session in Green Bay. The session was put on by Reid Ribble and representatives from Farm Bureau and Farm Service Agency were present to help answer questions of participants. The program highlighted where changes will be seen from the previous farm bill and what farmers can expect regarding emergency loans and other subsidies. Approximately 100 people attended the program.

Farm calls – Visited several farms in March to address ventilation issues. I completed a course with the School of Veterinary Medicine last fall and I can now address ventilation calls without having to call engineers from the Biosystems Engineering Department at UW-Madison. I will continue to call on specialists from BSE to help with more complicated scenarios.

Joint Council for Extension Professionals – Attended JCEP in LaCrosse where I attended breakout sessions and the annual meetings for the Wisconsin Association of County Agriculture Agents and Epsilon Sigma Phi. I am the secretary for ESP and am beginning my second year of a two-year term. I also was recognized as a \$1,500 grant recipient to attend a training in Idaho in June.

Committee for Heavy Equipment – Held a meeting with the Kewaunee County Towns to discuss the Implements of Husbandry Legislation. Twenty-eight people attended the meeting and representatives from each town were there including custom operators, dairy producers, Sheriff's Department, Highway, UW-Extension, and media. The Heavy Equipment committee answered questions of the towns representatives and we discussed what the legislation will entail and how the towns and land operators can work together to make a smooth transition into the new law.

Wisconsin Public Service Farm Show – Worked in the educational booth at the WPS Farm Show in Oshkosh. Unlike many exhibitors at the show, UW-Extension is there on an educational capacity. We had an energy efficient display exhibiting LED, standard bulbs, and other types of energy efficient lighting. The display had monitors showing how much energy one bulb uses and how energy efficient bulbs may cost more at initial purchase, but over the course of the year actually cost less to use than cheaper bulbs. The show had very good attendance and the booth drew in many visitors with a lot of questions about barn facility lighting.

Program Planning – Met with all Wisconsin ANRE Team leaders for a program to discuss roles of leaders and how teams can function more efficiently. I also met with Beef Team leaders in a separate session to discuss programming planning for the coming year. The beef team consists of four county agents that have extensive knowledge in beef programming. The team exists to cover beef programming in Wisconsin in lieu of the vacant beef specialist position. Programming for the summer will include cow/calf meetings in eight counties in Wisconsin.

Kewaunee County 4-H Youth Development Extension Update

Jill Jorgensen, 4-H Youth Development Agent

April 8, 2014

Student Talking About Respect (S.T.A.R): In the month of March, for the third year we are working with 5th and 6th grade girls at two local middle schools on the topic of relational aggression/girl bullying. As part of a community coalition, we developed a curriculum focused on relational aggression and treating others with respect. This program is presented over a five-week period. We work with the girls once a week using a number of teaching techniques and activities. Additionally, each week the class is assigned homework (not graded or counted toward the student's grade) to help them reflect on the material that was covered or to prepare them for next week's lesson. In addition, we have a great partner in the middle school counselor and a teacher who is working with us during her class time to make this program happen. During the first three sessions, we worked with the girls on:

Week 1: Girl Bullying/Relational Aggression: What is girl bullying?, How is girl bullying different?, and Cyber Bullying,

Week 2: Cliques vs. Friends: What is a clique? Inclusive vs. exclusive groups, and why cliques are harmful

Week 3: Cliques and Individuality: Roles that girls play in cliques including queen bees, cliques versus groups of friends, and why it is important to see someone as an individual

During these first three sessions, we have seen the girls open up about these topics and how they are affecting their class dynamics. It has led to great discussions with the girls and they are opening up about treating each other with respect. There are five sessions in total and during the final session of the program, I will conduct an evaluation about the overall program impact from the girls' perspective. I look forward to sharing what they have learned.

Camp Counselor Interviews: I collaborated with the educator from Door County to conduct camp counselor and dishwasher interviews for the upcoming camp season. We conducted them as a group interview to see how youth interacted with each other. Also, there were hands on, critical thinking, and team work activities were included as part of the training. This was a great way to see how the youth interacted with each other and how they would respond to questions with a group and we had a chance to observe their leadership characteristics. There are several qualified and talented older youth that will be asked to be counselors and dishwashers for this year. All counselors will be asked to attend a mandatory counselor training to ensure that they have received proper amounts of training before attending camp.

Tri-County Robotics Project Meeting: State 4-H STEM Specialist, Joanna Skluzacek, joined us at the Kewaunee County Fairgrounds to provide a robotics training for Kewaunee, Brown, and Door counties. The youth had the opportunity to partner with other 4-H members and work on programming robots with the help of Skluzacek. Youth had the opportunity to use critical thinking, experiential learning, and hands on activities throughout the training session. Additionally, the teen robotics leader from Kewaunee County provided assistance for the day. In Kewaunee County, we will continue working with the robotics project through the summer.

Business Class Interviews: I had the opportunity to conduct mock interviews with students from Luxemburg-Casco High School in the beginning of March. It was great to meet with the high school students and help them with a process that they will use for the rest of their life. The interviews went great and I am confident that there are some wonderful future employees for area employers.

Upcoming Events that I am working on:

Camp: The camp association met and plans are underway for Camp 2014. We will be returning to Camp Bird and camping with Door and Calumet Counties this year during the week of June 10-13. Camp Counselors have been selected and they will be attending training in May. 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. Brochures are available to participants and we already have youth signing-up to attend camp. Summer camp is a great educational experience that aids older youth counselors in developing their leadership skills and campers in gaining hands on skills while interacting with youth from other counties.



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Kewaunee County Agriculture & Extension Committee

Renee Koenig, Family Living Educator, UW-Extension

Activities Report for March 2014

Home Alone Program

This program helps parents prepare their children to follow family guidelines and be safe during self-care. I am continuing to collaborate with Manitowoc County UWEX to develop videos to accompany the curriculum.

Parenting Educational Resources

Grandparenting – I presented a workshop on family relationships for the Grand Families support group.

Supporting Children During Divorce

This is a four hour program for court-ordered parents who are experiencing divorce. I have been reviewing the curriculum and class material. I am exploring ways to increase the number of participants in class.

Family Financial Education

As a Certified Application Counselor, I provided one-on-one assistance to consumers. I am continuing to make inter-agency connections for referrals of limited-income families to assistance programs.

Health Literacy Committee

This is a subcommittee of the Literacy Partners of Kewaunee County that focuses on health education. We are planning a Healthy Eating Program on April 10.

Active Community Environments (ACE) Committee

I am working with committee members to plan Safe Routes To School initiatives such as a Bike/Walk to School Day.

Kewaunee County Agriculture and Extension Committee
Activities Report for March, 2014
Claire Thompson, Community Development Educator
Kewaunee County Cooperative Extension

Local Food System Economy:

- Coordinated and hosted Hops for Fun and Profit workshop with 40 attendees at the Farm Market Kitchen, with Dean Volenberg in Door County and Tim Rehbein from Vernon County, in collaboration with the Lakeshore Industry Cluster Initiative.
- Coordinating, planning and facilitation to submit a Specialty Crop Block Grant in collaboration with the Wisconsin Local Food Network and the SLO Farmers Co-op.
- Implemented Marketing 201: Getting your Products off the Shelf – Food Business workshop in collaboration with DATCP with 28 attendees.
- Gave Introduction to Small Business Planning presentation to Rural Enterprise Network program in Lincoln Township.

Broadband and Digital Literacy:

- Continued 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.

Organizational Development:

- Conducted training “Roles and Responsibilities of Nonprofit Boards” to Violence Intervention Project board members.
- Implemented Introduction to Business Planning Workshop in Kewaunee County, with eight attendees.
- Continued facilitation for Kewaunee County Nuclear Plant Decommissioning Task Force.
- Facilitated collaborative project to implement Algoma Spring Break Super Swim program 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.
- Implemented a Community Survey with the Kewaunee County Sheriff’s Department.

Other:

- Attended UWEX CNRED Eastern District In-Service Training

AMENDED
MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Zoning Committee Meeting – Regular

Date: Monday, April 7, 2014
Time: 4:30 p.m.
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 the Public Hearing for the Sanitary Ordinance Update/Make Recommendations
 - 2) Discuss Zoning Administrative Assistant Position
 - 3) Discuss Sanitary and Zoning Violations
 - 4) Discuss Dominion Correspondences and Reexamine Fee for Nuclear Dry Storage Casks
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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