

Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
December 3, 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. Dog Damage Claims
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 December 3, 2014

Beef and Dairy Quality Assurance – Completed and recertified for Beef and Dairy Quality Assurance. I have been a certified BQA & DQA trainer for six years. The program's curriculum teaches producers the importance of animal health throughout her life, making the right decision when culling a cow (is she healthy enough to make it to slaughter, does she show signs of condemnation, is she free and clear of drug residues, etc). My certification also accredits me to certify producers as "BQA Certified" and to work with producers to reclaim the ability to ship cows to packing plants after multiple violations. Sometimes multiple violators are banned from shipping cows to designated packing plants until they resolve why they have had multiple violations and they complete the quality assurance program. I have done this in Kewaunee County before and after the training, the farm was allowed to ship to the packing plant.

Implements of Husbandry – I held two Implements of Husbandry meetings for the general public and town's officials. Cheryl Skjolaas, Agricultural Safety Specialist with UW-Extension, Lieutenant Michael Klingenberg, Wisconsin State Patrol, and Rob Richard, Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation all spoke at both meetings. Over 90 people attended both meetings, approximately 2/3's were land operators/custom haulers, and the rest were town's officials, agriculture lenders, and other agriculture business people. The local committee will present their official recommendations on signage to the town's association before the end of the year.

Dairy and Beef Well-Being Conference – Continued planning of the Dairy and Beef Well-Being Conference in April. World-renown animal behavior specialist, Dr. Temple Grandin will be the capnote speaker. We are able to have her speak for no charge as part of a larger program she is participating in through the Autism Society of Wisconsin. Additional speakers will focus on public perception of where their food comes from and how to care for animals in compromised health. This is the sixth year of the conference and it has been very well attended at locations all over Wisconsin. We are expecting approximately 350-400 people at the conference in Appleton.

Farm Technology Days – Work continues on assembling committee chairs. The Executive Committee meets once a month to continue planning for the 2017 event. Currently we have chairs named for the Tent City, Traffic & Safety, Publicity and Promotion, and Fundraising & Hospitality committees. Executive Committee chairs are working on chairs for the remaining nine committees. Three of us also visited the host farm and walked out approximately where tent city will be. It will be on the north end of the Ebert property, just south of County Road K. Farm tours will be an important part of the show, so we may follow the lead of Dane County who will be using school buses to transport people on the tours rather than trams. The committee will be attending an all-county meeting with past and future hosts in early December to learn more about the process from other counties.

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Renee Koenig, Family Living Educator, UW-Extension

Activities Report for December 3, 2014

Parenting the Preschooler Fact Sheet – I developed a fact sheet for parents of preschoolers on the topic of parent-child active play time. The fact sheet will be distributed statewide.

Presentation to Journey's Club Adult Day Services – N.E.W. Curative Rehabilitation, Inc. is the organization providing respite services for adults with dementia and other health care needs at the facility in Luxemburg. I was asked to present to the program participants and I spoke about the County Health Rankings report and the quality of life factors that are included in the report.

Strong Women, Strong Bones - I am continuing to teach Strong Bones exercise classes at two locations in the county. The classes are proven to reduce falls among elderly, improve arthritis symptoms, increase flexibility, improve bone density and benefit mental health.

Home & Community Education (HCE) - I continue to provide an advisory role and offer education on leadership development.

Raising a Thinking Child – I have been meeting with the Algoma School District to make arrangements to offer this parenting class in 2015.

Electronic media education – Many of my parenting programs and resources are being reformatted to include electronic media such as videos, email and text messages, and QR codes.

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

Local Food System Economy:

- Facilitation assistance to Rural Enterprise Network to develop Kewaunee County Farmers Market business opportunities.
- Continued support to Farm Market Kitchen with education, facilitation and technical assistance to the FMK board and staff on an as-needed basis to help launch a new processor with a number of products.
- Continued facilitator/liaison role between SLO Farmers Co-op and Wisconsin Local Food Network to implement a Farm to Hospital program in Northeast Wisconsin in cooperation with the SLO Farmers Co-op and NWTC. This project will continue into 2015.

Organizational Development:

- Developed strategic planning process blueprint for City of Algoma.
- Participated in Kewaunee County Buy Local Initiative Taste of the County event evaluation and continued initiative planning for 2015.

Economic Development:

- Provided business planning education and facilitation to one entrepreneur considering opening businesses in Kewaunee County.

Other:

- Facilitated Kewaunee County UWEX Food Systems planning retreat.
- Continued planning activities to support 2015 Door-Kewaunee Legislative Days event.
- Facilitated UWEX Program Team Advisory Group feedback session for other faculty members.
- Participated in Kewaunee County Emergency Management Nuclear Response Team training sessions as a Public Information Officer for Kewaunee County.
- Administrative duties associated with Department Head role.

Kewaunee County 4-H Youth Development Extension Update

Jill Jorgensen, 4-H Youth Development Agent

December 3, 2014

State Horse Leader's Conference: During the 2014 Horse Leaders Conference, I had an opportunity present to over 90 youth and adult participants from throughout the state on the topic of building youth/adult partnerships and fostering youth voice in their county wide 4-H program. I lead the group through opinion exercises, guided group discussion, and cross county communication surrounding the topic. Many of the participants commented that they gained new perspectives and ideas to take back and begin using in their counties. An online evaluation of the program is being conducted.

In addition, to create a more inclusive environment through a statewide sportsmanship program. The sportsmanship program has existed for a number of years but was never really highlighted the accomplishment of receiving a statewide sportsmanship award. Through the sportsmanship program, I was able to bring to light the importance of sportsmanship at a county and state level. Additionally, I had an opportunity to work with the member of State 4-H Horse Association Board as one of their advisors. As the advisor for this group, I work with youth from throughout the Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Association project to build leadership skills, educational opportunities, and community awareness. I work with the group on a continual basis throughout the year. Overall, the leadership conference is an excellent leadership opportunity for all of the youth and adults involved.

Super STAR Seminar: In November, I had the opportunity to work with community coalition partners from Human Services and the Violence Intervention Project to facilitate the Super STAR Seminar program. As you may recall, STAR (Students Talking About Respect) is a multi-week program where we work with 5th and 6th grade girls on the topics of treating each other with respect and relational aggression. Relational aggression is more commonly referred to as girl bullying. After the five-week program, I conducted an evaluation to have a better understanding of what the girls learned and areas where they would like more help.

In response to those evaluations, we created the Super STAR Seminar at one school district. This booster session addresses the topics that the girls indicated that they would like more information about from the STAR program. In addition, it provides an opportunity to work with the girls in the fall of their 7th grade year and reiterate some of the topics that we worked on in the STAR program. The two specific topics we worked on during the Super STAR Seminar were cyber bullying and moving from bystanders to allies. We engaged the group through hands-on activities, discussions, reflection, and practicing new skills. In addition, during the 90-minute session, we reviewed the materials from the previous year, conducted a long-term evaluation, and conducted a program evaluation. When working with the girls, it is clear that bullying is something that has touched many of their lives and that they are looking for tools to help themselves and others.

4-H Teen Association: The 4-H Teen Association is gearing up for the annual Toys for Tots campaign. Last year, they began working with the program during the holiday season. I worked with the youth to make this a service learning project for the group. Service learning goes beyond community service and engages the members at levels of the service process. They are currently in the planning and collection phase of the service-learning project. One of the major activities that they plan is children's area. They are currently planning what activities that they are going to do with the children during this time. Typically, the teens plan child friendly, hands-on activities like decorating cookies and making crafts. The children's area allows a parent the time to choose gifts for their family and keep it a surprise.

For the Toys for Tots campaign the teens issue a challenge to the 4-H community clubs to collect as many gifts as a club as possible. The club that collects the most gifts wins an ice cream and movie party from the teen association. In turn, those toys are given to the Toys for Tots campaign. Additionally, this year, the clubs were issued a challenge to collect hats and mittens to distribute to the families. This service learning activity has a big impact on the youth involved in the 4-H Teen Association and they enjoy working with the program each year.

Upcoming Events

Project Day: The Kewaunee County annual Project Day planning is under way for 2014. The event is scheduled for February 28, 2015. We are currently seeking older youth and adult presenters as well as volunteers willing to help with the day's activities. 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.



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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Zoning Committee Meeting – Regular

Date: Wednesday, December 3, 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
 1. Glenn Selner
 - A) Review Fee Schedule for 2015
 - B) Sanitary and Zoning Violations
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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