Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
March 9, 2016
3:00 P.M.
Kewaunee County Administration Center
County Board Room

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Review/Approval of Minutes
5. Citizen Input
6. Introduction of Annie Deutsch – Door County Agriculture Agent
7. Educators Reports – Written
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 March 9, 2016

Pesticide Applicator Training - Landowners who want to apply chemicals to their crops must have taken the Pesticide Applicator Training (PAT) every five years in order to purchase pesticides. The program curriculum has been developed by the WI Department of Ag, Trade, and Consumer Protection and UW-Extension. With the absence of the Door County Agent, I taught course to several Kewaunee County residents and have conducted the test at the UW-Extension office for those who were not able to make it to the training. Door County also held a training and Annie Deutsch conducted the training there.

Meat Animal Quality Assurance – Held Meat Animal Quality Assurance (MAQA) at the Kewaunee County Fairgrounds. Approximately 65 4-H and FFA youth attended the program that focused on animal ID, reading feed labels, and understanding how to share their agriculture story with the general public. The program is held three times (February, April, June) and is required for all youth intending to sell an animal at the livestock auction at the fair.

CAFO meeting – UW-Extension held the annual CAFO Update meeting at Tundra Lodge in Green bay and at UW-Fond du Lac. Topics were spray irrigation, neighbor relations, leachate control, and a farmer panel discussing the DNR permitting process. Over 175 people attended the meeting in Green Bay with very good representation from Kewaunee County. Farmers from as far away as Merrill attended the Green Bay site.

Farm Management/Farm Calls – Visited several farms in February addressing modernization projects. Dr. David Kammel and I visited three farms in Kewaunee specifically addressing remodeling existing facilities and new facility planning. I visited three farms with Annie Deutsch in Door County to introduce her to farmers she could work with in the future. I will continue to plan farm stops with her when I have plans to visit Door County. I will also include her in the Alfalfa Persistency project sample collection and the Scissor Clip project in May and June. I also consulted with two farmers over the phone on budget analysis projects

Professional Development – A professional development session was held in Appleton addressing digital dermatitis in cattle. Digital dermatitis is defined as any issue with the hoof that causes lameness in cattle. I am currently working on writing protocols for a digital dermatitis project that will incorporate the use of iPads, pH meters, and thermoimaging cameras to evaluate and summarize the prevalence of digital dermatitis in dairy herds. The project will carry out over the summer and summary written in the fall and winter. The project will include participation of up to 30 dairy farms in eastern Wisconsin and will produce a series of fact sheets, videos and other information for farmers to prevent and manage digital dermatitis. The project will be replicable and has cooperators from the University of Wisconsin Veterinary School and Zynpro.

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Kewaunee County 4-H Youth Development Extension Update
Jill Jorgensen, 4-H Youth Development Agent
March 2016

STAR (Students Talking About Respect): In the month of February, I worked with 6th grade girls at a local middle school on the topic of relational aggression/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 four-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 who is working with us during her class time to make this program happen. During the four sessions, we worked with the girls on:

Week 1: Relational Aggression: What is relational aggression/bullying? The effects of relational Aggression/bullying and how we can help others
Week 2: Stepping up as a leader, inclusive vs. exclusive groups, and random acts of kindness
Week 3: Leadership, being an ally and what to do if someone you know is being bullied, and cliques versus groups of friends
Week 4: Using "I Feel" statements, program evaluation, and group summary art project

During these 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 four sessions in total and during the final session of the program, I conduct an evaluation about the overall program impact from the girls' perspective. I look forward to sharing what they have learned.

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. This year we had two enthusiastic delegates attending 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.

4-H Teen Association Fundraisers: In February we were busy working with the 4-H teen association on three different fundraisers for the year. The fundraisers provide funding for the teens to plan activities, support community efforts, and provide a $500.00 scholarship for a fellow 4-H member. The teens were highly engaged throughout this process and learned a great number of life skills through the fund raising experience.

Project Day: The Kewaunee County annual Project Day was held on Saturday, March 5, 2016 from 9:30am until 2:45 pm. Approximately 80 participants took part in this education day. Youth (both 4-H and non 4-H members) participated in four hands-on project classes throughout the day. Youth could choose from the sixteen available classes based on their interests. Older youth members and adults conducted classes on topics ranging from wildlife and forestry activities to marbleizing paper and learning about dogs. This low cost program provides a safe, fun, and interactive day of activities for the youth. 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.

Upcoming Events that I am working on:
Camp: The overall camp planning is well under way for the 2016 summer camp season. We will be holding summer camp June 11-14th at Camp Bird with Door and Brown County. This year noted a change in our camp pairing because Calumet County decided to go to a different camp for the year. We are currently in the process of recruiting counselors and looking for other staff members such as lifeguards. Finding counselors with great leadership skills is an integral part of having a successful camp. Camp counselor interviews will be in March. We are currently planning a camp counselor training experience for the end of April. This will give counselors from the three counties an opportunity to work together as a team.

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Renee Koenig, Family Living Educator, UW-Extension Kewaunee County

Activities report for March 9, 2016

Parent Circles – Parent Circles are an opportunity for parents/guardians to connect with other parents through small group discussions while sharing successes, challenges, and insights about parenting. Parents learn about six protective factors. Research shows these six protective factors keep children safe and make families strong. A series of three weekly sessions were held at the Kewaunee Middle School. I am partnering with the Human Services department and we are planning another series to be held in the Luxemburg schools in April.

Healthy Aging Programs and Strong Bones – I am continuing to participate in several activities to help promote healthy aging for our county residents. These activities include partnerships with the Algoma Live Well committee and working with our Aging & Disability Resource Center. I am also continuing to teach Strong Bones exercise classes to a group of 26 people ages 55-87.

Health Literacy – I am helping the Health Literacy Committee plan an event called Health & Safety Night. The program will cover topics on basic first aid, choking, burns, fire safety and other home safety education. I am also continuing to meet with parents of newborns to provide UW-Extension's Parenting the First Years curriculum which includes health education topics and a reference book titled, "What to do when your child gets sick?" The participating families are primarily Latino English Language Learners (ELL).

Rural Safety Day – Planning has begun for Rural Safety Day. It will be held on May 25th at the county fairgrounds. Watch for your board invitation coming soon!

Co-Parenting Classes for Divorcing Parents – Classes are continually taught about every six weeks. A class was held in February with eight parents attending.

Presentation at VIP – I presented a program on the topic of Resiliency for a support group of women who meet at the Violence Intervention Project in Algoma.

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Zoning Committee Meeting – Regular

Date: Wednesday, March 9, 2016
Time: 3:45 p.m.
Place: Kewaunee County Admin Center
Committee Room

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) Wisconsin Fund Application Fee
        B) Enforcement Orders
        C) Attend WCCA Spring Conference in Mosinee, March 31 and April 1
        D) Discuss Sanitary & 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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