

Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
October 5, 2016
3:00 P.M.
Kewaunee County Administration Center
Conference 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. Review 2017 Budget
8. Overtime
9. Approval – Travel
10. Approval – Bills
11. Set/Confirm Future Committee Meeting Dates
12. Adjourn

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Aerica Bjurstrom
Agriculture Agent
Prepared for October 5, 2016

Corn Dry Down – Each year UW-Extension holds corn silage dry down days free to the public with the help of sponsors. This year two dry down events were scheduled, one in Luxemburg and another in Sturgeon Bay. The Luxemburg site was held on September 6 and 96 samples were submitted. The Sturgeon Bay event was scheduled on September 13 and 22 more samples were submitted. Dairyland Laboratories from DePere was on hand with their NIR machine at the Luxemburg site which allowed farmers to wait a few minutes to get their results. Samples from the Door County site were submitted directly to the lab and results were returned the next day. While many local mills hold their own dry down events, the UW-Extension event still remains very popular and will continue to be held in the future.

Joint Kewaunee/Door Ag & Extension Meeting – Met with the Door County Ag & Extension committee at the Kewaunee County Fair Grounds with a follow-up tour at Junion Homestead Farm north of Luxemburg. Summaries of Kewaunee County and Door County Extension efforts were shared, and an update on the Peninsular Ag Research Station was also presented. Kewaunee County has added a new weather station at Parallel 44 in addition to the one at Hillside Apples in Casco. The tour portion of the meeting was a stop at a family dairy farm owned and operated by Tony and Peggy Knorn (and family). The Knorn's have utilized UW-Extension in various ways over the years. They have participated in a farm management team, utilized UW-Extension and University of Minnesota specialists, and cooperated in several UW-Extension programs such as Scissor Cutting and Rural Safety Day.

Beef Cow/Calf Meetings – As part of my appointment to the state Beef Team, I plan and carry out multiple beef cow/calf meetings throughout the summer at locations around Wisconsin. The meetings were planned for seven sites; Walworth, Dodge, Marinette, Marathon, Waushara, St. Croix, and Iowa. Speakers were the local agent presenting a program on branding and marketing and I arranged for a DATCP representative to be at each meeting to speak on laws and rules about selling meat direct from the farm. The meetings were well attended and approximately 225 people attended the seven locations. I plan to do the same meeting over winter if there is enough interest from producers.

Ag Plastics Recycling – I am working with a company called Revolution Plastics to get free plastics recycling dumpsters on as many farms as possible in Kewaunee and Door Counties. A dumpster pick up day is scheduled for October 3 at the Kewaunee County Fair Grounds. Revolution Plastics will pick up ag plastics from farms free of charge and depending on demand, will set up another delivery day this fall. This project will reduce the amount of plastic going to the landfill and being illegally burned.

World Dairy Expo – The UW-Extension Dairy Team has a booth at the World Dairy Expo each year. Approximately 15 dairy extension agents work at the booth and talk to visitors at the show. I am in charge of the booth display and another agent sets it up for the show. I also have the opportunity to work at the show and network and learn more about the newest technology available in dairy. Many Kewaunee County dairy producers show at and attend the five day event in Madison.

Program Planning – I am currently planning meetings for 2017. I won't be holding as many meetings in 2017 as I usually do because of Farm Technology Days, but I am planning impactful meetings with top quality speakers.

Kewaunee County 4-H Youth Development Extension Update

Jill Jorgensen, 4-H Youth Development Agent

October 5, 2016

National Extension Leadership Development Cohort: As you may recall I was nominated and selected to represent UW-Extension as a 2016 NELD cohort participant. This cohort group is composed of 34 participants representing a variety of program areas from University Extension throughout the Midwest. The leadership experience is held throughout the year. The opportunity provides tools and experiences to apply and reflect on new effective leadership, organizational collaboration, change concepts, and strategies. In addition, we are working on strengthening competence in decision-making, building leadership capacity, improving effectiveness of Extension programming, enhancing personal effectiveness, and promoting lifelong learning.

In July I traveled with the cohort group to Minneapolis for the last leg of this educational leadership journey. This portion focused on critical thinking, leading the change, meaningful involvement, facilitation, mindfulness, reiterating some key concepts, and graduation from the program. As I have said before, this amazing experience has given me the opportunity to understand and expand my professional and personal leadership capabilities.

Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Expo and other statewide horse events: Youth from Kewaunee County that participated in the Expo in educational events, showing, or both. This is an excellent opportunity for youth in the horse project to showcase their skills as riders and demonstrate their educational knowledge of horses through events such as horse judging, public speaking, and a variety of other activities.

This was a great year for Kewaunee County youth in both the educational and showing competitions. Kewaunee County youth teams dominated in a number of educational contests. They received top ten awards in senior horse judging, the junior horse judging, junior team problems, and senior team problems. Several other individuals earned grands, reserves, and top ten award in many other horse educational projects. In the riding classes, youth participants received a number of reserve champion and top ten awards. A senior demonstration team that won grand champion in their division will be representing Wisconsin at the National level speaking and demonstration contest held at Quarter Horse Congress in Ohio this November.

Heart of Leadership Training Receives National Award: As you may recall, last year, I worked with state specialists from WI and MN to create the Heart of Leadership training that was 1 portion of a 3 part leadership training series. Specialists from other states created other parts of the training. In addition, I worked with a 4-H volunteer and teen member from Kewaunee County that were featured in the Heart of Leadership training. During the last year, the training was offered throughout the Midwest as a volunteer leader and staff training and was well received. Over 1,325 volunteers and staff from 241 sites participated in at least one of the sessions. The series received a regional and national award that will be presented this October.

Re-Enrollments: We are working with the 4-H club to re-enroll 4-H members for 2017. Families will continue to enroll online through the 4-H Online Enrollment system. This allows families to have easier access to their information to readily make any needed changes. We work with members and leaders to be successful in completing their enrollments and provide meetings as necessary to make sure everyone can enroll.

Re-enrolling members will need to be enrolled by October 31st to be able to show at the 2017 Kewaunee County Fair. New members are able to enroll throughout the year. However, new members need to enroll by February 1st, 2017 to be eligible to show at the 2017 Kewaunee County Fair.

Upcoming Events:

4-H Fall Fest Open House: Preparations are being made for the annual 4-H Open House. The committee is meeting to prepare brochures, fliers, and letters to send to clubs and community members. The open house will be held on October 8, 2016 beginning at 1:00pm at the Kewaunee County Fairgrounds in Luxemburg. This is an opportunity for anyone who is interested in learning about 4-H to meet different clubs and their leaders, learn about different projects, make small projects, and find out more about the 4-H organization as a whole.



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

Activities report for October 5, 2016

Strong Minds and Bodies Program - In a collaborative effort with the Lakeshore ADRC, I co-presented the Strong Minds and Bodies program to the general public and Home and Community Educators (HCE). Kim JauquartFranzen presented the Ten Signs of Dementia and I presented Keeping Your Brain and Body Fit As You Age.

National Presentation– I presented at the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences conference in Big Sky, Montana in September. It was a professional development opportunity for me to share my work on the Home Alone video based training program.

Strong Bones - I teach Strong Bones exercise classes twice weekly to a group of men and women ages 55-85. In addition to instruction on physical activity, I share research about the benefits of exercise on maintaining mental abilities and staying active in our community.

Health Literacy –The Literacy Partners, Public Health Department and myself are teaming up to plan a Healthy Eating Family Fun Night. This is an opportunity for Latino families to learn about health and nutritional topics. The theme of our program this year is on healthy breakfast meals and family meal time.

Farm Technology Days- I continue to work with the Family Living Tent committee to plan the 2017 show. A huge amount of coordination and planning is necessary for the educational exhibits and stage performances, mercantile vendors, and opening ceremony.

Trauma Informed Parenting – I am working with the human services department to plan a series of parenting classes in October. The training is part of Wisconsin's comprehensive approach to address the needs of children, families and their communities. Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) affect families and communities at all levels; this training will inform professionals and parents about the effects of trauma and provide resiliency skills and resources for families.

Kewaunee County Agriculture and Extension Committee
Activities Report for September, 2016
Claire Thompson, Community Development Educator
Kewaunee County Cooperative Extension

Economic and Organizational Development:

- Completed research and facilitation efforts for Kewaunee County Sheriff's Department Fit for Duty initiative which will roll out on October 1 and may become a model for the County.
- Provided business planning education to one entrepreneur in Kewaunee County.
- Facilitation and planning assistance to the Kewaunee County Economic Development Organization Taste of the County event to be held in October.
- Commenced team leadership for the Live Algoma Community Team, including orientation and onboarding support for the Steering Committee and planning to attend the CHILA 4 conference Phoenix.
- Provided research and education support for Live Algoma Community Metrics projects in collaboration with EPIC and Bellin Health.
- Provided planning and facilitation to further the development of the Ahnapee Trail Head in Algoma as a follow up to the First Impressions project.
- Commenced development of a Needs Assessment for Nonprofit Organizations in the Door-Kewaunee Counties area in collaboration with Rob Burke, CNRED Educator in Door County.

Local Food System Economy:

- Completed facilitation and supervisory support to the Healthy Lunchroom initiative in Algoma as part of the Farm to School Initiative in place of Nutrition Coordinator position which was not re-hired.
- Wrapped up organizational support efforts to Living Lakes Heritage and the Farm Market Kitchen to help with wind-up process. Continued to assist processors with finding a new location. Thompson has been liaising between FMK processors and NWTC to ensure a smooth transition for businesses affected by the closing.
- Provided ongoing support to three entrepreneurs affected by the closing of the Farm Market Kitchen.
- Worked to update Local Food Producers master list as part of the Buy Local initiative and in cooperation with Door County.
- Ongoing participation in Farm Technology Days Food Committee.

Other:

- Participation in UWEX CRD Standards, Rank and Promotion Committee.
- Participated in Tenure Advisory Committee mentoring sessions for two UWEX CNRED faculty members.

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Zoning Committee Meeting – Regular

Date: Wednesday, October 5, 2016
Time: 3:45 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. Approval of Current Agenda
5. Reports of Department Personnel
 - A. Glenn Selner
 - 1) 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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