

**Green County**  
**Agriculture and Extension Education Committee**  
**August 2, 2018 MINUTES**

The August 2018 meeting of the Agriculture and Extension Education Committee was called to order at 12:30 PM by Vice-Chair Oscar Olson. Members present were: Ken Hodgson, Oscar Olson, Art Carter, Erica Roth, and Jody Hoesly. Ken Hodgson was absent. Also present was Paul Ohlrogge, UW-Extension Area Extension Director, Hayley Jordan, Green County Family Living Educator, Ellen Andrews, Green County 4-H Youth Development Educator, Victoria Solomon, Green County Community Development Educator, Jackie McCarville, Green County Ag Educator, Hanna Kearns, Summer Intern, and Jayne Butts, Green County UW-Extension Office Manager.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 2018 meeting was made by Hoesly, second Roth. Motion carried.

**Hanna Kearns**, Summer Intern, gave a presentation on her experiences working this summer in Green County, and expressed appreciation for the opportunity.

Green County Educator Reports—**Ellen Andrews**, discussed 4-H Camp and how to get and keep kids involved/engaged; discussed 48 registered for 4-H Day Camp, and 25 volunteers. Exploring 4-H Day will be held 9/29/18. Ellen discussed trying to capture the ethnic profile of Green County. **Hayley Jordan** discussed working with SWCAP & making mental health first aid curriculum via training-designing; Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>—SWCAP having Mental Health Summit at UW Platteville; Sept 18—Food Security event with Second Harvest (been very helpful) re: schools, training. **Victoria Solomon**, gave intro of who & what she does, discussed Green County Leaders and Youth In Government. **Jackie McCarville** gave an introduction of herself after being in the office 2 days. **Donna Peterson**, gave an overview/update of the FoodWise Program for 2017, discussed good results in Dodgeville & Belmont for the Strong Bodies program, and looking to do another session in Dodgeville. Hoping if there is interest to do in Green County also.

The committee reviewed the UW-Extension office bills for July 2018 in the amount of \$389.62. Motion made by Carter, second by Roth, to approve the vouchers for payment. Motion carried.

Butts, Green County UW-Extension Office Manager, gave a follow up on the Green County Fair, noted the value of the fair via youth participants and adult volunteers, and gave results for the auctions. Butts noted the teamwork, skills & growth in Animal and Non-Animal project youth is amazing and very rewarding to see.

Ohlrogge, Area Extension Director:

- Discussed hiring of the Iowa County 4-H Educator in process and the closing of the Lafayette Agriculture Educator posting on Monday (currently only 5 applicants)
- Ohlrogge discussed beginning work on County Budgets for all 4 counties.
- Noted a change to Hayley Jordan's title from Family Living Educator to Health and Well-Being Educator.
- Discussed the merge with UW-Madison ongoing and advised our email addresses will be changing as time progresses.

Other Business:

- Carter noted he attended a Wisconsin Counties Association meeting for County Board Chairs and discussed updates. Carter also noted all County Board members will be receiving a county designated email in August for further County Board communication, however, Open Meeting Laws have not changed and communication is only informative, not responsive.
- Hayley Jordan noted if farmers are visiting the "Farm Center" through DATCP, open records law is not applicable, in an effort to protect farmers.
- Ellen Andrews discussed an increase of smoking outside the front doors of our office. Carter noted new cigarette butt cans are coming, however smoking near our youth entrance doors should not be allowed.

Motion for next month's meeting to be September 13, 2018 at 12:30pm by Hoesly, second by Roth.

Motion by Carter, second by Hoesly to adjourn at 1:48 pm. Motion carried.