

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION
EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, September 19, 2016
9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Roger Guthrie. Present, in addition to Guthrie were John Patcle, Mark Stead, Grant Loy, Dan Timmerman, Mike Lieurance, Bob Keeney, Bev Doll, Ted Bay, Amy Olson, Lori Vesperman, Kory Stalsberg, Charisse Orth, Cindy Busch, Donna Peterson, Jack Johnson and Joe Krantz.

The meeting notice was posted at the UW-Extension Office, Youth & Agriculture Center and mailed to media and Administration Building by Jenny Dixon and posted on the website by the Grant County Clerk's Office.

Motion by Dan Timmerman, seconded by Grant Loy, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Mike Lieurance, to approve minutes of the meetings held August 15, 18, 19, 20, 21 (with correction) and September 2, 2016. Motion carried.

Bev Doll presented Grant County UW-Extension and Youth & Agriculture Center business.

Ted Bay, Kory Stalsberg, Charisse Orth, Donna Peterson and Cindy Busch gave agent reports.

Cindy Busch, WNEP Nutrition Educator, is retiring with her last day being October 3, 2016.

The Community Resource Development Agent position should be posted soon according to Matt Hanson, Southwest Regional Director.

Ted Bay informed the committee that Grant, Iowa and Lafayette Counties are applying for grants for a Clean Sweep.

A joint meeting will be held with Lafayette County on October 17 at 1:00 p.m. at the UW-Platteville Pioneer Prairie Farm to discuss and act on the Memorandum of Understanding between Grant and Lafayette Counties sharing the Crops & Farm Management Agent's and Dairy & Livestock Agent's time.

The UW-Extension Office would like to employ an OJT student from Lancaster High School. The student would be paid minimum wage and receive credits for working.

Grant County is scheduled to be featured on the front cover and centerfold section of the 2018 Hidden Valleys Tourism Guide. The cost is \$3,500.00

Motion by Dan Timmerman, seconded by John Patcle to approve UW-Extension vouchers. Motion carried.

Amy Olson gave the grounds and maintenance and Youth & Agriculture Center report.

It was suggested gates on both sides of the race track be locked to avoid entrance to the track.

Motion by Dan Timmerman, seconded by Grant Loy, to approve grounds and maintenance vouchers. Motion carried.

Amy Olson presented Fair and Fairgrounds business.

Recycling of cans and plastic bottles was discussed due to the suggestion of a concerned citizen.

Discussion was held with Joe Krantz regarding shows for the 2017 Grant County Fair.

The committee recapped the 2016 Fair and made suggestions for the 2017 Fair.

The 2017 carnival contract will be decided in the future. It was suggested that the current contract stay in force, amending it with the correct title of the company.

The district meeting will be held October 12, with Grant County Hosting in the Eckstein Exhibit Hall.

The Wisconsin Association of Fairs Convention will be January 8-11, 2017. October 1 is the deadline for award nominations.

Motion by Dan Timmerman, seconded by Grant Loy, to approve Fair and Fairgrounds vouchers. Motion carried.

Facility Dude is in the implementation stage.

Discussion was held on the Grant County Humane Society Contract.

Motion by Mike Lieurance, seconded by Roger Guthrie, to pass the contract with the Grant County Humane Society on to the full County Board for consideration. 3 yes, 3 no votes. Grant County Board Chair, Bob Keeney, voted yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Mike Lieurance, to adjourn. Motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting is October 17, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Stead
Secretary

Lori Vesperman
Recording Secretary