AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION/ FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, May 31, 2023 9:00 a.m.

The May 31 meeting was held in the Conference of the Youth & Agriculture Center. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Schroeder. Present in person were Chairman Schroeder, Gary Northouse, Joe Mumm, Porter Wagner, Bob Keeney, Amy Olson, Lori Vesperman, Lynn Perkins and Amanda Cauffman. Roger Guthrie and Kathy Kopp were excused.

The emergency meeting notice was posted at the Extension Office, Youth & Agriculture Center, Administration Building and on the Grant County website.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Joe Mumm, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Agriculture Educator Position due to the resignation of the Regional Agriculture Educator. Lynn Perkins, Area Extension Director, informed the committee of the hiring process.

The Committee went into closed session for discussion. Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Joe Mumm, to move to closed session per state statute 19.85 (1) (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility as it relates to the Agriculture Educator Position. Roll call vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Porter Wagner, seconded by Joe Mumm, to return to open session. Motion carried.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Porter Wagner, to continue with the Regional Agriculture Educator position with the stipulation that the Extension Office in Grant County be the home base office. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Porter Wagner, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Lori Vesperman Recording Secretary