

Richland County Agriculture and Extension Education Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2019 - 1:00 p.m.
Room 713, Extension Office, East Hall, UW-Richland

Present: Couey, Nelson, Brewer, Wegner, Wunnicke, Saxe, Craddock, Hady
Excused: Williamson

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Brewer at 1:00 p.m.
- II. Saxe gave proof of notification.
- III. Motion by Couey, seconded by Wegner, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- IV. Motion by Wegner, seconded by Nelson, to approve the February 2019 minutes. Motion carried.
- V. Public input-none
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - a. Get Real Update – Wunnicke reported that 300 students and 120 volunteers participated in Get Real on March 20 at the Richland Center High School. Through the simulation, students had the opportunity to experience real life financial situations. Wunnicke also reported that approximately one third of the adult volunteers were new this year due to several outreach efforts to involve the community.
 - b. FoodWise Educator Update – Saxe reported that since the FoodWise coordinator position is also open, that position will be filled before the educator position. The position description was sent to UW-Madison about a month ago, but has not yet been posted. If the new tri-county FoodWise Coordinator is located in Richland County, they will also serve as the FoodWise Educator. If the coordinator is housed in Crawford or Vernon Counties, an educator will be hired for Richland County.
 - c. Transition to Madison – Saxe reported that all Extension staff have new email addresses (firstname.lastname@wisc.edu). Brewer requested the addresses be shared with the staff at the courthouse. Additional transitions to UW-Madison are anticipated to be complete by July1.
- VII. New Business
 - a. Extension Summer Intern – Craddock reported that she and Chelsea applied for a summer intern to work with families with young children. The position will be funded through UW-Madison. Motion by Couey, seconded by Wegner, to publish the position in the local newspaper when the job description is available.
- VIII. Out of County Requests - Motion by Couey, seconded by Nelson, to approve out of county requests for Hady and Wunnicke to attend the JCEP conference on April 24-25. Hady mentioned that he nominated Ron and Beth Fruit for the Friend of Extension Ag Agents award and they will be receiving it during the JCEP banquet. Motion carried. Motion by Couey, seconded by Wegner, for Craddock to attend new staff training. Motion carried.
- IX. Approval of Repairs/Purchases over \$1,000. None.
- X. Expenditures: Office, Agent, Soils, Program and Pesticide accounts – Motion by Nelson, seconded by Couey, to recommend payment of all accounts. Motion carried.
- XI. AED Update - Saxe reported that he is working on performance evaluations for Craddock and Wunnicke. He also participated in the evaluation for Hady.
- XII. Educator Report – Hady reported on the Cattle Feeder Clinics held a multiple locations during late February. Over 200 people attended the six presentations. Hady was one of several specialists that taught on various topics. Since the program, Hady has been contacted by two outside groups requesting to use the information he presented in the Direct Marketing session. According to the evaluations, about 50% of the attendees had participated in Cattle Feeder Clinics in the past. Of the repeat attenders, 45% reported they had made a change in their practice due to information they had received and 50% reported an increase of \$10-\$25/head due to those changes.
- XIII. Next meeting date is May 1, 2019 at 1 p.m.
- XIV. Motion to adjourn by Nelson and seconded by Couey. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by: Karleen Craddock.