

*Richland County Board - Education Committee
Richland County, Wisconsin*

August 12, 2022

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Education Committee will be meeting in-person and virtually on Friday, August 12, 2022, at 1:15 p.m., in the Pippin Conference Center, located in Melvill Hall on the UW Platteville-Richland Campus, 1200 US HWY 14 W, Richland Center, Wisconsin, to discuss and/or take action on the following agenda items:

Virtual connection information can be accessed at: <https://administrator.co.richland.wi.us/minutes/education/>

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call of the Committee
3. Proof of Notification
4. Agenda Approval
5. Approval of Minutes from the July 2022 Meeting.
6. Report from Michael Breininger and Kathy Fry on International Students' Constraints on Being Admitted to UWP-Richland. Discussion and Possible Action.
7. Discussion on Enrollment Data From 2011 to 2022
8. Food Service Update
 1. Monthly Financial Report
 2. Financial Report on positions
 3. Budget Tracking
 4. 2023 County Budget Proposal
 5. Items to be Considered for Referendum Committee that Committee Forwards to the Referendum Committee
9. Food Service Contract for the Meal Sites. Discussion and Possible Action*
10. Ag and Extension
 1. Area Extension Director Update – Adam Hady
Topics: Contract with County
 2. Educator Report – Human Development & Relationships, Chelsea Wunnicke
 3. Budget Tracking
 4. Monthly Expenditures
 5. 2023 County Budget Proposal
 6. Items to be Considered for Referendum Committee that Committee Forwards to the Referendum Committee
11. UW-Platteville Richland Campus
 1. Administrative Report - Michael Compton
Suggested Topics: New Student Registration, Classroom usage
 2. Building and Grounds Maintenance and Repairs – Michael Compton
 1. Approve Monthly Expenditures
 2. Budget Tracking (Balance)
 3. 2023 County Budget Proposal
 4. Items to be Considered for Referendum Committee that Committee Forwards to the Referendum Committee
12. Discussion on resolution passed at July 27 Finance and Personnel meeting and directions which the committee should address
13. Items for September 12 Meeting
14. Correspondence
15. Adjourn

Copies to: Education Committee Members

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| - Linda Gentes | - Ingrid Glasbrenner |
| - Chad Cosgrove | - Daniel McGuire |
| - Bob Frank | - Marc Couey |
| - Barbara Voyce | |
| - Shaun Murphy-Lopez | |

Marty Brewer, County Board Chair
Clinton Langreck, County Administrator
Richland Observer
WRCO
Derek Kalish, County Clerk
Terry Sebranek, the Campus Foundation President
Tara Krueger, the Campus Foundation Director.

* Item 9 added 8/5/2022

Richland County Board - Education Committee

Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2022

Pippin Conference Center, located in Melvill Hall on the UW Platteville-Richland Campus, and via Zoom

Committee Member Present: Linda Gentes, Ingrid Glasbrenner, Bob Frank, Shaun Murphy-Lopez, Barbara Voyce. ***Absent:*** Chad Cosgrove, Daniel McGuire, Marc Couey

Staff Present: Angie Arneson, Michael Compton, John Christensen, Adam Hady, Kristine Lockwood, Karleen Craddock, Carylon Ihde, Chelsea Wunnicke, Paul Erickson, Tammy Evetovich, Clinton Langreck, Wayne Weber; ***via Zoom:*** Jennie Silver, Anna Ofte, Cheryl Dull

Community Members Present: John Poole, Barbra Wentz, Jane Birkett, Marilyn Loft-Houck, Marty Brewer

1. **Call to Order** – meeting was called to order by Chair Gentes at 1:20 pm
2. **Roll Call of the Committee** – Roll was taken, and quorum was established
3. **Proof of Notification** – Hady gave proof of notification
4. **Agenda Approval** – Motion to approve the agenda by Murphy-Lopez, second by Voyce. Motion carried by voice vote.
5. **Approval of Minutes from the June 2022 Meeting.** Motion to approve the minutes of the June meeting by Frank, second by Murphy-Lopez. Motion carried by voice vote.
6. **Introduction of UWP Interim Chancellor Evetovich and Interim Provost Weber** – Chair Gentes introduced Interim Chancellor Evetovich and Interim Provost Weber. Each made a few comments to the committee.

Item #11 was moved up in the agenda.

11. **Review and action on capital improvement schedule from 2022 to 2027** – Motion to recommend to the finance committee that funding be secured for the Coppertop roof in the 2023 budget. Second by Frank. During discussion motion to amend to add “replacement of the flat section” before Copper Top roof, by Murphy-Lopez, second by Frank. The Amendment carried by voice vote. Murphy-Lopez requested roll call vote. Ayes: Murphy-Lopez, Frank, Gentes, and Voyce. Nays: Glasbrenner. The amended main motion carried 4-1

7. Food Service

1. **Financial Report** – Arneson gave financial report to the committee, indicated that the Souparama campaign has accounted for 68% of register sales in the past year.
2. **Budget Tracking** – Arneson gave an update of the fund balance and tracking over the past 3 years.
3. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Upcoming Position Vacancy in UW Food Services** - Arneson reported to the committee that she would be retiring in August. The committee had discussion on staffing and operations of Campus Food Service. Arneson will bring options regarding staffing/operation models to the August Committee meeting.

8. Ag and Extension

1. **Area Extension Director Update** – Hady gave an update on vacancies in the Area 13, starting Budgeting in the Area, and will be starting to conduct midpoint reviews on staff
2. **Educator Report – Karleen Craddock, 4-H Educator** - Craddock gave a report on the Richland County 4-H program, including the youth program, volunteers, and community connections.
3. **Out of County Requests for Extension Educators** – there was discussion related to this agenda item and the committee recommended to discontinue.
4. **Budget Tracking** – Hady presented the budget tracking for Extension
5. **Monthly Expenditures** – Hady presented the monthly Expenditures for Extension. Motion by Voyce to approve the Expenditures, second by Murphy-Lopez. Motion carried by voice vote.

9. UW-Platteville Richland Campus

1. **Administrative Report** – Compton provided updates on Fall Enrollment, Fall Continuing Education Classes, Campus View Update, Grant to SW TECH, UWP, CESA 3
2. **Marketing/ Communications Update** - Christensen gave an update on the broad marketing through radio, billboard, and digital marketing. He also shared the yard sign that is given to students to market campus.
3. **Building and Grounds Maintenance and Repairs**
 1. **Approve Monthly Expenditures** - Compton reviewed the written report, motion by Glasbrenner to approve the Expenditures, second by Frank. Motion carried by voice vote.
 2. **Budget Tracking (Balance)** – Compton provided budget tracking worksheet to the committee

10. Discussion of June 22nd and July 5th Finance and Personnel meeting – There was a discussion on the proposed resolutions presented during the June 22nd and July 5th Finance and Personnel committee meetings. Each department discussed potential impacts that passage of the resolutions could have on the departments.

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12. Items for August Meeting – none

13. Correspondence – None

14. Adjourn – Motion to Adjourn by Frank, second by Murphy-Lopez. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 3:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam A Hady
Area Extension Director

Hi Linda,

Thanks for the details.

The Richland School District Board of Education approved a proposal that I worked on to begin working on implementing an F1 visa program at the high school. I had contacted Lisa Behling at the UW-Platteville Richland campus and she gave me the name of the international coordinator at Platteville. I emailed that person and she was very slow in responding.

However, eventually she did respond, and Emily Dolan and I met virtually with her once to discuss the possibility of implementing a program. What I am hoping for with this is to have international students attend RCHS on J1 visas as juniors, switch over to an F1 visa as seniors, graduate from RCHS, and spend at least one year at UW-Platteville Richland. What we were told on our call was that the idea is definitely feasible, but there would be no guarantee that the students would attend Richland and not some other UW campus. This was disappointing to me, but understandable. After our meeting, she followed up with an email that gave information on some of the partners Platteville works with to recruit international students.

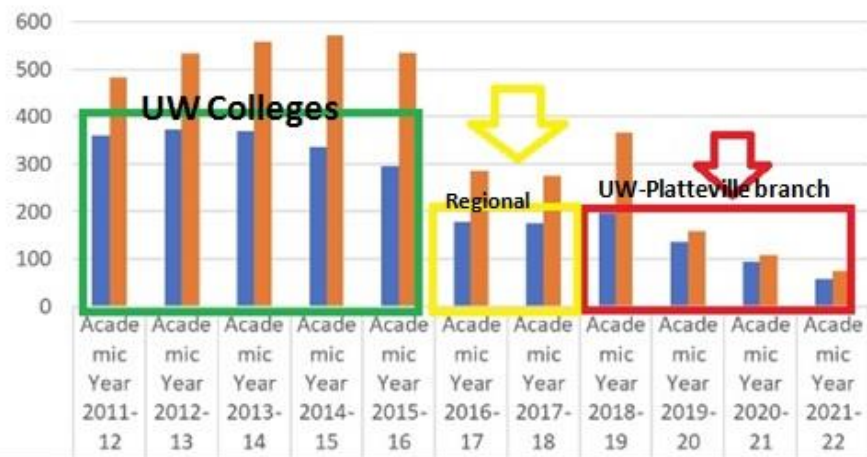
You may have heard that I will be leaving the school district. I have been offered a position at the WI Department of Public Instruction as a School Administration Consultant. I begin there on August 1st. I will continue to be the Foreign Exchange Director at RCHS, at least for one more year, and I still intend to work on the getting the F1 program in place.

It will be difficult for me to make the meeting on August 12, unfortunately. I won't say impossible because I don't know what my schedule is going to look like yet. But it might be better to have something written for that meeting. Maybe this email will suffice, but if you want more info, please let me know. My intention with this whole idea is to start a seamless regular flow of international students from RCHS to the campus. I am devastated at what has happened to the international program at UW-Platteville Richland. I'll do anything I can to help re-establish a viable program.

Stay well!

Kathy

UW-P Richland Student Enrollment by FTE and Headcount 2011-12 through 2021-22



■ Student FTE	359.8	372.63	369.2	335.23	294.93	178.27	175.53	197.2	136.17	93.07	58.27
■ Student Headcount - Unduplicated	482	532	557	571	534	284	274	366	159	109	75

■ Student FTE ■ Student Headcount - Unduplicated

**Contract Between Richland County
and
Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System**

This contract is by and between Richland County, State of Wisconsin (**County**), and Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, on behalf of the University of Wisconsin - Madison, Division of Extension (**Extension**) and is entered into pursuant to the authority vested in the County Committee on Agriculture and Extension Education by sections 59.22(2)(d) and 59.56(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Whereas, Extension is organized both around geography, as faculty and staff deliver programs in communities throughout the state, and around academic disciplines. The broad disciplines currently include the Department of Agriculture & Natural Resources and the Department of Youth, Family & Community Development that oversee programmatic and academic functions;

Whereas, Extension is committed to maintaining an office in every county willing to commit to continued funding and space for Extension staff. Extension recognizes the value in keeping a local presence in every county and keeping the shortest distance possible between the people of Wisconsin and the Extension staff delivering programming to them;

Whereas, Extension provides opportunities to additional resources such as statewide specialists and UW-System campus resources to address specific local issues in core areas of expertise;

Whereas, the County is a critical partner in developing and implementing key educational priorities for county residents. In collaboration with Extension leadership, counties will identify local services of priority to their communities. County will agree to co-fund Extension faculty and staff based upon annually established flat fees for positions as defined below; and

Whereas, the parties need to define their respective rights and responsibilities;

Now therefore, the parties agree as follows:

1. Term, Amendment & Termination.

- a. The term of this contract is one (1) year. The term shall run from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, unless amended or terminated as set forth below.
- b. Any additions, changes, modifications or renewals of this contract are subject to the mutual agreement and written consent of authorized representatives of both parties.
- c. Either the County or Extension may cancel this entire Agreement with or without cause upon sixty (60) days' written notice delivered by mail or in person; provided, however, the County shall be responsible for paying a prorated amount of fees under Section 3.a. through the notice period. In addition, if the contract is cancelled before the end of the term, the discount identified in Section 3.a. shall be prorated (i.e. the discount amounts to roughly \$834 per month).

2. **Extension Responsibilities.** Extension agrees to:
 - a. Hire local Extension staff who will deliver educational services aligned to County priorities. As vacancies occur, and if the County and Extension agree to continue to support the desired program and position, Extension will seek County input when filling vacant positions.
 - b. Invoice the County semi-annually, by March 31st and September 30th for amounts due under this agreement.
3. **County Responsibilities.** In consideration of the programs that Extension provides to County under this contract, the County agrees to:
 - a. Pay to Extension the County share of up to \$95,669 for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 as allocated below.

Positions	Fee	FTE	Total
Agriculture Extension Educator	\$43,600	0.5	\$21,800
Human Development & Relationship Extension Educator	\$43,600	0.8	\$34,880
First Educator Discount			(\$10,000)
Subtotal			\$46,680
4-H Program Coordinator (County pays 75% of actual cost)	\$48,989	1	\$48,989
Final Total			\$95,669

- b. Provide travel and appropriate job expenses to the staff, office facilities and equipment, office supplies and demonstration materials, salary and fringe benefits for the clerical support staff, and other supporting budgetary items through regular County budgetary procedures in which funds are appropriated for such purposes under applicable Wisconsin law.
4. **General Conditions** This contract is established under the following conditions:
 - a. **Notices.** Any notice or demand which must be given or made by a party to this Agreement or any statute or ordinance shall be in writing, and shall be sent via e-mail and certified mail. Notices to the County shall be sent to County Representative(s). Notice to the Extension shall be sent to Area Extension Director.
 - b. **Employer, Personnel Rules, Volunteers and Liability.** Any employees hired by Extension under Section 2.a. of this contract are employees of Extension, and are subject to the personnel rules, policies, and procedures for faculty, academic staff or University staff, as appropriate to the respective appointment in Extension as

established by Wisconsin statute, and, or administrative rules; and, or, by policies or procedures adopted by the Board of Regents and the University of Wisconsin - Division of Extension. Any individual who meets Extension's definition of a volunteer and completes all registration requirements will be considered an Extension volunteer. Extension will be responsible for ensuring that its employees and volunteers take affirmative steps to make clear, when entering into relationships with third parties, that they are employees or volunteers of Extension. Extension shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its employees while acting within the scope of such employment. To the extent they are acting as agents of Extension, Extension shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its volunteers while acting within the scope of such agency.

Any individuals who are employed by the County in order to satisfy obligations under Section 3.b. of this contract are County employees and are subject to applicable County personnel rules, policies and procedures. Any volunteer engaged by County to further the purposes of this contract will be considered a volunteer of County. County will be responsible for ensuring that its employees and volunteers take affirmative steps to make clear, when entering into relationships with third parties, that they are employees or volunteers of County. County shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its employees while acting within the scope of such employment. To the extent they are acting as agents of County, County shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its volunteers while acting within the scope of such agency.

- c. **Billing.** For the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, Extension shall bill the County for the total amount under Section 3.a. of this contract. The County will be billed for the first half of the total contract by March 31st and the second half of the total contract by September 30th. If services are not rendered or excess services are provided to the County by Extension during the contract period, the parties will use good faith efforts to adjust the total contract amount and update future bills to coincide with the new agreed upon amount. The County shall pay the amount billed within 30 days of the billing.
- d. **Insurance.** The Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System as an agency of the State, and consequently, Extension, is self-funded for liability (both public and property) under ss. 893.82 and 895.46(1), Wis. Stats. As a result, such protection as is afforded under respective Wisconsin Statutes is applicable to officers, employees, and agents while acting within the scope of their employment or agency. Since this is statutory insurance, there is no liability policy as such that can extend protection to any others.

County agrees to maintain appropriate insurance to cover the potential liability of its officers, employees and agents while acting within the scope of their employment or agency. Such insurance may be provided through a self-insurance program.

- e. **Nondiscrimination/Affirmative Action.** The County and Extension will comply with all applicable state and federal laws and rules prohibiting unlawful discrimination. During the performance of work under this contract, Extension agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, ancestry, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability,

arrest or conviction record, marital status, political affiliation, sexual orientation, or membership in the National Guard. This provision shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and, selection for training, including apprenticeship. Extension further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunities.

By: [Signature] Date: 11-3-21 By: _____ Date: _____
County Representative County Representative

By: [Signature] Date: _____ By: _____ Date: _____
County Representative County Representative

By: [Signature] Date: 10-20-2021 By: _____ Date: _____
Area Extension Director County Representative
UW-Madison, Division of Extension

By: [Signature] Date: 11/16/2021 By: [Signature] Date: 11/17/2021
Director of Financial Services On Behalf of Board of Regents of
UW-Madison, Division of Extension The University of Wisconsin System

2023 Budget Summary

Department:

Fund(s) Assigned In County Budget:

Please answer the questions below to complete the 2023 Budget Summary for your department/program.

1.) Please provide a brief department/program description and a summary of the department/program functions and service provided to the community.

Extension develops practical educational programs tailored to local needs and based on university knowledge and research. We teach, learn, lead, and serve, connecting people with the university of Wisconsin–Madison, and engaging with them in transforming lives and communities. County-based Extension educators are experts in agriculture and agribusiness, families, communities, and youth development.

2.) List the mandated functions and services provided by the department/program.

None

3.) List the non-mandated services and functions provided by the department/program.

- Agriculture Outreach – primarily livestock programming
- Youth Development (primarily through 4-H program)
- Financial Education
- Strengthen Individuals, Families and Communities,
- Healthy Eating Active Living
- Nutritional Education through FoodWise program
- Policy, Systems, and Environment education and support.

4.) Explain the department/program's major goals or projects intended with the 2023 budget apportionment.

Our departments goals are to continue to expand access of the resources of the University of Wisconsin to all residents of Richland County and continue to offer outreach and educational programs based off community needs.

5.) Summarize the impact of the 2023 budget guidance to the department/program.

With the 2023 budget guidance on a zero percent increase to Levy funds on all operational portions of the budget. Having to include the increase in the educator contracts as an operational piece of the budget, created a \$4,914 gap to meet the guidelines. As a result, the budgeted

allocation for educator travel has been eliminated and office support (copies, printing supplies etc.) has taken a 24% reduction.

6.) Summarize the department/program's services and staffing adjustments in response to the 2023 budget guidance. Include a list of reduced or eliminated services, expanded or added services, and any collaborative, outsourced or creative solutions to maintain services.

By having to absorb the cost of the educators in our operations budget, this will impact their ability to reach all citizens in all areas of Richland County. This reduction also limits the County in meeting their contractual agreement with the State.

3.1 b of the Educator Contract:

Provide travel and appropriate job expenses to the staff, office facilities and equipment, office supplies and demonstration materials, salary and fringe benefits for the clerical support staff, and other supporting budgetary items through regular County budgetary procedures in which funds are appropriated for such purposes under applicable Wisconsin law.

Also note that while the number is not indicated on the county budget, as part of the partnership UW-Madison allocated the follow amount of funding resources to Richland County over the years 2017 – 2021.

2021	\$	268,581.50
2020	\$	252,458.30
2019	\$	257,735.28
2018	\$	278,778.62
2017	\$	253,269.37

The Dollar values are what the UW System pays to Educators in Richland County (beyond the County Contract). These funds support the Extension office through the payment of benefits and salary to Extension Educators, who are employees of the UW system (UW Madison).

7.) Summarize the cost impact to maintain services at a 2022 level and provide recommendations on how to do so.

Extension Educators will spend additional staff time fundraising and obtaining sponsorships for program supplies and travel to outlying areas of Richland County. Travel to areas outside of Richland Center, to provide programming in other areas of Richland County may be reduced if alternate sponsorships cannot be found.

8.) List any anticipated capital improvements, projects from Fund #75 (capital projects) and Fund #92 (short-term borrowing).

None

9.) List any recommendations given from supervisory committee.

Committee did not meet in the time between the release of guidance and deadline for submittal

10.) List any future operational changes needed (ex: state/federal mandates) or requests for consideration.

Proposed Extension Richland County Budget 2023

Support Staff	2022	2023	Change	% Change
Salaries - Regular	\$32,523.40	\$34,871.20	\$2,347.80	7.2
Salaries - Part time	\$27,125.28	\$28,479.36	\$1,354.08	5.0
Section 125 Plan Co-Share	\$156.00	\$115.00	-\$41.00	-26.3
FICA	\$4,563.12	\$4,846.32	\$283.20	6.2
Retirement	\$3,877.16	\$4,307.84	\$430.68	11.1
Dental Ins	\$219.72	\$219.72	\$0.00	0.0
Health Ins	\$7,986.95	\$9,184.99	\$1,198.04	15.0
Life Ins	\$6.14	\$6.14	\$0.00	0.0
Health In Red.	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	0.0
Total Support Staff	\$77,457.77	\$83,030.57	\$5,572.80	7.2
% of total budget	43.4			
Office				
Computer Support	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	0.0
Telephone	\$2,000.00	\$1,700.00	-\$300.00	-15.0
Service on Machines	\$150.00	\$0.00	-\$150.00	-100.0
Lease on Copier & Duplications	\$3,000.00	\$2,900.00	-\$100.00	-3.3
Postage & Envelopes	\$400.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00	-50.0
Book and Forms	\$300.00	\$0.00	-\$300.00	-100.0
Copies and Duplication	\$1,200.00	\$800.00	-\$400.00	-33.3
Office Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	-\$500.00	-25.0
Computer Software	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	#DIV/0!
New Equipment	\$500.00	\$0.00	-\$500.00	-100.0
Total Office	\$10,050.00	\$7,600.00	\$2,450.00	-24.4
% of total budget	4.0			
Agent Expenses				
Extension & Agent Dues	\$50.00	\$0.00	-\$50.00	-100.0
Agents Registration	\$200.00	\$0.00	-\$200.00	-100.0
Agent Meals	\$25.00	\$0.00	-\$25.00	-100.0
Agent Lodging	\$200.00	\$0.00	-\$200.00	-100.0
Agent Milage	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	-100.0
Total Agent Expense	\$2,475.00	\$0.00	\$2,475.00	-100.0
% of total Budget		0.0		
Contract Services				
Agent Contracts	\$95,669.00	\$100,583.00	\$4,914.00	5.1
% of total budget		52.6		
TOTAL BUDGET	\$185,651.77	\$191,213.57	\$5,561.80	3.0

2022 Planned Staffing Information for Areas 13 & 14

Here are staff sizes I can give you off the top of my head from the offices that I managed

County	Support Staff	4-H	Agriculture	Health and well being	Human Development	Community Development	Total FTE	FTE on Contract
Richland	1.5	1	0.5	0.8			3.8	2.3
Crawford	1.5	1	0.5	1		1	5	3.5
Vernon	1	1	1			1	4	3
Monroe	1	1	1	0.5			3.5	2.5
Juneau	1	1	0.5			0.25	2.75	1.75
Adams	1.5	1	0.25	1			3.75	2.25
Marquette	1	1	0.25	1			3.25	2.25
Green Lake	0.5	1	0.25		1		2.75	2.25
Waushara	1	1	0.25	1			3.25	2.25
Lacrosse	2	1	1		1	1	6	4

Note: some support staff are at 37.5 and some are at 40 hours per week. Support staff that fell into one of those situations I noted them as 1 FTE. Richland County is currently funding support staff at one position 35 hours and the second at 28 hours a week.

Notes from phone conversation on Friday, August 5, 2022 with Monica Kershner

Monica is the mother of Ty Kershner who will be attending UWP-Richland in the fall of 2022.

She also has been working part time in the Ithaca schools in the counselor's office and assisting high school students in course work, college credits, etc. She is also the Youth Apprenticeship Career coach. I help junior and seniors discover their career passions and strengths. ;)

I asked her how the admission process was for Ty when applying to Richland.

She said:

- Apply online at UW Platteville, then click Richland and you go right to UW Platteville admissions.
- It was very confusing, not sure to which school you are applying
- He is her third child to enter college and this was the most confusing admission
- They received two acceptance letters, one for UWP-Richland and one for UW Platteville, which confused them more because not sure where he was enrolled.
- They needed clarification. He is interested in engineering and it was difficult to find out that he could begin at Richland and then transfer to Platteville to go into their engineering program
- Not sure of the campus spirit, he can be a walk on for track at Platteville so is he a Roadrunner or a Pioneer?
- Since last Friday, over the weekend of the 6th and 7th, Ty received an e-mail from UW-Platteville about getting ready for college. It never mentions Richland. Other e-mails have been this way also and that makes for concerns that they are really a part of the Richland Campus.

She further went on to talk about working with the Ithaca students:

- There has been no recruitment at Ithaca for Richland
- There does not seem to be any PR for the campus.
- It is a privilege to have an area 2-year school with several associate degree programs
- Many of her students are not ready for a larger school and want an environment to get to know faculty and also still live at home and save money
- She really hopes we can keep UWP-Richland alive and thriving
- She is helping 5 seniors at Ithaca take college-up programs and wishes there were more opportunities like this at Richland

On Wednesday, August 3, 2022, 1:30 PM, Division of Enrollment and Student Success
<studentsuccess@uwplatt.edu> wrote:



Greetings from Enrollment and Student Success

Hello again, Parents and Families!

In just five short weeks, your student will be starting their fall semester at UW-Platteville. Two years ago, my own son was getting ready to start college. I remember him feeling excited and nervous at the same time. He was excited to connect with his peers, delve into his major, and (if I'm honest) gain some distance from me! He was also nervous because the world we live in isn't as safe as it once was. And our way of processing all those feelings was to talk.

I hope you can have some **intentional talks** with your student this month. Have you decided how often you will talk to your student once they have started their semester? While it's important to stay connected, you also want to respect your student's need for independence. And it's not realistic to expect them to answer a call when they are in class!

It is also important to talk with your student about how they will resolve issues that might come up, such as a lost ID card or oversleeping and missing a class. While you can continue to provide support from home, it's equally important for your student to know who on their campus can replace that ID or how to talk to their professor about the work they missed. And if there are more serious issues, remember that the **Dean of Students Office** is ready to provide guidance. They have developed a [resource](#) specifically for parents and families to help you talk about making safe decisions in a college environment. To reach the Dean of Students Office for more information, just email deanofstudents@uwplatt.edu.

While preparation is important, the most impactful conversations are those that start and end with, "I'm proud of you." You will always be your student's most important cheerleader and they will look to you if they are feeling unsure of themselves. What **words of encouragement** will you provide your student? How will you let them know that "they got this" and that you have their back? Email studentsuccess@uwplatt.edu

(if you like) and share some examples of positive messaging that you plan to use. We will then compile these words of encouragement—anonynously—to share with all our incoming students at the start of the semester.

Continue checking the New Student Experience Parent & Family [website](#) and look for “Reconnecting with Campus.” These are virtual sessions coming up on August 18 and August 22 to answer last minute questions you or your student may have. We will be emailing invitations to these sessions soon.

Thank you for choosing a UW-Platteville campus!



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RESOLUTION NO. 22 - __

A Resolution Notifying the UW Platteville-Richland Leadership, UW Extension Office and Food Services of Future Funding Reductions and Directing the Richland County Education Standing Committee to Consider Services, Develop Options and Propose a Recommendation on Future Operations.

Whereas, the Richland County Board Accepted the County Administrator's Financial Conditions Report that illustrated the financial challenges in maintaining all current county provided services; and

Whereas, the Richland County Board Adopted the County Administrator's Financial and Capital Plan that iterates the Richland County's Strategic Plan calling for prioritization of services and reductions in levy expenditures on both mandated and non-mandated services; and

Whereas, the Richland County has received numerous petitions and concerns regarding the elimination, reduction or displacement of such highly valued services, and recognizes the importance that these services have to the community, and is taking actions to investigate a possible transition of these services.

Now therefore be it resolved, by the Richland County Board of Supervisors that the University of Wisconsin Extension Office, Food Services and partners in the UW Platteville-Richland have been identified for future funding reductions, and

Be it further resolved, the Richland County Education Standing Committee is tasked to work in conjunction with county administration, supporting staff, UW Platteville-Richland and community partner to consider services, develop and evaluate options and make a recommendation, to the County Board, on future operations of the UW Extension Office, Food Services and UW Platteville-Richland; and

Be it further resolved, that the Education Standing Committee is specifically tasked with the following:

Regarding the UW Campus

1. Service Consideration Matrix — Evaluate services under the guidance of the Service Consideration Matrix (of the Richland County Strategic Plan), finalize responses by a majority vote of the committee and submit the responses to the County Administrator to present to the Rules and Strategic Planning Standing Committee, Finance and Personnel Standing Committee and the Richland County Board.
2. Existing Agreement with No Levy — Develop a course of action, if possible, where ownership of all grounds and property is retained by Richland County and services are provided through UW Platteville-Richland, but in which no foreseeable county levy dollars are needed for any future operations or capital expenditures entering into 2025 and beyond.
3. Amend Agreement, Reduced UW Footprint with No Levy — Develop a course of action, where UW Platteville-Richland operates with occupancy of fewer buildings, and all other property, buildings and grounds are sold, leased, or rented by the county as necessary to generate revenues for maintenance of all current campus buildings and grounds retained by the County, where no foreseeable county levy dollars are needed for any future operations or capital expenditures entering

into 2025 and beyond. This course of action should also include consideration future services and location for UW Extension Office staff and Food Service Staff.

4. Amend Agreement, End Services — Develop a course of action, if legally possible, for the discontinuation of the existing agreement with the UW Board of Regents including: elimination of county funding and appropriation or liquidation of all assets, grounds, equipment and facilities in the best interest of the county.
5. Develop a course of action, if possible, that may be a combination of elements above, but in which no foreseeable county levy dollars are needed for any future operations or capital expenditures after 2024.
6. Explore the return of recruiting and admission from the UW Platteville Campus to the UW Richland Campus and
7. 7) Explore a dollar for dollar match by UW Richland Foundation for capital project, not to exceed \$100,000 year in exchange for the County committing to continue to allocate a minimum of \$20,000 a year for insurance and \$100,000 for capital maintenance projects.

Regarding the Food Services

- ~~6.8.~~ Service Consideration Matrix — Evaluate services under the guidance of the Service Consideration Matrix (of the Richland County Strategic Plan), finalize responses by a majority vote of the committee and submit the responses to the County Administrator to present to the Rules and Strategic Planning Standing Committee, Finance and Personnel Standing Committee and the Richland County Board.
- ~~7.9.~~ Existing Model with No Levy — Develop a course of action, if possible, where services are provided to UW Platteville-Richland, Nutrition Program and community, but in which no foreseeable county levy dollars are needed for any future operations or capital expenditures entering into 2024 and beyond. Consideration must also be given to future maintenance and ownership of the Coppertop Building.
- ~~8.10.~~ Develop a course of action, for the discontinuation of the existing services including: elimination of county funding, reassignment or separation of existing staff, necessary changes in policy, and appropriation or liquidation of all assets, grounds, equipment and facilities in the best interest of the county.

Regarding the UW Extension Office

- ~~9.11.~~ Service Consideration Matrix — Evaluate services under the guidance of the Service Consideration Matrix (of the Richland County Strategic Plan), finalize responses by a majority vote of the committee and submit the responses to the County Administrator to present to the Rules and Strategic Planning Standing Committee, Finance and Personnel Standing Committee and the Richland County Board.

~~10.12.~~ Service Reduction — Develop a course of action, for prioritizing services to operate at a \$100,000 levy by 2024 and \$75,000 levy by 2026.

Be it further resolved that the Education Standing Committee Chair, through the powers established of setting agendas, is responsible for completing these specified tasks by no later than the June 6th, 2023 Finance and Personnel Standing Committee Meeting; and

~~Be it further resolved that if the Education Standing Committee is unable to complete these tasks and deliver a recommendation to the Finance and Personnel Standing Committee by the (matching date above) the Richland County Administrator is tasked with:~~

- ~~1. Working with UW Platteville Richland Leadership to dissolve the current agreement with the Board of Regents effective June 1st 2025 to include: ending educational services, the elimination of all county funding, releasing or reassigning any county staff, preparing necessary policy changes, and appropriating or liquidating assets, grounds, equipment and facilities in the best interest of the county and under the guidance of the Finance and Personnel Committee.~~
- ~~2. Dissolve Food Service Operations effective January 1st 2024 to include the elimination of all county funding, releasing or reassigning county staff, preparing necessary policy changes, and appropriating or liquidating assets, grounds, equipment and facilities in the best interest of the county and under the guidance of the Finance and Personnel Committee.~~
- ~~3. Reducing UW Extension Office county levy to \$75,000 by 2024.~~

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

AYES _____ NOES _____

RESOLUTION _____

DEREK S. KALISH
COUNTY CLERK

DATED JULY 19th, 2022

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE
FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

		FOR	AGAINST
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