

Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: Agriculture and Extension Education Committee

Date of Meeting: February 6, 2017

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Members present: Mr. Scott Smith, Mr. Don Black, Mr. Dennis Bork and Mr. David Danzinger (remotely via conference phone).

Others present: Ms. Annie Lisowski, Ms. Mary Wood and Ms. Sonya Hansen

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 a.m. by chair, Mr. Smith.

Public Comments regarding Agenda Items: None.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding the January 9, 2017 AEEC Minutes: Motion by Mr. Bork, second by Mr. Black to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Review/Discussion/Action – WACEC Regional Meeting Update: Mr. Black reported on the presentation about the importance of Early Childhood Experiences and their life-long impacts. A discussion on the issues of child brain development, toxic stress, risk and protective factors, ensued. Ms. Wood shared some examples of the Early Years Partnership and other UW-Extension programs that support young children and their parents. She also described prevention efforts through Family Living and 4-H Youth Development programs.

Review/Discussion/Action – Memorandum of Understanding between Buffalo County Agricultural Fair Association, Inc. and Buffalo County: Ms. Lisowski explained the MOU that had previously been approved. Mr. Smith signed the MOU. Ms. Hansen expressed a desire for rules for the park use and camping. This will be addressed in a separate effort.

Ms. Lisowski shared that the MOU between the UW-Extension Office and Buffalo County Agricultural Fair Association, Inc. is on hold until April after the nEXT Generation recommendations are finalized. This was a plan previously established.

Review/Discussion/Action – Laptop/Monitor Purchase Proposal: Ms. Lisowski presented a quote from CR Solutions for a laptop, docking station and monitor. She explained that funds will be used from the Teen Court non-lapsing account. Mr. Bork motioned to approve the purchase of a Dell Laptop PC, docking station and monitor in the amount of \$1661.66 from the Teen Court funds. Second by Mr. Black. Carried.

Discussion – nEXT Generation Update: Ms. Wood and Ms. Lisowski reported that an announcement of recommendations will be made this week along with an expectation for feedback from county partners due on February 23. The nEXT Generation recommendations and link to provide feedback will be forwarded to committee members and the Administrative Coordinator as soon as it is released.

Review/Discussion/Action –Current and Future Buffalo County Educational Issues/Needs:

Ms. Lisowski refreshed the committee on discussion that was held at the last meeting regarding issues and needs. A conversation continued about resilience, economic vitality, youth, aging, caregiving, and social determinants of health. Because of the nEXT Generation process, it is difficult to determine specific goals at this time. The UWEX staff will continue to meet identified needs through educational programs and working with partners and local coalitions.

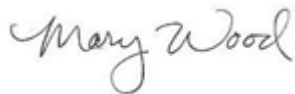
UW-Extension Agent Reports: Ms. Wood shared about the UW and Carbone Cancer Center’s Reducing Rural Health Disparities “Cancer Clear and Simple” project that she is involved with. She will be offering five-module workshops throughout the county with various partners to increase prevention, awareness and early detection of cancer. She also described the Reality Check Program financial and life choices program. Ms. Lisowski shared information about the MCYC and CFC 4-H Afterschool programs. She explained her role in hiring staff, training and coordinating the active learning programs, which serve approximately 50 youth at each site.

Review/Discussion /Action - Set next meeting date and time: February 27, 7:30 AM (Since the February 6th meeting, the next meeting date has been rescheduled to February 21, 7:45AM)

Public Comments Not Relating to the Agenda: None

Adjournment: Adjourned at 9:02 AM

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Wood".

Mary Wood
Family Living Agent