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County Board Agriculture and Extension Education Committee
MEETING NOTICE
Monday, January 20, 2020
1:00 PM
County Board Room 114
Walworth County Government Center
100 W. Walworth St., Elkhorn, Wisconsin

Dan Kilkenny, Chair Charlene Staples, Vice-Chair
Supervisor Nancy Russell Citizen Member Jennifer Straus
FSA Representative Sharon Travis Citizen Member Kathy Papcke

(Posted in compliance with Sec. 19.84 Wis. Stats.)

A quorum of the Executive, Land Conservation and Park Committees will be in attendance. It is possible that a quorum of the county board or any of its other committees could be in attendance at this meeting.

Agenda enclosures are available upon request from the County Administrator’s Office or on the County’s web page (www.co.walworth.wi.us). The agenda packet, including supporting documents, may be large, depending upon the number of enclosures. Downloading it will require ample computer memory and may take significant time.

AGENDA

Note: all agenda items are subject to action.

1. Call to order
2. Roll call of committee members
3. Agenda withdrawals, if any
4. Agenda approval
5. Approval of minutes
   a) November 18, 2019 Agriculture & Extension Education Committee (encl. p. 1)
6. Public Comment
7. Reports
   a) Educator Report-Julie Hill, Horticulture Outreach Specialist (encl. p. 2)
   b) Educator Report-Jim Versweyveld, Agriculture Extension Educator (encl. p. 3)
   c) UW-Extension outreach and educational events (encl. pp. 4-6)

Reports/announcements by Chairperson

Set/confirm next meeting date and time
   a) Monday, March 16, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Submitted by: Dan Kilkenny, Committee Chairperson
Christine Wen, Area Extension Director

Posted: January 16, 2020
Chair Kilkenny called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Roll call was conducted and all members were present: Chair Dan Kilkenny (arrived at 1:06 p.m.), Vice Chair Charlene Staples, Supervisor Nancy Russell, and Citizen Members Kathleen Papcke and Jennifer Straus. FSA Representative Sharon Travis was absent. A quorum was declared.

Others in Attendance
County staff: Area Extension Director Christine Wen; County Administrator David Bretl

On motion by Supervisor Nancy Russell, seconded by Citizen Member Kathleen Papcke, the agenda was approved by voice vote with no withdrawals.

Supervisor Russell made a motion, seconded by Citizen Member Papcke, to approve the September 9, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comment – There was none.

New Business
• Introduction of New School Representative, Jennifer Straus
  Jennifer Straus introduced herself and gave a brief overview of her background. She has been working in education for 28 years and is currently the principal of Badger High School in Lake Geneva. She expressed her excitement and appreciation to be a part of the Committee.

• Review of 2020 Extension Contract
  Area Extension Director Christine Wen referenced the 2020 contract that was included in the meeting packet. She said it has been approved as part of the 2020 County Board budget and will go through the process of implementation. The 2020 contract is the same as 2019, with a change in the fee for employees. Due to equity issues, all hired people in the counties have the same fees attached to them. This also will allow for a smooth transition if a position needs to be re-filled. Vice Chair Staples made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Russell, to approve the review of the 2020 Extension Contract. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports
• UW-Extension outreach and educational events
  These are included in the meeting packet.

Reports/announcements by Chairperson – There were none.

Confirmation of Next Meeting: Monday, January 20, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

On motion and second by Citizen Member Papcke and Vice Chair Staples, Chair Kilkenny adjourned the meeting at 1:12 p.m.

Submitted by Betsy Stanek, Administrative Assistant. Meeting minutes are not considered final until approved by the committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
Master Gardener Volunteer (MGV) Accomplishments:

- **New Online Reporting System and Training**—online database for volunteer management and recording hours
- **65 certified MGVs**
- **3,455 hours of volunteer service reported** (equivalent to value of $82,931 by Independent Sector)
- **Multiple projects throughout county**—including Lakeland Health Care Center, Lake Geneva Farmer’s Market, Walworth County Fair, Congdon Gardens, SMILES, produce donations to local food pantries, and many other local projects
- **Answering horticultural and gardening questions**—approximately 250 inquires at Walworth County Fair and 900 at Lake Geneva Farmer’s Market

Programs and Diagnostics:

- **Diagnostics**—answered over 50 questions from Walworth County homeowners (walk-ins, phone calls, emails, site visits) from July to October
- **Bringing Pollinators Home**, 2 hour workshop presented at UW-Whitewater, October 19, 2019
- **Gardening is Good for You and Your Community** presented to Williams Bay Women’s Civic League, November 12, 2019

Upcoming programs:

- **Master Gardener Level 1 Training** to certify new Master Gardener Volunteers at Walworth County Govt. Center, 14 classes held February-August (approximately 30 participants)
- **Leap Into Spring Gardening Workshop**, 3 hour workshop at UW-Whitewater, February 29 (co-instructing with Master Gardener Volunteers)
- **2020 Lakeshore Landscaper’s Workshop** at Walworth County Govt. Center, update on invasive species (jumping worms), March 17
- **Master Gardener**—Walworth County Master Gardener Volunteer Association also hosts programs (open to the public), next one is Lifelong Gardening on March 11
- **Master Gardener speaker presentations**—Lakeland Health Care Center, Friends of the Library and more to come

Professional Development:

- Currently participating in Cohort Onboarding Process for UW-Madison
- Will participate in Master Naturalist Training at Kishwaukee Nature Conservancy, July
- Past and Ongoing: Numerous monthly webinars from Urban Forestry, Extension Master Gardener, UW-Extension and others on various horticultural, Master Gardener and volunteer management topics
- Attended American Horticultural Society’s National Children Youth and Gardening Symposium, Madison, July 2019
- Attended Wisconsin First Detector Network’s Invasive Plant Roadside Management Workshop, Kenosha, July 2019
- Attended Jumping Worms Presentation by Dr. Brad Herrick from UW-Madison Arboretum, Janesville, October 2019 (information will be shared at upcoming Landscaper’s workshop)
- Extension All-Program Meeting, Madison, November 2019
Ag Extension Update – January 20, 2020
Jim Versweyveld

Programs completed (since 9/9):
- **Farm Rescues: Harvest Hazards** at Schmaling Farm in Delavan, September 30
- **Beef Cow/Calf Workshop** at Walworth County Government Center, December 3
- **USDA Farm Bill (Mycotoxins)** at Walworth County Government Center, December 4
- **Resilient Farms Conference** at Wisconsin Dells, December 12

Upcoming programs:
- **Cultivating Your Farm’s Future** at Walworth County Govt. Center, January 21
- **Guest Lecturer- Farm & Industry Short Course**, UW Madison 1/27, 1/29, 2/12, 3/2
- **Pesticide Applicator Certification** at Walworth County Govt. Center, February 6
- **Cattle Feeder’s Clinic** at Jefferson County Government Center, February 26
- **Youth for the Quality Care of Animals** at Walco Govt. Center, March 10 & April 2
- **Heart of the Farm – Women in Agriculture** at TBD, April 18
- **4-H Ag Technology Days** at County Fairgrounds, May 19
- **Youth Tractor Safety Certification** at Burlington High School, June 15-18

Curriculum Development:
- Cultivating Your Farm’s Future – SWOT Analysis
- Livestock Trailer Emergency Response
- Becoming The Employer of Choice – Farm Culture Survey, Safety & Health Module

Events: World Dairy Expo, October 1-5; Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin, November 7; Wisconsin Outstanding Young Farmers Conference, January 24

Professional Development:
- Beef Quality Assurance, Train-the-Trainer, October 7, Stevens Point, WI
- Youth for the Quality Care of Animals, October 28, Webinar
- Pest Mgt. in Wisconsin Field Crops, November 6, Janesville, WI
- Extension All-Program Meeting, November 18-19, Madison, WI
- Hemp Boot Camp, November 21, Webinar

Articles Published:
- Farm Safety: Avoiding Slips, Trips & Falls Dec. 15, 2019, Wisconsin State Farmer
- Is Your Operation Ready for Winter? December 2019, Wisconsin Agriculturalist
- Press Release: Getting Unstuck! Nov. 26, 2019, Wisconsin State Farmer & Agri-View

Upcoming articles:
- March 2020, Wisconsin Agriculturalist, Interviewing Dairy Farm Workers
- April 2020, Farm Mgt. Topic Hub, Farm Business Strategic Planning
CULTIVATING
YOUR FARM’S FUTURE

FARM SUCCESSION AND ESTATE PLANNING WORKSHOPS

Having intentional conversations around farm succession and developing future plans for the farm provides a better chance of transition success.

AGENDA

9:30 a.m.  Coffee, refreshments, check-in
10:30 a.m. Resource presentations
   » Tax implications around farm succession
   » Retirement resources
   » USDA Farm Service Agency loan programs
   » Business plans
   » Estate planning tools – wills and trusts
   » Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) analysis
12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m.  Q&A with all Resource Speakers
1:30 p.m.  Individual meetings with Resource Speakers
2:30 p.m.  Evaluations/Adjourn

For additional information or to register, please contact: Jim Versweyveld, Extension Walworth County agriculture educator at 262-741-4951 or jim.versweyveld@wisc.edu.

NEXT WORKSHOP

January 21, 2020
9:30am – 2:30pm

Walworth County Government Center
100 W. Walworth St.
Elkhorn, WI 53121

Cost: $20 per person

Registration includes lunch, refreshments, speakers and workshop materials.

LEARN MORE AT FARMS.EXTENSION.WISC.EDU/PROGRAMS/CULTIVATING
2020 TRAINING & TESTING SESSIONS

Thursday, February 6, 2020
Walworth County Government Center
100 W. Walworth Street, Room 214
Elkhorn, WI 53121

Wednesday, February 12, 2020
Kenosha County Center
19600 75th Street
Bristol, WI 53104

TRAINING & TESTING SCHEDULE:
9:00 AM: Registration
9:15 AM – Noon: Training
12:00 - 12:45 PM: Coffee/Snack/Lunch
(lunch provided)
1PM: Testing period

You may attend trainings in any county.

Greenhouse/Nursery or Fruit Crops Categories

Get certified for Greenhouse/Nursery or Fruit crops.
The only option for fruit crops and greenhouse/nursery is self-study or attending the general private applicator training.

Textbooks for fruit crops and greenhouse/nursery can be purchased online at www.patstore.wisc.edu.

PLEASE NOTE:
Due to Department of Agriculture regulations, identification will be required the day of the training and testing session. Please bring a state photo I.D., or driver’s license, with you.

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REGISTRATION FORM

NAME______________________________
ADDRESS____________________________
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CITY______________________________
STATE _____________________________
ZIP _______________________________
*PHONE____________________________
EMAIL: ____________________________

*Please provide us with a phone number where we can reach you on the day of the program in case we need to cancel due to weather conditions.

Session You Are Registering For:

__ Thursday, February 6
Walworth County

__ Wednesday, February 12
Kenosha/Racine Counties

Category:

__ General Farm
__ Fruit Crop
__ Greenhouse/Nursery

WHO SHOULD BE A CERTIFIED PRIVATE APPLICATOR?

If you or your employees purchase, mix, or apply "Restricted Use" pesticides in Wisconsin, you MUST be certified to do so. Certification is valid for 5 years.

PRE-REGISTRATION

- Applicators must sign-up for a class and pick up class textbooks at least one week prior to the class.

- Applicators may register and pay at any UW-Extension Office (Racine, Kenosha or Walworth).

COST

The fee for the book and license is $30.

THE TEST

The certification test will be given in the afternoon of the class. The textbook may be used as a reference during the test.

Those participating in the training and testing session must have a score of 50% or better to pass. Those who choose the self-study option must have a score of 70% or better to pass.

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