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**Florence County UW-Extension Education Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday May 21, 2018 – 5:30 PM
Florence Natural Resource Center - Lower Level - New Conference Room**

Members Present

Supervisors: Holly Wahlstrom Stratton – Chair, Joe Mills – Vice Chair, Jeanette Bomberg and Susan Theer

Members Excused

Larry Neuens

Others Present

Area Extension Director – Steve Nelson
4H/Youth Development Educator – Meg Dallapiazza
FoodWise Educator – Jeanne Richard
Human Development & Relationships Educator – Tierany Rugg
Office Manager – Sabrina Leffler
Summer Horticulture Assistant – Autumn Lambert
Fair Board – Steve Kurtz and Billie Nowicki

Call To Order/Roll Call

Steve Nelson, AED, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. He reported that all Committee members were present with the exception of Supervisor Neuens who is excused.

UW-Extension Area Director – Conduct Election of Chairman

Steve Nelson called for nomination for Chairman of the UW-Extension Committee. Supervisor Theer moved that Holly Wahlstrom Stratton be Chairman. It was seconded by Supervisor Bomberg. Steve Nelson called three times for any other nominations. There were none. It was unanimously carried to have Holly Wahlstrom Stratton be Chairman of the UW-Extension Committee.

Elected Chairman – Conduct Election of Vice-Chairman

Chairman Wahlstrom Stratton called for nominations for Vice-Chairman of the UW-Extension Committee. Supervisor Bomberg moved that Joe Mills be Vice-Chairman. It was seconded by Supervisor Theer. Chairman Wahlstrom Stratton called three times for any other nominations. There were none. It was unanimously carried to have Joe Mills be Vice-Chairman of the UW-Extension Committee.

Approval of Agenda

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to approve the Agenda supported by Supervisor Theer. Ayes: Four (4). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes UWEX Committee Meeting

Supervisor Theer made a motion to approve the March 19, 2018 UW-Extension Committee Meeting minutes, supported by Supervisor Bomberg. Ayes: Four (4). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes UWEX Summer 4H Intern Interview

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to approve the April 3, 2018 UW-Extension Committee Meeting minutes, supported by Supervisor Theer. Ayes: Four (4). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes UWEX Summer Horticulture Assistant Interview

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to approve the April 24, 2018 UW-Extension Committee Meeting minutes, supported by Dallapiazza. Ayes: Four (4). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Approval of Bills – Discussion and/or Action

Supervisor Theer made a motion to approve the Bills, supported by Supervisor Mills. Ayes: Four (4). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Training and Expenses – Discussion and/or Action

None

Fair Board Update – Discussion and/or Action

Steve is filling in for Jessica. He said there has been discussion on the lawn mowing. It has always been hired out in the past and they are not wanting to do that anymore. They have some volunteers that are able to do some of it but they have been hoping that the Highway Department and/or Forestry and Parks would be able to help or be able to use their equipment. Jeanette said that both of those departments are unable to take care of the lawn. It was also stated that there is a program offered through Toro every year gives away mowers. Steve is going to look into this.

Purchasing the Land Next to the Fairgrounds – Discussion and/or Action

Steve handed out a map of the property they are looking to purchase. They offered \$12,000 and the owner countered \$12,761.00.

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to send this offer on to Audit & Budget, supported by Supervisor Theer. Ayes: Four (4). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Personnel – Introduction of Human Development and Relationships Educator, Summer Intern and Summer Horticulture Assistant

Tierany Rugg is our new Human Development and Relationships Educator. Logan Doll is our new Summer 4H Intern and Autumn Lambert is our Summer Horticulture Assistant.

UW-Extension Area Director's Report

Steve reported that the state has launched a statewide situational analysis and this will be done May, June and July. They want to see what the areas look like and what are their major needs. They are going to be reaching out to the County Board Chairs with questions on Extensions roll and what are the issues in the community. There is a position prioritization process going on. It doesn't currently affect Florence County because we currently have all positions filled. There has been a request by counties for more positions than what the state can fund.

WACEC Updates – Discussion and/or Action

Holly provided an update on WACEC and their discontent about the support they are receiving from UW Extension administration.

Activation of Task Force Committee – Discussion and/or Action

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to approve the activation of the Task Force Committee, supported by Supervisor Theer. Ayes: Four (4). Nays: None (0). Motion carried.

Educator Reports

Sabrina reported we had 171 registered for the Sustainable Forestry Conference, 13 no shows, 6 walk-ins for a total of 164 total participants. She also handed out the evaluation from the conference.

Meg reported that TORPEDOs wraps up their final day tomorrow. Last Thursday was the "Keeping It Real" Program. There were 12 youth and their parents that participated along with 3 high school TORPEDO members and several community partners that worked together to put this program on.

Jeanne reported that she shared information about “Cooking for One or Two” at the senior meal sights. She gave them a handout on how to cut recipes in half. She has finished up her programing at the Elementary School and had 31 participants in 3rd grade, 28 participants in 4th grade and 30 participants in 6th grade.

Tierany reported that she has been networking within Florence County to diagnose community needs. Meg and Jeanne have been a huge help in taking her around and introducing her to people in our community. She has narrowed her programing down to Strong Bones, Personal finance/money management, Parents Forever and Strengthening Families.

All reports are on file at the UW-Extension office.

Public Comment

None

Future Agenda Items

None

Next Meeting Date

Monday, July 16, 2018 at 5:30pm.

There being no further business and on a motion made, seconded, and carried the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sabrina Leffler
Office Manager