



Extension

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FLORENCE COUNTY

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Extension Florence County Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 22, 2024 – 4:00 PM

Florence Natural Resource Center - Lower Level - NEW Conference Room

Members Present

Supervisors: Susan Theer - Chair, Matt Brunette-Vice Chair, Jeanette Bomberg, and Fran Modschiedler

Members Excused

Rich Wolosyn

Others Present

Office Manager – Jane Lindow

Area Extension Director – Amber Rehberg

4-H Program Educator – Maria Bournoville

FoodWise Educator – Jeanne Richard

Human Development & Relationships Educator – Tierany Rugg

4-H AmeriCorps Member – Morgan Tomczak

FoodWise Administrator– Terri Kolb

Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairwoman Theer called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. She reported that all Committee members were present except for Supervisor Wolosyn who is excused.

Approval of Agenda

Supervisor Brunette made a motion to approve the agenda, supported by Supervisor Modschiedler.

Motion carried, with all voting “Aye” on a voice vote.

Approval of Minutes Extension Committee Meeting

Supervisor Modschiedler made a motion to approve the November 20, 2023, Extension Committee Meeting minutes, supported by Supervisor Brunette. Motion carried, with all voting “Aye” on a voice vote.

Public Comment

Lindow received the WCA 2024 Scholarship package. She scanned it and sent it to the Florence High School guidance counselor and to Maria Bournoville to share with the students. *This packet is on file at the UW-Extension office.*

Fair Board Update

None

Approval of the Bills – Discussion and/or Action

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to approve and send the bills onto the Audit & Budget Committee, supported by Supervisor Brunette. Motion carried, with all voting “Aye” on a voice vote.

Training and Expenses – Discussion and/or Action

Supervisor Brunette made a motion to approve the travel report, supported by Supervisor Modschiedler.

Motion carried, with all voting “Aye” on a voice vote. *This report is on file at the UW-Extension office.*

Summer Hires

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to approve the revised job descriptions for the 4-H Summer Intern and the Summer Horticulture Assistant LTE positions and forward them on to the Personnel Committee for final adoption. Motion was supported by Supervisor Modschiedler. Motion carried, with all voting “Aye” on a voice vote.

Supervisor Modschiedler made a motion to advertise and interview for the 4-H Summer Intern and the Summer Horticulture Assistant LTE positions and to send them to the Personnel Committee for final approval. The motion was supported by Supervisor Brunette. The application deadline will be 2/21/24 or until the position is filled. Motion carried, with all voting “Aye” on a voice vote.

AED Extension Update/Report

Supervisor Bomberg made a motion to approve the signed 2024 136 Contract with UW Madison-Division of Extension. Motion was supported by Supervisor Brunette. Motion carried, with all voting “Aye” on a voice vote.

Rehberg introduced Morgan Tomczak, our half-time 4-H AmeriCorps Member. Morgan will be helping Maria fill the gap in programming for 3rd-8th grades. The focus for AmeriCorps will be building a 4-H After School Program for 3rd-6th grades, helping with summer programming and youth involvement with the County Fair. This is a grant funded position with 900 hours of service. Morgan started 1/16/24 and will be with us until August 23, 2024. Most of this position is state funded. Florence County will support \$500 through the 4-H Educator FY2024 Budget. As the year progresses, we will evaluate how this position is working and be mindful of the sustainability and impact of the new programming.

Rehberg is in the process of doing annual reviews of educators. If anyone has any input or concerns and/or is aware of any needs that are not being met in the county, please contact Amber Rehberg or Jason Hausler to ensure your requests are heard and addressed.

Fran excused at 4:22 PM

Educator Reports

A new combined written report from all educators was handed out. Richard, Rugg & Bournoville gave verbal reports to the Committee. *This report is on file at the UW-Extension office.*

Sustainable Forestry Conference - Information only

Lindow reported that financial support is starting to come in. The Steering Committee is currently working on securing speakers and times. I am working on Save The Date cards, updating forms, and the brochure.

Future Agenda Items

None

Next Meeting Dates

Interview date – Thursday, February 29, 2024

Monday, March 18, 2024

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 5:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Lindow

Office Manager