

Washington Council Extension Council Minutes
Regular Meeting Date: April 15, 2019

Called to Order by **Kathy Ebert** at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call Kathy Ebert, Ann Williams, Margaret Brinning, Donna Palmer, Dave Erwin, Sue Janecek, Dennis Lampe, Rhonda Clough

Others: Gene Mohling, Nancy Adrian, Amy Green, Rebecca Vittetoe, Diane Rinner

Absent: Duane Hammen,

Rebecca Vittetoe, Agronomist, Update: shared program initiatives, the Crops Team, and future program plans including the youth leadership program at the research farm in September.

Diane Rinner presented on Ag in the Classroom and provided an introduction including her background, family and teaching history. She shared futures plans for onboarding the program with starting an ag 4-H club. **Ann Williams moved to approve that Diane Rinner attend the Little Rock, Arkansas, ag conference in June 19-21. 2nd by Rhonda Clough Carried unanimously. Pay is set at \$14 per hour with no over time.**

Minutes: **Ann Williams** moved to approve the March 18 minutes. 2nd by Margaret Brinning Carried unanimously.

Auditing Report/Vouchers: The auditing report and vouchers were reviewed by Donna Palmer.

Ann Williams moved to approve the **Extension Operating vouchers**, numbered 3409-3469. 2nd by Rhonda Clough Carried unanimously

Ann Williams to accept the Extension **Operating Checking Account Reconciliation** with a balance of \$278,115.13 and the cash box balance of \$20. 2nd by Rhonda Clough. Carried unanimously. Receipts and deposits reviewed by Donna Palmer and Margaret Brinning. Council will ask a volunteer (not associated with financials) to review outstanding checks and receipts.

List of Volunteers: Margaret Brinning moved to approve the list of volunteers (Erin McGuire). 2nd by Donna Palmer Carried unanimously

Margaret Brinning moved approve Diane Rinner for a VISA card upon completion of her employment packet. 2nd by Ann Williams Carried unanimously

Donna Palmer moved to change the requirements for eligibility for State Fair static exhibits to a limit of 3 regardless of project area (only restriction is one photography project) 2nd by Ann Williams Carried unanimously

Sue Janecek moved to approve the withdrawal of \$1015 from the Endowment fund. 2nd by Rhonda Clough Carried unanimously Funds came from the winter county fair raffle.

23 out of 26 4-H club accounts have been turned in. Total of \$27, 597 plus \$10,000 in 6 CD's.

Office Report –news releases, meeting schedule, planning & prep, Extension programs.
Program Up-Date Report: Nancy provided a written report on programs such as IDALS testing, Chamber of Commerce Leadership ag program, VITA, Women Marketing Grain, Manure

Certification, late season PPAT's, plus other upcoming events. Women in Ag Conference was March 23, BQA program, Beginning Young Farmer program. The spring IJBBA with the pancake breakfast to be held April 20. Office volunteers have provided 53 hours since January 1, 2019.

Enrollment Data and Activities Report from Amy Green:

- 4th -12th = 397, K-3rd = 168, 8 clover kid clubs, 17 4-H traditional community clubs
- Current Specialty Clubs: Clover Cookers Club, Kids in the Kitchen, 1 STEM Club

Partial listing of events:

3/21/19: Youth Outreach Educator Interviews – 4 interviewed

3/22/19: Horse and Pony Club took 2 teams to State 4-H Hippology Contest (1st in a long time)

3/23/19: Production Swine Weigh-in

3/25/19: Leadership Development #1

4/3/19: Region 20 CYC Meeting in Donnelson & Fair Entry Work Day

4/5/19: Planning session with Youth Outreach Educator – Diane Rinner

4/6/19: 4-H Spring Project Extravaganza

4/20/19 = Pancake Breakfast; 4/20/19 = Spring Preview Open Cattle Show; 4/20/19 = Horse Hitch Clinic (2 sessions) ; 4/22/19 = County Council/ Leadership Development #2; 4/27/19 = Group travel to ISU Agronomy Day; 4/27/19 = Clover Cookers 4-H Club; 5/2/19 = Goat Weigh-in; 5/4/19 = Sheep Weigh-in; 5/9/19 = 4hOnline Animal Entry Help Night

Nicole Stoutner will lead the summer camps program. Katie Palmer will be the summer intern.

Nancy Adrian among other staff met with John Lawrence on April 2 in Iowa City. SE Iowa area meeting to be held September 10. Trash pickup provider has changed to a business in Henry County.

IECA Update – State Conference, March 30, 125 attendees

Wages for FY 2020 & Performance Review Update: Dennis Lampe moved to increase wages \$.25/hour 2nd by Donna Palmer Carried 7-1 (Williams nay)

Adjournment: Dennis Lampe moved to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. 2nd by Rhonda Clough Carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be held June 17.

Sue Janecek, Secretary