

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

**Clark County Ag & Extension Education Committee Meeting
Monday, August 12, 2019
Clark County Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville
10:00 a.m.**

MINUTES

- I. Chairman Randy Sebesta called the Clark County Ag & Extension Committee to order at 10:00 a.m.
- II. Present were Ag & Extension Committee members: Randy Sebesta, Fritz Garbisch, Art Petke, Bryce Luchterhand, Noel Olson, and UW-Extension Staff: Richard Halopka, Melissa Kono, Nancy Vance, Christine Hollar, Brenda Fierke, Judith Hasse, Lori Hendrickson, and Jason Hausler (AED).
- III. Art Petke moved to approve the minutes from July 8, 2019. Seconded by Fritz Garbisch. Motion carried.
- IV. Finances
 - A. Voucher list was distributed and discussed. Fritz Garbisch moved to approve the vouchers from July 1 – 31, 2019. Seconded by Art Petke. Motion carried.
 - B. Financial report was distributed and discussed. Fritz Garbisch moved to approve the financial report from June 1 – 30, 2019 and July 1 - 31, 2019. Seconded by Art Petke. Motion carried.
- V. General Office
 - A. AED Update – Jason Hausler
He is presenting at county board on Thursday.
The budget has been submitted for Extension Clark County.
There is an “All Colleague” meeting on November 18 – 20 in Madison.
Branding has been approved for letterhead, etc.
Reported on new staff – Mark Hagedorn is the specialist and located in Eau Claire.
 - B. Discuss and Possible Motion of Action for 2020 Budget
Jason shared the budget report with the committee. There is a decrease in insurance and increase for all agent registration fees / tuition.
Meeting with Finance Committee on September 9 at 2:00 p.m.
Motion made by Bryce Luchterhand to approve the budget as proposed, seconded by Noel. All in favor. Motion carried.

C. FTD Update – Richard Halopka and Randy Sebesta
On July 24 six committee members went to to Jefferson County FTD.
Two new people joined the executive committee.
Richard approached some farmers at the Clark County Fair regarding being a host site; committee would like a farm that is “cutting edge”
Next meeting is Monday, August 19, 4:30 p.m. at ADS in Greenwood.
Richard would like to see Extension education at the 2022 event.
They are hoping the get the Mennonite community more involved

D. FoodWise Update – Brenda Fierke
Brenda shared information on a recent FoodWise nutrition education program at the senior Farmers' Market voucher distribution. She also reported on a new partnership with Ascension/Stanley Hospital and food pantry managers. FoodWise provided a program/recipe demonstration for pantry participants.

VI. Fairboard Liaison Report
Donations for the Revitalization of the Fairgrounds building is close to \$500,000
The consensus on why the Owen Horse group did not participate was due to 4-H requirements (classes, etc.).

VII. Agent Reports
A. Chris Hollar, Positive Youth Development Educator
1. Past and present programs
B. Richard Halopka, Crops and Soils Educator
1. Past and present program
C. Fritz Garbisch moved to approve the agent reports. Seconded by Noel Olson.
Motion carried.

VIII. Enter into Closed Session: Performance of 4-H Youth Development Educator
Art Petke moved to enter into closed session, seconded by Fritz Garbisch.

Roll Call Vote:

Randy Sebesta - yes
Fritz Garbisch - yes
Noel Olson - yes
Art Petke - yes
Bryce Luchterhand - yes

Entered into closed session at 11:45 a.m.

Bryce Luchterhand moved to come out of closed session, seconded by Fritz Garbisch.

Roll Call Vote:

Randy Sebesta - yes
Fritz Garbisch - yes
Noel Olson - yes
Art Petke - yes
Bryce Luchterhand - yes

Returned to open session at 12:05 p.m.

IX. Dog Damage
A. Discuss and/or act on dog damage claims - none

- X. Future Meetings
 - A. Monday, September 9, / 9:30 a.m. / Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville
 - B. Monday, October 14, / 9:30 a.m. / Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville
 - C. Monday, November 11 / 9:30 a.m. / Courthouse Auditorium, Neillsville

- XI. Announcements

Bryce Luchterhand shared with committee members a handout regarding WCA and would like to add to the September agenda.

He also mentioned that there are CAFO statewide hearings on August 19 in Eau Claire and August 20 in Wausau if anyone is interested in attending.

- XII. Art Petke moved to adjourn. Seconded by Fritz Garbisch. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.