

AGENDA
Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting
810 Lincoln St, Kewaunee, WI
Wednesday, January 2, 2019
8:30 AM

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes of December 12, 2018 (Attached)
5. Citizen Input
6. Educators Reports – Written
7. Dog Damage.
8. Department Head/Area Director Report
9. Travel Requests
10. Review and Set Future Committee Meeting Dates.
11. Adjournment

The Committee welcomes all visitors to listen and observe, but only Committee members and those invited to speak will be permitted to do so. Persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to attend or participate should contact the County Administrator's Office at (920) 388-7164 prior to the meeting so that accommodations may be arranged.

A majority of the members of the County Board of Supervisors or any of its committees including: Finance & Public Property, Personnel, Advisory & Legislative, Health, Child Support, & Veterans Service, Human Services, Aging Services Unit Advisory, Extension Education, County Farm, & Zoning, Law Enforcement & Emergency Management, Land & Water Conservation, Highway & Solid Waste, Promotion & Recreation, and others may be present at this meeting to listen, observe, and participate. If a majority of any such committee is present, their presence constitutes a "meeting" under the Open Meeting Law as interpreted in *State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village Board*, 173 Wis. 2d 553 (1993), even though the visiting body will take no action at this meeting.

MINUTES

Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting December 12, 8:30 P.M. Kewaunee County Administration Center Committee Room

Minutes

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting called to order by Chairman Tom Romdenne at 8:30 AM
2. **Roll Call** - Committee members present: Tom Romdenne, Gary Paape, Mary-Ellen Dobbins, Chuck Wagner. Educators present: Aerica Bjurstrom, Jill Jorgensen, Renee Koenig. Also present: Rob Burke, Area Extension Director.
3. **Approve Minutes:** Motion by Dobbins, second by Wagner to approve the agenda and approve the minutes of November 7, 2018. Carried
4. **Citizen Input.** None
- 5: **Dog damage** – none to report.
6. **Educator Reports.** Aerica reported that the Finance committee approved the Dana Farm/Winter Park Project. It goes to the full board in January. Changes are coming to Farm Technology Days Statewide. There has been some difficulty finding sponsor counties. Kewaunee's FTD grants will be announced soon. The total is expected to be around \$250,000. Jill noted that rural family mental health promotion is also a major programming target for the youth/4-H program. Sometimes framed as resiliency, anti-bullying, building self-esteem, and leadership training. Renee discussed mental health and managing farm family mental health. January 9 in Kiel is the date for a UW-Extension program on this subject. One of the most difficulty aspects of this issue is getting families themselves to discuss it and seek assistance when needed.
7. **Area Director** Burke reviewed the agent contract for 2019 with the committee. Motion by Gary, second by Mary-Ellen to approve of the contract and forward it to the County Administrator for signing. Burke also reported that in early 2019 UW-Madison will roll out new logos (branding) for Extension programs. This will not affect programming.
8. **Travel requests** – None.
9. **Set Future Committee Meetings:** January 2, 2019 8:30 AM; February 13, 2019 8:30 AM
10. **Adjournment.** Motion by Mary-Ellen, seconded by Gary to adjourn, all aye, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 AM.

Respectfully Submitted



Rob Burke, Area Extension Director
12/26/18

Aerica Bjurstrom
Agriculture Agent
Prepared for January 2, 2019

Beef Quality Assurance - I am a certified National Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) trainer, and held a meeting in Kewaunee County in December. Starting January 1, 2019, Tyson Foods is requiring all their producers to have completed BQA. Seven people attended the training on December 13. Dairy farmers don't need to take BQA if they have completed an equivalent program required by their milk processor. Due to consumer demands, more meat processors will continue to require BQA, so I will be holding more meetings throughout 2019.

All-Colleague Conference – Attended the all-colleague conference in Madison. The meeting included pre-conference meetings that included association and faculty/academic staff meetings. The conference was a summary of the status of UW-Extension and the reorganization process. Program area and team meetings wrapped up the conference. We had the opportunity to add input to the team organization structure and program planning in 2019.

Program Planning/Writing – met with two colleagues in eastern Wisconsin to develop a new program in 2019 focusing on marketing cull cows. The program will consist of a set of fact sheets and presentations focusing on marketing healthy cows for slaughter. The program will focus on the health, mobility, and body condition of a cull cow for optimal marketability.

Other programs in the planning stage for 2019 are manure applicators training, pesticide applicators training, beef cow/calf meetings, and a forage meeting. I have also set the date for Conservation Day and the date for Rural Safety Day is set. I have already secured speakers for several of the stations for Rural Safety Day.

I will be holding a Master Gardener training in 2019, which is a 13-week training including at-home self-taught classes and hands-on classes/labs. I am currently working on securing guest speakers for some of the hands-on classes. The class on soil quality will be held at a farm and include a session in a soil pit. The soil pit will be already dug for Conservation Day the next day, so the coordination process to combine both events into one site on different days takes pre-planning.

I am organizing the youth dairy tour in 2019. Every year the 4-H dairy youth in Kewaunee County take a field trip to a local farm or business. The group will be visiting the Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center and Siemers Holsteins in Manitowoc County in April. This tour is often opened to any farmer in Kewaunee County who would like to attend.

I wrote three articles for publications in December. Two for the Wisconsin Agriculturist and one for the Dairy Partner/El Companero. Writing scholarly articles for publications is an excellent way for UW-Extension to disseminate research results or other farm management research/advice. I also occasionally write for Hoard's Dairyman and the Wisconsin Cattlemen's Association newsletter. The Cattlemen's newsletters and Wisconsin Agriculturist articles are often picked up and published online for other association or affiliated newsletters or online publications.

Farm Technology Days – Continued work with the Farm Technology Days Executive Committee to establish community projects. Community projects will hopefully be in progress in 2019 and available to community members by late in the year.

Reporting – Reported and summarized 2018 my programming in 2018.

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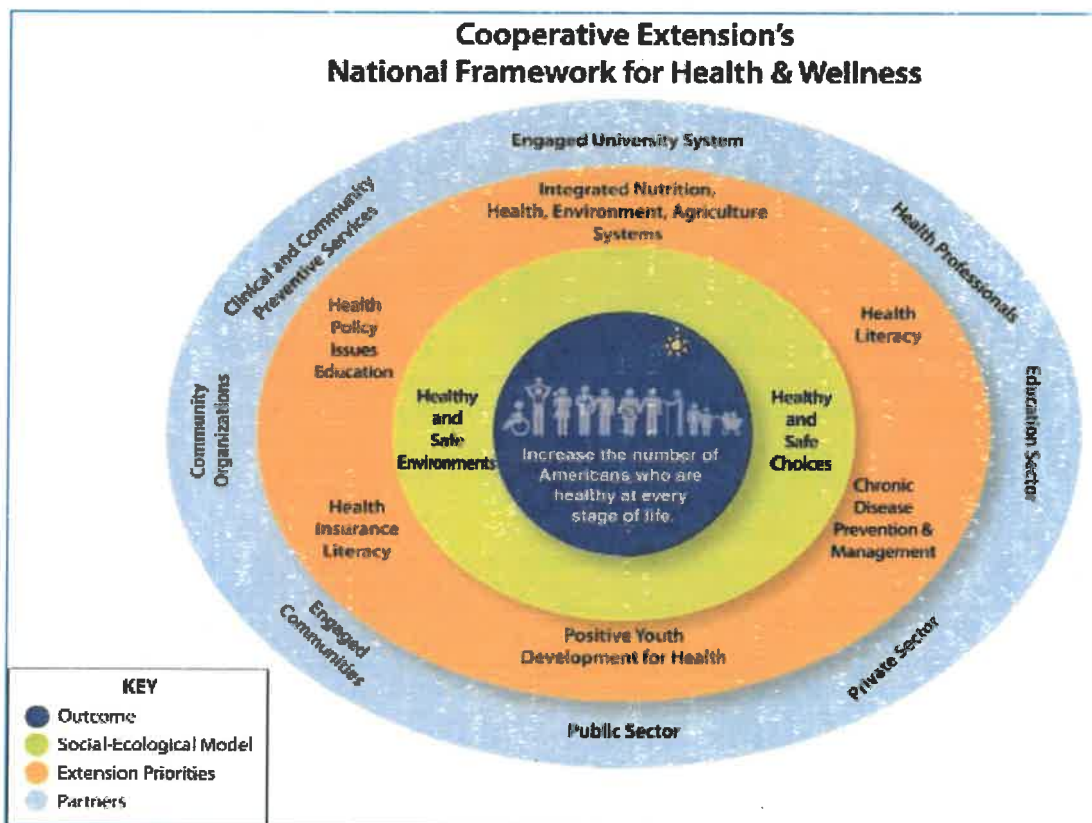
Renee Koenig
Associate Professor, Family Living Educator
University of Wisconsin-Extension

Report for January 2019

This time of year is dedicated to reporting and recording results of educational programs in 2018. My program results and outcomes are entered into a sophisticated statewide reporting system.

I am also developing my “plan of work” for 2019. Educators must submit plans prior to February 1, 2019. These plans outline our educational strategies in response to local needs. In the planning process, I create a logic model which includes a situational analysis and priority setting process for identifying needs and programs to improve outcomes for families and individuals.

The following framework has been used nationally to portray some of the educational priorities and partnerships that lead to thriving and resilient community members. The educational programs and community partnerships that I am involved with in Kewaunee County are interwoven in this framework.



You will also notice in 2019 that the title “Family Living Educator” has been changed to “Human Development & Relationship Educator” by the University leaders.