

**MINUTES**  
**Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting**  
**County Board Room**  
**810 Lincoln St, Kewaunee, WI**  
**Wednesday, March 10, 2021**  
**8:30 AM**

1. Call to Order. Chair Romdenne called meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
2. Roll Call. Present: Supervisor Paape, Supervisor Romdenne, Supervisor Wagner. Educators Aerica Bjurstrom, Jill Jorgenson, Renee Koenig, and Interim Area Extension Director Judy Knudsen. Chair Romdenne announced the committee will have a new member joining in April.
3. Approval of Agenda. Motion made by Supervisor Wagner and seconded by Supervisor Paape to approve the agenda of the March 10, 2021 meeting.
4. Review/Approval of Minutes of the February 3, 2021 meeting. Motion made by Supervisor Paape and seconded by Supervisor Wagner to approve minutes of this meeting. Motion carried all voting aye.
5. Public Input. No input.
6. Educators Reports – Written/Narrative/Q/A (VIA REMOTE/ZOOM)
  - a. Aerica Bjurstrom reported she is working on a research project focusing on the Phenotype of Dairy Beef cross calves. She was able to collect data on the first 25 calves at a farm in Kewaunee County. Two researchers from UW-Madison were also present and collected 3-D images of the calves for later use. The group will return to the farm in April to reweigh and measure the calves. In the meantime, I plan to enroll more calves in the project from the same farm and another one in the county.
  - b. Renee Koenig shared information regarding of what a day entails of providing education and support to families along with sharing quality Extension materials for families with organizations and businesses in Kewaunee County serving families.
  - c. Jill Jorgenson shared as of April 1, 2021 guidance will be enacted allowing larger groups to gather. She provided an update on conversations being held by the statewide Fair Advisory Board in which she is a member. Identified a need for better communication among the organizations serving on this advisory committee.
7. Department Head/Area Director Report – Judy Knudsen
  - a. Extension Updates.
    - Supervisors serving as chairs of Door and Manitowoc Agriculture and Extension Committees will serve on the Wisconsin Extension Association

(WEXA) Board of Directors representing a region that includes Kewaunee County.

- Discussed the proposed funding by Governor Evers for additional Extension Educators focusing on agriculture.
- b. Door/Kewaunee Legislative Days. Issues have been collected and reviewed. Event is scheduled for April 7 and 8, 2021. Three school districts in the two counties as well as 4-H have interested youth.
8. Review and Set Future Committee Meeting Dates. April 14, 2021 and May 5, 2021 are dates for upcoming committee meetings. The April 14, 2021 meeting will be held at the Kewaunee Highway Shop.
9. Adjourn: Motion made by Supervisor Wagner and seconded by Supervisor Paape to adjourn meeting at 9:07 a.m. Motion carried all voting aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Knudsen

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.

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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.