

Richland County Agriculture and Extension Education Committee
Meeting Minutes
April, 11 2018 - 9:00 a.m.
Room 713, Extension Office, East Hall, UW-Richland

Present: Brewer, Kinney, Marshall, Sebranek, Williamson, Craddock, Hady, Saxe, Wunnicke
Public: Isabela Castaneda

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Brewer at 9:00 a.m.
- II. Saxe gave proof of notification
- III. Motion by Sebranek, seconded by Kinney, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- IV. Motion by Marshall, seconded by Williamson to approve the minutes of previous meeting as published. Motion carried
- V. There was no Public Input.
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - a. Get Real – Update: Wunnicke reported on the Get Real event held on March, 21, 2018 at the Richland Center High School. There were over 200 students and 100 volunteers that took part in the program.
 - b. nEXT Generation – Saxe gave updates of hiring in Area 13. There was some discussion on hiring prioritization and state funding for vacant and interim positions.
- VII. New Business
 - a. All Colleague & JCEP Conference – A request from the agents in the office to attend a combined conference in Wisconsin Dells April 30-May 2. Motion by Sebranek, second by Marshall, to approve the request. Motion Carried.
 - b. Interim 4-H Coordinator Position – There was discussion regarding the fiscal status of Cooperative Extension budget at the State level and how that could potentially impact the 4-H Youth Development position in Richland County. The committee agreed to have Chair Marty Brewer send a letter to the Dean of Cooperative Extension, stressing the county's need for a 100% full time 4-H position, and to make the transition from the interim position to a regular position a high priority.
 - c. Report to County Board – Brewer indicated that there are eight new members on the county board. There was discussion to add a short presentation on the overview UWEX to the full board in addition to basic report. We will report to the county board at the May 15th meeting
 - d. Recognition of Service – Hady gave recognition to members of the Committee whose terms on the committee have expired: Paul Kinney, Marilyn Marshall, and Larry Sebranek
- VIII. Out of County Requests - Motion by Kinney, seconded by Marshall, to approve out of county requests. Motion carried.
- IX. No purchases over \$1,000.
- X. Office, Agent, Soils, Program and Pesticide accounts – Motion by Kinney, seconded by Marshall, to recommend payment of all accounts. Motion carried.
- XI. Agent Report – Craddock gave a summary on the Tufts University Study on the impact 4-H has on youth development. Craddock also gave an update on current and upcoming 4-H events.
- XII. Next meeting date is Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 9 a.m.
- XIII. Motion to adjourn by Kinney and seconded by Marshall. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 10:08 am

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Adam A. Hady