

**UW Extension, Arts and Culture Committee
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
March 25, 2010**

Members present: Judy Ashford, Donna Stehling, Lester Wiese, Pete Tollaksen, Marcy Huffaker, Al Anderson

Guests Present: None

UWEX Staff Present: Sue Nagelkerk, Danielle Varney, Jenny Erickson, Judy Gurgel

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chair Ashford.

Certification of Open Meeting Notice

Requirements of the Open Meeting Law were met.

Approval of Agenda Amended

Motion made by Tollaksen, second by Wiese to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

Motion made by Huffaker, second by Tollaksen to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 25, 2010. Motion carried.

Public Comment None

Communications

Hwy 33 Scenic Road - Nagelkerk shared a new website: charley@scenicwisconsin.org
Thank you letters for our continued support from "Honors Band Program" were communicated.
Al Ringling invited our committee to use the Theater for our April or May meeting. The committee plans to meet at the Al Ringling Theatre for our May 27th meeting.

SAUK COUNTY UW EXTENSION

Monthly Report/Review and Approval of Vouchers (UW Extension)

A motion was made by Tollaksen, second by Huffaker to approve the vouchers for the month of February in the amount of \$3,391.67. Motion carried.

Agent Monthly Reports

Danielle Varney, WNEP Coordinator reported on her 2011 planning process. It is important to collaborate with a cost share program since it is federally funded. Food Share eligible programs such as schools and food pantries are good educational opportunities as well.

Jenny Erickson, Community Resource Development Agent – Erickson described an example of her work with the local government (Emergency Medical Service Survey for Reedsburg/Baraboo). Her role in extension is to be neutral and research based for studies. Erickson shared the UW College and UW-Extension Annual Report with Committee.

Experience Works

UW Extension is planning to utilize a worker from the Experience Works training program starting March 29. This is a federally funded program that helps people over age 55 and low income get experience to enhance their resume.

Amendment #1 to Extension Contracts/Acct # 133-PRJ21RH

Nagelkerk reported that the UW Extension contract was approved by WACEC and UW System legal counsel. Signatures of the committee members were obtained.

Alice in Dairyland Balance Discussion and Possible Action:

A motion was made by Tollaksen, second by Stehling to approve the spend down of the amount in principal until this fund is depleted. Motion carried.

ARTS & CULTURE

Monthly Report/Review and Approval of Vouchers

A motion was made by Tollaksen, second by Stehling to approve the vouchers for the month of February in the amount of \$10,000. Motion carried.

Reports

Stehling will email committee members information about "Imagine" – Creative Art Ecology. Judy Ashford attended the March Theater Guild meeting where she explained the UW Arts and Culture Grant process and application.

AHHP Grant Awardees Discussion and Possible Action

Minutes from the Arts and History & Humanities Grant evaluation panels were reviewed.

The following changes were made by the committee.

Arts Grant: Aldo Leopold Foundation - restored the amount to \$3,300

History & Humanities Grant: Sauk County Historical Society was not funded and International Clown Hall of Fame was not funded.

A motion was made by Tollaksen, second by Stehling to award grants (per the attached document) in total of \$44,605. Motion carried.

Post Mortem on Grants Application Process

Review and discussion on the grants application process by committee. Committee feels the process went well, but there is always room for improvement. The process should continue to promote art to the next generation.

Discussion and Possible Action on Funding for Sauk County Maps

Erickson reported an unexpected additional expense with GIS mapping for the Sauk County maps. A motion was made by Huffaker, second by Stehling to approve up to \$600 to be used for this expense. Motion carried.

Consideration of Applications for Good Idea Grants

Lester Wiese requested two coroplast boards for Zion Lutheran "Stone" Church at a cost of \$60 each, for a total of \$120. A motion was made by Tollaksen, second by Huffaker to award the good idea grant in the amount of \$120. Motion carried.

Consideration of Programs and Priorities

Program grading sheet will be available for future meetings during agent monthly reports.

Next Meeting - Thursday, April 22, 2010 - 9:00 AM - ETN Room - 3rd Floor - West Square Building

Adjournment

A motion was made by Weise, second by Tollaksen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.