

**UW Extension, Arts and Culture Committee  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
December 12, 2012**

**Members present:** Judy Ashford, Joan Smoke, John Dietz, Mark Smooth Detter, Donna Stehling  
Al Anderson

**Members absent:**

**Guests Present:** Donna Neuwirth

**UWEX Staff Present:** Sue Nagelkerk, John Exo, Katie Pfeiffer

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**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**

Motion made by Dietz, second by Detter to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting**

Motion made by Dietz, second by Stehling to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, 2012. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

None

**Communications**

- Farewell from Lori Baumgart, WNEP educator who resigned to accept a position at RWHC in Sauk City
- Danielle Varney, WNEP Coordinator has arranged to have Angela Zeihen, our previous WNEP educator return to our office in an ad hoc position from January 7, 2013 until June

**Review 2012 Budget and Approval of Vouchers**

**UW Extension:** Budget reviewed. New office chairs are needed and are in the process of being purchased. Motion was made by Smoke, second by Stehling to **approve** the vouchers for the month of November in the amount of \$2,842.54. Motion carried.

**Arts & Culture:** Motion was made by Smoke, second by Stehling to **approve** the vouchers for the month of November in the amount of \$974.95. Motion carried.

**Report on Fermentation Fest/Farm Art D Tour successes and challenges; future and funding sources – Donna Neuwirth**

Neuwirth reported this is a remarkable economic development resource in Sauk County and Wormfarm is building on the momentum to make the event self-sustaining. Wormfarm received another NEA grant in the amount of \$35,000 which it will need to have matching funds. They continue to look at growth potential and investment of local sponsors and businesses.

**UW Extension, Arts & Culture Updates/Reports**

- UWEX staff annual review with Matt Hanson, Southwest Region Direction – January 9

## **UW Extension Staff Monthly Reports**

### **Jon Exo, Natural Resources and Katie Pfeiffer, Ag Agent**

- Currently working together on developing a community understanding of the water quality and possible solutions in the Spring Green area; meeting with both the farmers and non-farm residents. Erickson, CNRED agent is also assisting with this challenging situation.

## **ACTION ITEM: Aldo Leopold (Memorial Reserve Trails) requesting extension of final report deadline to May 31, 2013**

Motion was made by Smoke, second by Stehling to **approve** the extension of the grant annual report deadline to May 31, 2013. Motion carried.

**Upcoming Meeting-** Wednesday, January 9, 2013 @ 9:00AM – ETN Room – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of West Square Building

## **Future Agenda Items**

- UWEX staff annual review with Matt Hanson, Southwest Region Direction – January 9
- Grant application dates and panel dates and panels

## **Adjournment**

Motion was made by Stehling, second by Smoke to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Smoke, UW Arts and Culture Committee Secretary  
Judy Gurgel, Recording Secretary