

**Extension Education, Arts and Culture Committee**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**  
**April 7, 2021**

**Members present:** B. Hazard, R. Klitzke, R. Nelson, B. Stehling, V. McAuliffe, A. Anderson

**Members absent:** None

**Extension staff present via ZOOM:** A. Voss, M. Sage, M. Beernink, C. Richardson, Al Anderson

**Extension staff present in person:** J. Hoffman, J. Erickson, M. McArthur, A. Coorough, H. Weisert, J. Gurgel

**Others present:** Donna Stehling, Cathy Warwick

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hazard.

**Certification of Open Meeting Notice**

Requirements of the Open Meeting Law met.

**Motion to deviate from the order of the agenda if necessary**

No action.

**Adopt Agenda**

Motion made by Klitzke, second by Stehling to adopt the agenda. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Adopt Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Motion made by McAuliffe, second by Nelson to **approve** the Regular Meeting of March 3, 2021. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Public Comment:** Cathy Warwick, Public Health Deputy Director communicated a testimonial to thank Morgan McArthur for his inspirational talk he presented to Public Health workers during this difficult pandemic time, encouraging them to build resilience, humor and self-care into their day.

**Communications:** Correspondence from Reedsburg Arts Link.

**EXTENSION**

**Review Extension Financial Reports and Approval of Extension Vouchers**

**Extension:** Extension budget and invoices reviewed. Motion made by McAuliffe, second by Stehling to **approve** the Extension and Arts invoices in the amount of \$38,738.48. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Presentation of 2020 outside agency reports**

Committee received the outside agency report. (Sauk County Ag Society, Reedsburg Area Historical Society and Sauk County Historical Society report to the Extension Education, Arts & Culture Committee)

**Discussion, possible action on Extension Educator priorities and programming results overview**

Extension education efforts are developed from many sources, surveys, partner groups, experience, on-the-job and committee input. Responses from feedback indicate we need to communicate our work more effectively with Supervisors and do more to promote our programs. Educational priorities were developed from the collected data and were presented. Note these efforts do not represent all of our work, our plans allow us flexibility to pivot when circumstances dictate. We will continue to provide detailed reports on individual educational efforts monthly at committee meetings.

Motion made by Klitzke, second by McAuliffe to **approve** the developed priorities and programming as presented. Motion carried. All in favor.

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**Discussion, possible action on Annual FoodWise County Letter Agreement for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022**

Caitlin Richardson noted the agreement is reviewed annually and states FoodWise, a federally-funded program, can utilize county space and computer equipment.

Motion made by Klitzke, second by Nelson to **approve** the annual FoodWise Letter Agreement for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Area Extension Director Divisional updates:**

- a. Extension Focus shared.
- b. Financial Education: Amanda Coorough reviewed the financial training document being used in recent trainings and across the state.

**ARTS & CULTURE**

**Arts & Culture Financial Reports**

Budget reviewed. All approved major AHHP grants were paid out in April warrant 040721.

**Arts & Culture updates:**

- a. Wisconsin Arts Board re-granting amount increased to \$9,090 for 2022.

**Discussion and possible approval of Good Idea Grant applications**

- a. Gordon L. Wilson Elementary - Motion made by McAuliffe, second by Nelson to **approve** the good idea grant in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried. All in favor.
- b. Baraboo Parks & Recreation Dept. - Motion made by Hazard, second by McAuliffe to **deny** the good idea grant in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried. All in favor.
- c. Erin Schneider and Philip Matthews - Motion made by McAuliffe, second by Nelson to **approve** the good idea grant in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried. All in favor.
- d. Lee Gnatzig - Motion made by Harzard, second by McAuliffe to **approve** the good idea grant in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried. All in favor.
- e. Creative Alliance of Baraboo - Motion made by Nelson, second by Klitzke to **approve** the good idea grant in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Discussion and possible action on use of excess Arts, Humanities & Historic Preservation (AHHP) grant funds**

Increase marketing the availability of Good Idea Grants in 2021 for a maximum amount of \$1,000. Committee consensus to not hold a second large grant round. Available funds will continue to be monitored and evaluated throughout the year.

**Next Meeting Date:** Regular Meeting; **Wednesday, May 5, 2021**

**Future Agenda Item(s):**

**Adjournment:** Motion made by Klitzke, second by McAuliffe to **adjourn** the meeting. Motion carried. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rob Nelson, Extension Education, Arts & Culture Committee Secretary  
Judy Gurgel, Recording Secretary