

**Extension Education, Arts and Culture Committee  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
January 3, 2024**

**Members present:** B. Hazard; R. Klitzke, V. McAuliffe, Al Anderson

**Members absent:** L. Eberl, Bill Stehling

**Extension staff:** J. Hoffman, J. Gurgel, J. Nelson, M. McArthur; D. Sander, M. Beernink, S. Bibby, S. Parsons

**Others present:**

**SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hazard.

**Certification of Open Meeting Notice**

Requirements of the Open Meeting Law met.

**Adopt Agenda:**

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

**Adopt Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Motion made by McAuliffe, second by Klitzke to **approve** the Regular Meeting minutes of December 6, 2023. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Public Comment:** None

**Communications:** Correspondence shared. McAuliffe requested staff to get information on economic impact of the Arts in Wisconsin from Anne Katz, Create WI and report to committee.

**EXTENSION**

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

Extension budget and invoices reviewed. Motion made by McAuliffe, second by Klitzke to **approve** Extension and Arts & Culture invoices in the amount of \$60,881.26. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Discussion and action on the 2024 educator planned programming**

Educator shared programming efforts planned for 2024 and asked for committee feedback. Motion made by McAuliffe, second by Klitzke to **approve** the 2024 educator plans of work as presented. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Discussion and action on the reassignment of the Ag Soils and Crops Educator**

Motion made by McAuliffe, seconded by Klitzke to **approve** the reassignment/transfer of the Ag Soils & Crops educator. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Discussion and action to refill the transfer Ag Soils and Crops Educator position**

Motion made by McAuliffe, seconded by Klitzke to **approve** to refill the Ag Soils & Crops educator position. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Area Director Report:**

- a. Extension Report shared

**Extension Educator report(s):**

Sam Bibby, Regional Ag Soils & Crops Educator – Review of program efforts focused on soil health and cover crops. Bibby continues to work with soil health at the Sauk County Farm.

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**ARTS & CULTURE**

**Arts & Culture Financial Reports**

Budget reviewed.

**Discussion, possible action of Good Idea Grant applications:**

- a. River Valley Music Boosters. – Bring WI Singers to River Valley: Motion made by Hazard, seconded by McAuliffe to **approve** the good idea grant in the amount of \$500. Motion carried. All in favor.

**Arts & Culture AHHP grant process**

Panel review: Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>; committee review on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>

**Arts Final Reports reviewed:** Jay Rath, Cartoonist/Aldo Leopold Foundation

**Next Meeting Date:** Regular Meeting; **Wednesday, February 7, 2024.**

**Future Agenda Item(s):** Year-end report

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Klitzke, Extension Education, Arts & Culture Committee Secretary  
Judy Gurgel, Recording Secretary