Jackson County Extension Education Committee Minutes

November 9, 2017

Attending: Tom Reid, Tom Clark, Larry Blaken, Karen Thayer, Ray Ransom, Monica Lobenstein, Alex Galston, Trisha Wagner, April Duval, Pat Malone, Luane Meyer, Jordan Simonson

The meeting was called to order by Chair Thayer at 8:35 a.m.

Motion by Blacken and second by Clark to approve minutes. Carried. The next meeting is scheduled for December 12 at 1:00 p.m. Luane will host. Motion by Blaken Reid and second by Blaken to approve the bills as presented. Carried.

Discussion on management of EEC meeting responsibilities with staff changes: Pat will work with Julie to finalize the agenda; Pat will follow up on a question on whether a statement on ‘quorum’ related to the attendance of other county committee members attending EEC must be included on the monthly agenda; EEC, staff, and Pat will determine how often the AED will attend the monthly committee meetings and also to be determined by agenda items; a meeting minutes template was handed out and discussion on identifying a person to record minutes (considerations are an EEC member, rotation of staff members) with further discussion in December.

Purdue Farmer to Farmer trip to Colombia: Trisha received an invitation from Purdue University to participate in the Colombia trip with a Purdue staff member November 12-16, 2017, with a focus on providing expertise in area of milk quality processes. Motion by Blaken and second by Reid to support Trisha’s participation in this program. Carried.

Karen read a letter from the Dean thanking the EEC for continued support through their county partnership as the reorganization moved through the planning phase and continues through the implementation phase. Pat reported that the new annual 136 contract has been drafted and a preliminary copy will be shared with EEC members and discussed at the December meeting. The Memorandum of Understanding will also be reviewed. Pat asked to be notified following the November 13 budget hearing/county board meeting that the 2018 county budget has been approved so that she can move forward on finalizing the UWEX county budget regarding staff.

Education Reports: Written reports from the educators are available at the Jackson County Extension Office. Request by committee to send the FoodWIse Annual Report to Kyle Deno to be shared with the County Board.

Motion by Hart and second by Clark to adjourn at 10:25a.m. Carried.

Submitted by: Luane Meyer