

Nielsen, chairman, called the regular meeting of the Extension Education and Community Development Committee to order at 9:00 a.m., on March 14, 2013 at the Vilas County Courthouse Rm. #2, Eagle River, WI 54521

Present: The following persons were present: County Board members Dennis Nielsen, Chuck Hayes, Emil Bakka, Linda Thorpe, and Maynard Bedish; others Nancy Anne Miller, Terri Miller, Chris Stark, Jenette Chiamulera.

Approve Agenda: Motion by Bakka, second by Bedish to approve the agenda.

Motion carried, all voting aye.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the Feb. 14, 2013 meeting was made by Thorpe, second by Bedish.

Motion carried, all voting aye.

Vacant Secretary A Position

N. Miller and Nielsen attended the February Personnel Committee meeting and reported the personnel committee decided to take the request to fill the vacant Secretary A Position under advisement. The Extension Education and Community Development committee asked N. Miller to confirm that it is on the agenda for the March 20 Personnel Committee meeting, and that N. Miller should invite Tom Schmitz, North Central Regional Director, to attend in her absence along with Nielsen.

Featured Program – Chris Stark

Stark shared highlights from some of the current projects he is involved with.

He had a 1 ½ day meeting with a team established to discuss recruitment of qualified staff to fill vacancies in Social Services.

He has been asked to be on a Resource Management Team for the UWEX North Central Region and will be involved in reviewing grant applications for innovative programs in our region.

Chris reports that Ken Stubbe has resigned from the Economic Dev. Corp.

He then shared a report that he worked with UWEX's Local Government Center on the General Profile of Revenue and Expenditures for Vilas County.

Stark also shared highlights of his work that is being done on the revitalization of downtown Phelps.

Supporting documents are on file.

VILAS Vision-monthly update

N. Miller explained that this is a new agenda item that will be included on all further agendas for UWEX.

Based on the wishes of the Ext. Committee, she will prioritize with planning and implementing the VILAS Vision Leadership Program. She is collaborating with Brian Gauthier, Lac du Flambeau CRD to establish a new advisory board to help provide direction in planning. A list of potential board members has been generated.

They have been invited to participate in a planning meeting on April 16. The time is to be determined.

Extension Office Sustainability Dialogue & Leonardo DaVinci Idea Book –

Nielsen asked about possible collaboration with tourism to promote UWEX activities.

Hayes asked whether it was within Chris' scope to get involved with helping with the revitalization of organizations such as the Chambers of Commerce.

Bedish asked for clarification of the roles of Chris Stark's, CRD educator, and the Economic Development Corporation.

Out-of-County travel:

Motion by Bedish, second by Hayes to approve out-of-county travel.

Motion carried, all voting aye.

The educators list of travel is on file in the UWEX office.

Budget Update/Statement of Bills:

The budget update (on file in the UWEX office) was given to the committee and the committee signed the statement of bills.

Correspondence and Communications:

None of the committee members are able to attend the State WACEC meeting in April.

Future Meeting Dates/Items –

The next regular meeting is set for Thursday, April 18, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court St., Eagle River, WI 54521.

Adjournment –

Nielsen adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

Minutes reflect the recorders notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate board or committee.

Respectfully submitted by: Terri Miller