

Nielsen, chair, called the regular meeting of the Extension Education and Community Development Committee to order at 9:00 a.m., on January 8, 2012 in Conference Room #2, at the Vilas County Courthouse, Eagle River, Wisconsin.

Present: The following persons were present: County Board members Dennis Nielsen, Maynard Bedish, Mary Platner and Fred Radtke; others Nancy Anne Miller, Teresa Arnold, Jenette Jones, & Rosemary Leveille

The following County Board members was/were excused:

The following County Board members was/were absent:

Media Present:

Approve Agenda: Motion by Bedish, second by Radtke to approve the agenda to be handled in any order at the discretion of the Chair. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2011 meeting was made by Radtke, second by Bedish. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Public Issues Leadership Development (PILD) report –

Platner will be sending the January, 2012 issue of the Wisconsin Counties Association magazine with the article announcing UW-Extension 100th year to the representatives. A copy of the article will be given to the County Board at the January 24th meeting.

Welcome to Jenette Jones, Family Living Agent –

Everyone in attendance introduced themselves as did Jenette. Jenette Jones is the new Family Living agent that will serve Florence, Forest, and Vilas Counties, and will be based in Florence County. She taught kindergarten for 8 years in the Port Washington school district and is now returning to Florence. Jenette is starting to get acquainted with all of the committees, coalitions, groups, needs, and much more in all of the counties. The Northern District will be contracting with a mover to have all of the non-county owned furniture, equipment and supplies that belong with the Family Living agent at their expense to the Florence County office.. A warm and hearty welcome was given to Jenette.

Committee Resource Educator (CRD) Position update –

N. Miller announced that the CRD position will be posted on February 10, 2012. This position is a full time one county position for here in Vilas County. The preliminary hiring process is done by the University and the County along with the University will make the final decision together.

Office Relocation –

No one on the committee had heard what will be taking place with the relocation of the UW-Extension office.

Extension Office Sustainability Dialogue and Leonardo DaVinci Idea Book –

Platner thinks that Extension should keep up the programs that are going on now. She stated that the all County 6th grade conference is a great community involvement and also great for the children, and VILAS Vision is also a wonderful all around way to get an introduction to the County to mention a few. Platner stated that she would like to relook at the items UW-Extension does now and prioritize them for Vilas County at the next meeting.

Out-of-County travel –

Motion by Radtke, second by Platner to approve the following travel: N. Miller Jan. 30th to Spooner for Northern District Liaison farewell meeting, and Feb. 2nd to Waukesha for WTCA quarterly meeting. **Motion carried, all voting aye.** The agents list of travel is on file in the UWEX office.

Budget Update/Approval of Vouchers –

Leveille distributed a monthly budget update and submitted the following vouchers for payment: - **2011** - Clermont Printing & Office Products-\$1,019.22; Nancy Anne Miller-\$84.81; Southern Computer Warehouse-\$153.53; Trees For Tomorrow-\$323.00; UW Soil Testing Lab-\$50.00; Univ of Wisconsin –Extension-\$550.00; Venture North Creations-\$22.00; - **2012** – Venture North Creations-\$518.00; Wisconsin Associated County Extension Committees, Inc.-\$50.00; and Xerox Corporation-\$827.07. **Motion to approve the vouchers as presented was made by Bedish, second by Radtke. Motion carried, all voting aye.**

Correspondence and Communications –

N. Miller stated WACEC will put forth a resolution honoring Gene Ciszek; Youth in Governance hit a speed bump but she will be working with the schools and the youth to find a way to get the program underway. She has appointments in February to do so; VILAS Vision for the 2011-2012 season has started with 18 participants; a press release announcing the new Family Living Agent will be placed very soon; and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will be coming forth next month for approval on the new way of funding the tri-county funding of travel and supply expenses.

Future Meeting Dates/Items –

The next regular meeting is set for Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the Vilas County Courthouse. Radtke stated that he will not be able to attend the next meeting.

Adjournment –

Nielsen adjourned the meeting at 10:12a.m.

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

Respectfully submitted by: Rosemary Leveille