

Cedar County Extension Board Meeting

February 4, 2022-12:00 pm

Present: Gary Wieseler, Lisa Karnes, Jackie Steffen, Katie Winkelbauer.

1. The meeting was called to order by Gary Wieseler.
2. Election of officers Katie nominated Gary Wieseler for President and Lisa Karnes as Secretary. Seconded by Gary. All in favor.
3. Minutes from the last meeting were presented. No corrections or additions. Lisa made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Gary seconded. All approved
4. Financial report presented. May is the last month in our budget year. 8th month and 56% of the budget has been used. Extension van will not be stored at City facilities as this will not be cost effective. Katie made a motion to approve, and Gary seconded. Motion carried.
5. Learning Child Report-Jackie Steffen
 - Jackie presented an annual report and an email was sent out to do an evaluation for her, Ben and Megan.
 - Completed two site visits as a PDS Specialist in Dakota City.
 - 28 parents are participating in the 4-week pilot for MATH at home. This is being conducted in Hartington and Wynot.
 - Read for Resilience-Families of children 3-5 will be recruited.
 - Tri- Chair for Cedar County Community for Kids. First orientation meeting will be held in Laurel on February 8th.
 - Grant with Amy Napoli. PreK-1 alignment and Child Youth.
 - Stem 2021 presentation guides.
 - Continue to serve in Madison as the Interim Education Specialist.
 - Promotion Committee for 4-H
 - Professional Development

Beef Specialist's Report-Ben Beckman

- Ben left report for committee
- Ben continues with his regular outreach through radio, newspaper, BeefWatch, Pasture & Forage Minute and Nfield.
- Pasture & Forages
 - Forage Field Day August 4 at Beresford, SD and August 5 at Concord, Ne.
 - On June 15 Ben had the NGLC Summer grazing tour with 180 participants. Lindy and Lynch ranches were visited.
 - Alfalfa-Seeding and inoculant trials at Haskell.
- Livestock
 - Livestock Showman Clinics-28 youth and parents attended.
 - YQCA-done for the year-51 participants in Cedar County, 79 participants in Knox County.
 - BQA Training in Wayne on June 14. Thirteen producers attended.
 - Land application training in Plainview on June 22 with 6 producers attending.
- Haskell Field Day was held on July 1 with approximately 350 people attending.
- Ben has many upcoming events.

Old Business

-Amy Topp has been hired as EZC Zone 5 and continues to be Interim 4-H youth development for Wayne

-Early Childhood in Madison-Offer has been made.

-2022 Impact at a Glance. Jackie presented handout.-Featured Ag program and main programs highlighted. Key programs for Cedar County highlighted. State wide Jackie featured 2021 impact at a glance.

-4-H Council Audit-Lisa will do that

New Business

-Holly Wortmann is interested in being our NACEB Director for Zone 5. Submitted application. Lisa made a motion to accept application, Gary seconded. All approved.

-NACEB Annual Meeting-February 9, 2022. Jackie Megan and Holly will be attending.

-Annual County Extension Report-February 22 at 10:00. Board members are invited to attend.

-Summer Intern Position. Requirements from county. Aurora Urwiler has shown interest. Permission requested to approach Aurora. She could start earlier than others-available now. If Aurora is not interested, we would approach others that have shown interest. Aurora has been involved in Cedar County 4-H since she has been young. Discussion held.

-Review salaries for next year. Discussion held. Will review that in April.

Lisa made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Katie seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be April 5, at 12:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Karnes, Secretary