

Cedar County Extension Board Meeting

Friday May 3, 2024

Present: Gary Wieseler, Ben Beckman, Jackie Steffen, Cara Wiebelhaus, Katie Winkelbauer, Laura White.

1. Meeting was called to order by Gary Wieseler at 12:01 pm.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed; Katie made a motion to approve and Gary seconded. All approved.
3. Financial report presented. Laura made a motion to approve and Katie seconded. All approved.
4. Educator Reports:

Highlights of Learning Child Report and 4-H/Youth Development-Jackie Steffen

- CECO Early Childhood Conference March 23, 2024 was a success.
- Taking the lead on the Tri State Early Childhood Conference in Ponca.
- Hosted Building Better Babysitter trainings.
- Presented a capstone project and graduated from the First Five Policy Leadership Academy.
- See report for additional info

Highlights of Beef Specialist's Report-Ben Beckman

- Outreach
- Alfalfa Plots
- NDEE Meeting, Capacity Building and May Beef Meetings
- County Government Day
- HSYF Taskforce Co-Chair
- Forage Field Day August 6th at Haskell Ag Lab
- Haskell Family Field Day August 7th at Haskell Ag Lab
- See report for additional info

Highlights of Youth Development Educator Report – Megan Hanefeldt

- Ag Innovators, Real Colors, Entrepreneurial Programs, Connecting the Dots, Embryology, Career Exploration Event
- 4-H Family Fun Night
- 4-H Mentoring
- NCEA Professional Development Committee Secretary
- Serving on the Bazile Groundwater Management Area Communication Team
- See report for additional info

Highlights of 4-H Youth Development Assistant – Cara Wiebelhaus

- Events ~ 4-H Family Fun Night, Public Speaking Contest, Zone Connection Day
- School Enrichment ~ Connect the Dots, Embryology, Ag Innovators
- Library Programming ~ 5 Senses and Edible Book Challenge
- 4-H Spring Training
- See report for additional info

5. Old Business

- 4-H Council Audit ~ Laura completed the audit
- PEARS ~ Reporting System
- Zone 5 Connection Day ~ was a success ~ Makers Space from Randolph was highlighted
- Cedar County 4-H programming ~ Busy summer for the 4-H youth, many opportunities

6. New Business
 - 2024-2025 Budget ~ Went over budget, Gary made a motion to approve the budget with the exception to the salary portion as that was not final yet and will be discussed at next meeting. Katie seconded the motion. All approved.
 - NACEB Summer Meeting ~ June 22, 2024 in O'Neill
7. Community Needs / Concerns
8. Comments / Concerns
9. Next Meeting: July 10, 2024 at Noon at the Extension Office.
10. Katie made a motion at 12:38 pm to adjourn, and seconded by Gary. All approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Winkelbauer