

Cedar County Extension Board Meeting

Wednesday November 3, 2023

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

1. Meeting was called to order by Gary Wieseler at 11:58 am.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed; Katie made a motion to approve and Laura seconded. All approved.
3. Financial report presented. Laura made a motion to approve and Gary seconded. Motion carried.
4. Educator Reports:

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

- Continue to be an active tri-leader for Cedar County Communities for Kids
- Attended the CDA Early Educators Leadership Conference in Houston, TX
- Represented Nebraska Extension with an early childhood booth at the Thriving Children, Families and Communities conference in Kearney
- 4-H Sharp Shooters Archery program has 33 registered archers
- See report for additional info

Highlights of Beef Specialist's Report-Ben Beckman

- Alfalfa Plots ~ assessing if 4th year is needed
- Continue working on the GrassSnap App ~ Going to get a test
- Range Judging
- Society for Range Management ~ May be asked to chair national society committee
- Beef Group listening sessions
- SARE
- See report for additional info

Highlights of Youth Development Educator Report – Megan Hanefeldt

- Leadership Summit & Farm Safety event
- Ag Innovators this year is Protect the Plate
- STEM ~ Power Protectors National Youth Science Day program
- Attended the Youth Leadership Team Meeting in Lincoln
- 4-H Coaching and Mentoring
- See report for additional info

Highlight of 4-H Youth Development Assistant – Cara Wiebelhaus

- Professional Development
- School Enrichment
- Library Programming
- Networking & Outreach
- See report for additional info

5. Old Business

- Office Remodel has been approved ~ will take place this winter
- Interlocal Agreement / Constitution & Bylaws ~ have the final approval
- Van ~ the van broke down and has been brought back to Hartington to see what it needs for repairs

6. New Business

- 2023 Impact Report ~ the focus this year is Leadership

-Closing the office during Christmas December 25 through January 1
-NACEB ~ awards

7. Community Needs / Concerns

8. Comments / Concerns

9. Next Meeting: January 5, 2024 at Noon at the Extension Office.

10. Laura made a motion at 12:42 pm to adjourn, and seconded by Katie. All approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Winkelbauer