

MINUTES

Ashland County Agriculture & Extension Education Committee Meeting

Monday, October 2, 2023 9:00am

Ashland County Courthouse, Room 204

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by George Bussey at 9:02AM. Blake Frost took roll call of members.

Members Present: George Bussey, Kathy Schutte, Patrick Kinney, Matt MacKenzie, George Mika, Brett Martinsen

Others Present: Blake Frost, Kate Wallner, Lissa Radke, Dan Grady

2. Approval of Agenda

Mika moved to approve the agenda. Pat Kinney seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comments: No public comments.

4. Approval of Minutes from August 1, 2022 Meeting

Mika moved to approve minutes. Kinney seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Area Extension Director Report- Mary Pardee (Lissa Radke read the report in Mary's absence)

- Extension will be hosting a Northwoods Showcase for partners to learn about Extension education in the Northern tier of Wisconsin. Committee members will be invited to attend. May 7, 2024 at Lac Du Flambeau.
- Interviewing for Healthy Communities Coordinator position, a 2+ year grant funded coordinator to focus on reducing obesity in Ashland County through policy, systems and environment-focused coordination.

6. Education Highlights - *Written report of educational highlights included in packet.* Educators present gave brief highlights and led discussions.

7. County Fair Update – provided by Kathy Schutte & Brett Martinsen

8. Future agenda items

- Meeting notices and materials
- Meeting schedule for 2024

9. Next meeting – Monday, December 4, 2023 at 9:00 AM in County Board Room.

Business meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM

Public Access Period - 30 minutes, conversation regarding topics pertinent to Extension education in Ashland County

- Suggestion to incorporate this into the meeting, not as its own section, and announce that no business will happen.

Respectfully submitted by Blake Frost