

The September 28, 2023 meeting of the Cornell Cooperative Extension Board of Directors was called to order by Beth Walter-Honadle at 5:00p.

Members Present: Bill Joint, Allison Lavine, Gabe Smalt, Hilda Lando, Fred Potter, Amey Rusak, Beth Walter Honadle, Jason Jordan

Members Absent: Stuart Sammis

Staff Present: Tess McKinley, Robert Shirley, Anne Zschoche

Approval of Notetaker: Discussion on who was taking notes. It was suggested that, Anne take notes. Beth appointed Anne.

Approval of the minutes:

August 24, 2023-Admendments needed before approval

Public Comment Period: None

Audit Report: Via zoom by Rich Davis

Reports:

State Extension Specialist Report:

- Absent

Staff Presentation: Did staff and board of directors meet and greet before meeting. Well received

Executive Directors Report:

- CCE will be asking for level funding this year. Tess asked if people could write/ or use template to sign to send in. Tess to send that out.

Program Area Reports:

- Finance:
 - Robert presented the report for July 2023
 - Approved as presented: first-Fred, Second Allison
- Strategic Planning:
 - No meeting yet, will plan meeting Oct. before BOD
- Ag and Natural Resources:
 - Meeting was Sept 12
 - Discussed Susan starting Master Gardener program
 - Discussed Farm Trail Day

- 4-H PAC:
 - Leader update/community forum 9/20. Leaders and volunteers discussed how things went this year
 - Met Sept 21
 - Programming plans being made
 - Maker's Market-children can make things and sell at craft show in Howard 11/18
 - Discussed Achievement Night
- Community Health:
 - No meeting-next one is 10/10

Old Business

- New board member suggestions to replace Stuart and need new president
 - New member suggestion: Kyle Lowery-motion 1st- Fred, 2nd- Allison, carried unanimously
- Fair update: still gathering information to make decision
 - Meeting with Nick and Ag? Or Fair Board? On 10/4 at 7pm.
 - Tess should ask for agenda
 - Going along: 4-H staff, Robert, Tess, Gabe, Bill

New Business

- Progress on vacancies:
 - Still need 2 positions filled
 - Regional Environmental position has 4 in poll-interviews next week
 - Suggested we submit to Mansfield and Cornell or any other colleges with nutrition degrees, for new students graduating

Adjourn 6:24p motion 1st- Bill, 2nd Allison

The next board meeting will be October 26, 2023, in Annex building

Minutes respectively submitted by Anne Zschoche