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Agriculture & Education Committee Tuesday, July 13, 2016, 7 pm **Rock County Courthouse** Courthouse Conference Center 51 S. Main Street, Janesville, WI 53545 **Unapproved Minutes**

Call to Order. Chair Bostwick called the meeting of the committee to order 7:05 p.m. in the Court Conference Room, Rock County Courthouse, 51 S. Main St., Janesville, WI

Committee Members Present:

Supervisor Bostwick, Supervisor Davis, Supervisor Driscoll, Supervisor Hawes. Supervisor Sweeney

Staff Members Present:

Donna Duerst, Nick Baker, Brian Paul, Julie Gibes

Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Sweeney moved approval of the agenda second by Supervisor Driscoll. ADOPTED

Approval of Minutes: Supervisor Driscoll moved approval of the minutes from June 8, 2016, second by Supervisor Hawes. ADOPTED

Citizen Participation, Communication and Announcements

Supervisor Sweeney shared that the PACE Council is Tuesday, July 19th at 9 am; he serves as a Project Assistant for the Council.

Supervisors Sweeney & Supervisor Davis attended the WACEC Conference.

Educator Reports

Nick Baker, Agriculture Educator

Baker shared current programs including research projects as well as upcoming events including BASF Agronomy Field Days. July 19-21 is Farm Tech Days.

Julie Gibes, Nutrition/Horticulture Educator

Julie is WNEP & Master Gardener – Program Garden Initiative Assistant; shared survey results on UWEX gardening programs across the state & future plans for the initiative.

Fair Board Report

None

Fairgrounds Maintenance and Contracts

Brian Paul is busy getting ready for the fair; summer crew is excellent. Sweeney moved; Davis second to approve contracts: ADOPTED

Review of Payments

No Questions

<u>Discussion & Possible Action regarding proposed restructuring of UW Extension</u> Nothing New

Update from Department:

- progress on 2017 budget proposal in process; will update next month
- staffing update nothing

Comments from the Committee

None

Adjourn Supervisor Driscoll moved to adjourn at 7:50p.m., second by Supervisor Davis. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Minutes taken by Donna Duerst Transcribed by Sheila JaDoul

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