

NATURAL RESOURCES AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE
UW-Manitowoc
Tuesday, January 19, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Cathy Wagner at 6:15 p.m.

Those present were: Clyde Mueller, Cathy Wagner, David Korinek, Andy Schneider, and Susie Maresh. UW-Manitowoc Dean Dan Campagna was also present.

Public input came from Mark Kuether. Mark showed a clip from his "Take Back the Lake" 98-minute documentary which will be available on Comcast and Time Warner, in local libraries, at UW-Manitowoc, and eventually on Amazon. The clip highlighted a polluted Lake Michigan and the sources of its contamination.

Motion by Clyde Mueller, second by David Korinek, to approve the minutes of the December 2009 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Andy Schneider, second by Clyde Mueller, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

There was no correspondence.

Dan Campagna presented a resolution endorsing a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences Degree for the University of WI Colleges. Motion by David Korinek, second by Andy Schneider, to approve the resolution and have it presented at the February County Board meeting. Motion carried. The Dean indicated enrollment was up at the UW-Manitowoc Campus.

Faye Malek gave an update on the current office budget.

Faye stated that the Manitowoc County UW-Extension WI Nutrition Education Program Educator, Betsy Warmus, started working in January and that Mitchell Christensen began working in the office on January 14th as a Community Work Study Student. He will work ten hours per week helping the staff with their clerical needs. Both positions are federally funded with county office space provided to Betsy, and 25% of Mitchell's salary (\$1.81 hourly) paid through the UW-Extension Office budget.

Faye shared that discussions have begun regarding a clearer understanding of insurance for 4-H volunteers and members. The goal is to have a document that explains the responsibilities of the county and of the 4-H program.

The office newsletter was distributed and will be used as the new process for updating NREC members on upcoming events. It can be used for reports to the County Board. All County Board members and county employees receive the newsletter electronically each month. Andy Schneider volunteered to give the January report.

Motion to adjourn by Susie Maresh, second by Clyde Mueller. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

The next meeting is February 4, 2010 immediately following the ADRC Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Wagner, Chair