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**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON
GRANT COUNTY**

September 23, 2026

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING

The Grant County Agriculture & Extension Education/Fair Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 28, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Extension Office Conference Room at the Youth & Agriculture Center, 916 E. Elm St, Lancaster, Wisconsin.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://co-grant-wi-gov.zoom.us/j/84897747796?pwd=OBalhKZmDFa4LbKbBNbdsava7brhsz.1>

Meeting ID: 848 9774 7796

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Consideration will be given and/or action taken on any or all of the following agenda items.

1. Call to order
2. Statement as to Proper Notice of Meeting
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held July 16, August 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2026
5. Business Relating to Grant County Extension or the Youth and Ag Center
 - a. Educator Updates
 - Bev Doll, Human Development and Relationships Educator - written report
 - Charisse Orth, 4-H Program Educator
 - Casey Lobdell/Jackie McCarville/Jordyn Sattler, Regional Agriculture Educators
 - b. Area Extension Director Update
 1. County Leadership Conversation - Jeremy Solin, Assistant Dean-Southern Region
 2. Co Funded Model - 2027 Contract
 3. Update – Blake Roberts, Development Specialist - written report
 - c. Budget 2027
 - d. Review Vouchers
6. Grounds and Maintenance Report & Youth and Agriculture Center
 - a. Grounds Repair
7. Grant County Fair and Fairgrounds Business
 - a. Recap 2026 Fair
 1. Carnival
 2. Entertainment
 3. Auction
 4. Exhibits/Exhibitors
 - b. 2027 Fair
 1. Online Entries
 - c. District Meeting - Wisconsin Dells, October 7
 - d. Budget 2027
 - e. Review all Fairgrounds Vouchers
8. Livestock Claims
9. Adjourn

FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, July 16, 2026
Youth & Agriculture Center, 916 E. Elm St., Lancaster, WI 53813

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Kathy Kopp. Roll Call was taken with five committee members present: Kathy Kopp, Joe Mumm, Pat Schroeder, Mike Timmerman (by Zoom), Dan Durley. Others present were, Bob Keeney, Amy Olson and Casey Lobdell. Present by Zoom were Mike Timmerman, Charisse Orth, Denise Tolzman and Tonya White.

The meeting notice was posted at the Extension Office, Youth & Agriculture Center, Administration Building, on the Grant County website and emailed to media.

Motion by Dan Durley, seconded by Mike Timmerman, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Timmerman, seconded by Pat Schroeder, to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 15, 2026. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Dan Durley, to go with Spectrum for weather insurance for the fair, choosing dual period rain insurance to cover Thursday and Saturday nights events. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on removing number 5, regarding insurance, on the Lafayette County Promoters fair race contract. It was in the contract when they held weekly races, so it is no longer needed. The Grant County Fair now pays them for hosting the fair event. Lafayette County Promoters provides insurance like other promotes.

Amy found some to haul manure from the fairgrounds with another individual as backup.

Denise Tolzman, WGLR, requested to broadcast the 2026 Grant County Junior Fair Livestock Auction by YouTube. Last year 466 people listened so they would like to do it again. This is for listening purposes only. Tim Slack Auction takes the live bids. The Fair Committee is okay with it as long as it works for Grant County IT Department to help set up.

Amy updated the committee on overall fair progress and went over the committee's schedule, volunteer schedule and reminded them of the superintendent meeting August 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Kate Nusbaum welcomed and introduced herself as the Grant County Tourism and Marketing Coordinator. She requested \$500 for a cell phone to use for tourism and marketing and as a contact for her. Nate mentioned with the county transitioning to T-Mobile the county may have a phone for her. Motion by Pat Schroeder, seconded by Joe Mumm, to have Kate get a cell phone. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Dan Durley, to approve vouchers. Motion carried.

Motion by Dan Durley, seconded by Joe Mumm, to adjourn. The next scheduled meeting is August 20, 2026, with call of the chair for meetings if needed. Motion carried.

Amy Olson
Recording Secretary

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION
EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
UWEX Conference Room
Lancaster, WI

Thursday
August 20, 2026
8:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathy Kopp. Present in addition to Kopp were Joe Mumm, Pat Schroeder, Mike Timmerman, Dan Durley, Bob Keeney, Amy Olson, Lori Vesperman, Charisse Orth, Kate Nusbaum, Todd Miller, Deb Reukauf, Vince Heiman and Gabby Heiman. Present by Zoom was Lynn Perkins.

The meeting notice was posted at the Administration Building, Extension Office and Youth & Ag Center, county website and media by Amy Olson.

Motion by Dan Durley, seconded by Joe Mumm, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Dan Durley, seconded by Pat Schroeder, to approve minutes of the August 4, 2026, meeting. Motion carried.

Lynn Perkins was present by zoom to present the Extension Educator Contract. Motion by Pat Schroeder, seconded by Joe Mumm, to table the item until the September Meeting. Motion carried.

Carnival - Vince reported on the carnival and shared financial information from Wednesday.

Policing - no issues. More "no parking" signs are needed by buildings.

Judging - no known issues.

Exhibits/exhibitors - with advice from a veterinary one pig was released from the grounds.

Entertainment - a Pure Farm Class was added to Saturday night tractor pull. A rain out class from last year will run first this year.

Veterans program will start at 5:00 p.m. in the Royal Bank Entertainment Tent

Recess until Friday at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Vesperman
Recording Secretary

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION
EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
UWEX Conference Room
Lancaster, WI

Friday
August 21, 2026
8:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathy Kopp. Present in addition to Kopp were Joe Mumm, Pat Schroeder, Mike Timmerman, Dan Durley, Bob Keeney, Amy Olson, Lori Vesperman, Charisse Orth, Casey Lobdell, Kate Nusbaum, Todd Miller, Deb Reukauf, Steve Braun, Vince Heiman and Gabby Heiman.

The meeting notice was posted at the Administration Building, Extension Office and Youth & Ag Center, county website and media by Amy Olson.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Mike Timmerman, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Carnival - Vince reported on the carnival and shared the financial information from Thursday.

Policing - one police report.

Judging - no known issues.

Exhibits/exhibitors - no known issues.

Discussed who would present Outstanding Fair Persons Awards.

Recess until Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Vesperman
Recording Secretary

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION
EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
UWEX Conference Room
Lancaster, WI

Saturday
August 22, 2026
9:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kathy Kopp. Present in addition to Kopp were Joe Mumm, Pat Schroeder, Mike Timmerman, Dan Durley, Bob Keeney, Amy Olson, Lori Vesperman, Charisse Orth, Todd Miller, Deb Reukauf, Steve Braun, Vince Heiman, Gabby Heiman and Craig Bierman.

The meeting notice was posted at the Administration Building, Extension Office and Youth & Ag Center, county website and media by Amy Olson.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Mike Timmerman, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Carnival - Vince reported on the carnival and shared the financial information from Friday.

Policing report was shared.

Craig Bierman asked to allow an exhibitor to sell another exhibitor's pig, since their pig died. Motion by Pat Schroeder, seconded by Mike Timmerman, to follow set rules and not allow the change. Motion carried.

Recess until Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Vesperman
Recording Secretary

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION
EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
UWEX Conference Room
Lancaster, WI

Sunday
August 23, 2026
9:30am

The meeting was called back to order by the Committee Chairman Kathy Kopp. Present in addition to Kopp was Bob Keeney, Joe Mumm, Dan Durley, Mike Timmerman, Todd Miller, Steve Braun, Deb Reukauf, Vince and Gabby Heiman, Casey Lobdell, Kate Nusbaum, Kevin Retallick, Charisse Orth, and Amy Olson.

The meeting notice was posted at the Administration Building, Extension Office and Youth & Ag Center and media by Amy Olson.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Dan Durley, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Carnival - Vince reported on the carnival and shared the financial information from Saturday.

Policing – Todd reported missing kids but were found. Also, they did a lot of extra strolling around the parking area Saturday and Saturday night which seemed to help.

Judging – Has gone well. Charisse reported we had lots of compliments on the style show. The goat superintendents would like to change the show for next year to 3pm with 2 rings going at the same time.

Exhibits/exhibitors – Kevin Retallick was present on behalf of the Grant County Cattlemen. They purchased along with the Fennimore FFA a steer and would like it to go to another fair instead of live market. Also, there was a discussion on the swine that passed away and that the exhibitor did earn the right to sell their dairy goat before their swine died. Joe was looking for clarification on this for the family. Charisse reported that we had one Master Showmanship change because an exhibit got sick.

Entertainment – Went over the schedule for the day. The walk-through gates over by the entertainment tent need to be closed more so less vehicles are coming through. The sheriff's department has been doing that throughout the fair.

Vendors – Discussion on vehicles going through this area. Next year Amy will put it in their contract hours they can have vehicles going through. Possibly having a loading zone which would be very helpful if it's during the day.

Steve Braun reported of getting new radios to use as batteries are dying very quickly on these.

Casey Lobdell went over load out times for Sunday and Monday.

Motion by, Joe Mumm, seconded by Dan Durley to adjourn to September meeting. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Olson, CFE
Grant County Fairgrounds Operation Director

AGRICULTURE

- Casey Lobdell, Regional Livestock Educator
- Jackie McCarville, Regional Dairy Educator
- Jordyn Sattler, Regional Crops & Soils Educator



Casey Lobdell



Jackie McCarville



Jordyn Sattler

The Extension Agriculture Institute is your connection to the latest University of Wisconsin-Madison research. Our five program areas; Agriculture Water Quality, Crops and Soils, Dairy and Livestock, Farm Management, and Horticulture, are here to educate and respond to the needs of the agriculture community while providing resources that promote economic and environmental sustainability in Wisconsin. We apply research to challenges facing communities and businesses.

- Insect Trapping Network - Participating in an insect trapping network to assist Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and the UW entomology lab monitor incoming pest populations and forecast potential damage to crops. Through this effort, timely notifications will be distributed to producers who will then have local information to help guide their pest scouting and make more timely and effective pest management decisions. (Sattler)
- Anaplasmosis and Theileriosis: Similar Signs, Different Responses - A research-based article for the Wisconsin Agriculturist Magazine, Livestock Insight column to help readers increase their understanding of biosecurity management between two diseases, both of which have significant impact to the farm's profitability and sustainability. (Lobdell)
- New World Screwworm - A news post on New World screwworm for livestock producers, where they learn about what screwworm is, what to look for, how to prevent it, and Wisconsin guidance on animal movement so producers can keep their herds healthy. (McCarville)
- High Oleic Soybeans Field Days - Planning and preparation for field days around the state of Wisconsin focused on the use of high-oleic soybeans (HOSB) for dairy farmers and agriculture professionals. During these field days, participants will increase their HOSB related knowledge through educational sessions, facility tours, and peer-to-peer learning. The goal of this effort is to help farmers and their advisors make informed, strategic, and economically viable decisions regarding HOSB adoption and use. (McCarville & Sattler)
- Farm Technology Days 2026 - An event that included in-person demonstrations and interactive tabletop discussions during Farm Technology Days for beef producers – six sessions. These activities aimed to help participants gain awareness of management practices that influence the economic viability of their farms, including better understanding the impact of meat quality and yield grade on final saleable product. Other topics included animal health product handling and biosecurity. (Lobdell)



POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT - Charisse Orth



The Extension Institute of Positive Youth Development prepares the youth of today to become the effective, empathetic adults of tomorrow. Our research-based youth enrichment programs like teens in governance build youth and adult capacity and partnerships that help both sides grow. 4-H clubs, camps and afterschool programs give young people the hands-on experiences they need to develop an understanding of themselves and the world.

- A cooking day (Foods Revue) for youth to compete in cooking, decorating, table design, and menu creation in order to enhance and showcase their abilities within culinary arts. The goal was to spark interest in careers with food, event planning and cooking in general.
- A clothing revue for 4-H youth, where youth modeled sewing projects they made. This effort is designed to build confidence and increase their fashion, and sewing knowledge.
- A planning meeting for 4-H Ambassadors, where members planned their schedule and 4-H promotion activities for Grant County Fair Week. Through this effort the Ambassadors were able to maximize their promotion of 4-H throughout the whole fair week.



HUMAN DEVELOPMENT & RELATIONSHIPS - Bev Doll



The Extension Institute of Human Development & Relationships provides the tools Wisconsinites need to thrive as well-rounded, capable individuals and families. We support families in caring for each other in ways that promote growth and understanding. Our programs promote aging-friendly communities, coach effective parents and help families put technology, mindfulness, and financial awareness to use.

- A 7-session course that helps adults of all ages to make end-of-life financial, healthcare, and final wishes decisions in order to reduce the stress experienced by survivors and to ensure that their wishes are honored. Total Reach: 16 adults registered and participated X attending 7 sessions = 112 contacts
- A monthly parenting program for fathers where participants learn skills to build their children's social and emotional learning. This series is designed to improve understanding of positive parenting practices, while providing social connections for fathers and father figures.
- A monthly topic-specific series (Resilient Co-Parenting) for parents and caregivers experiencing separation, divorce, or changes in the custody of their children, where they learn skills to improve communication and problem-solving, support children emotionally, and keep kids out of the middle of conflict. This series is designed to improve understanding of positive parenting practices that are useful during stress, while providing social connection for parents experiencing family transitions.
- A co-parenting class (Parents Forever) for parents and caregivers experiencing separation, divorce or changes in the custody of their children, where they learned skills to prioritize the parent-child relationship and better communicate with their co-parent. This program is designed to increase child well-being and reduce parental conflict during family transitions.
- Planning for Mission statement review and strategic planning in collaboration with the Grant Regional Health Center Axillary. The goal is to align the organization's core purpose with its future actions.





Community Development Institute

DIVISION OF EXTENSION
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

Grant County Extension - September 2026 Report

Blake Roberts Crall - Rural Community Economic Development Specialist, Community Development Institute (*Crawford, Grant, Lafayette & Richland counties*)



The Community Economic Development program promotes local economic well-being and quality of life in Wisconsin communities. We work with and support community economic development practitioners and organizations, tribal and governmental entities, and business and nonprofit organizations and help gain access to the information, research, education, and technical assistance necessary to make informed decisions.

Southwest Rural Housing Summit

- Please save the date for UW Extension's 2026 Southwest Rural Housing Summit on Tuesday, Nov 10, located at Southwest Technical College. Formal invitations will be sent out soon. Hosted in partnership with the SW Regional Planning Commission and Prosperity SW.
- This educational summit will explore trends, research, and local innovations shaping the housing landscape across the region. Participants will learn about best practices, explore resources, and connect with peers to find solutions that address housing needs and move projects forward. Topics include: affordability & availability; overcoming barriers to development; building resilient housing; financing models; and identifying development that matches your community's needs

Child care & local workforce programming

I continue to collaborate with community leaders in Boscobel to better understand the child care landscape in the Boscobel area and learn more about how it affects workers at the local level (in

partnership with Boscobel Area Schools, the City of Boscobel, the Chamber of Commerce, Grant County Economic Development Corp, and the Boscobel Dial). Project updates:

- We designed and distributed two community surveys: one for parents/caregivers and one for businesses in the Boscobel area. The surveys are currently open for responses.
- We arranged a tour of the North Crawford School District Early Learning Center to understand models for how school districts can support child care systems.
- Up next: once the workforce surveys are complete, we will analyze survey findings, design outreach activities to share findings with community members, and identify ways to address any unmet needs.

In Lafayette County, Extension and the Lafayette Development Corporation co-hosted a Child Care Community Conversation on August 5 in Darlington. We had 25 people in attendance. The event provided an overview of the child care supply vs demand gap analysis, findings from the county's recent child care needs surveys, and a case study on the Shullsburg school district's early education center. Given the number of interested community members in the county, we are now exploring implementation of Extension's business accelerator program for child care startups.

SW Driftless Civic Engagement Initiative

- As our region's population gets older, we are faced with the reality of a dwindling bench of community leaders and an increased burden put on the shoulders of a few.
- The connection between civic engagement, leadership development and economic development is clearly outlined in the southwest region's [Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy](#), which lists leadership development and civic engagement as one of the key priorities for our area.
- In response to community requests across the region for tools to support leadership development and building local capacity to advance community development goals, UW Extension is launching a new civic engagement program in the southwest region.
- The 6-month program builds pathways to public service, and supports residents to effectively participate in public issues, shape decision-making processes, and mentor new civic leaders. Program goals include: increase intergenerational civic engagement; skill development in deliberative dialogue, conflict resolution, facilitation, collaborative action planning, and relationship building. Participants will understand how to effectively navigate local government and local decision making and become active members of the community.

- The program launches in October 2026 and will run through March 2027. It is open to people who live or work in the SW region (Crawford, Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland counties).
- We have 25 participants registered so far.

First Impressions

- The City of Lancaster and the City of Dodgeville are exploring enrollment in the UW Extension First Impressions program. Blake Roberts and Todd Barman (UW Extension Economic Development Specialist) will provide technical assistance and training for each community's planning team to establish placemaking and community visioning goals. A team of local volunteers will then visit their partner community to make observations and share feedback, and will create a final report with recommendations for next steps.
- The First Impressions program was developed by UW Extension members to help communities learn about existing strengths and weaknesses through the eyes of the first-time visitor, and provides an unbiased and unique perspective with results that can serve as the basis for community action. The tool is now used in communities across the United States.

Renewable Energy

- Extension's Renewable Energy team hosted an educational event about large scale solar/wind energy in Dodgeville on Sept 15, with many people from Grant county in attendance. The event covered how Wisconsin's energy regulatory system works, tools that local communities have (ordinances, comp plans, developer agreements), and lessons from communities that have navigated renewable projects.

Upcoming Events

Complex Land Use & Data Center Resources

- Extension recently appointed Karl Green as the new Community Planning Specialist, with a focus on helping communities understand and navigate large-scale land use changes. His work has a strong focus on data centers. Karl will be attending the Prosperity Southwest meeting on Nov 20 to share about his work.

Cooperative Childcare Solutions: Understanding the Crisis and Moving Forward Together

Oct 29, 12:00-1:00pm • Virtual

Hosted by the UW Center for Cooperatives and Cooperative Development Services.

The childcare crisis continues to strain rural communities, creating workforce challenges for employers, limiting access to affordable, quality care for families, and contributing to burnout among childcare workers. Drawing on eight months of firsthand research, this webinar will explore how rural communities and employers are addressing childcare gaps through collaboration, advocacy, and the cooperative model.

Extension events are open to all. The University of Wisconsin–Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming in compliance with state and federal law. You may request an interpreter, materials in an alternative language and/or format, and/or other services to make this event more accessible. Contact oaic@extension.wisc.edu. Make your request 25 days before the event. There is no added cost to you for these services.



Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals Workshop

October 13 2026

5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Pittsville Community Hall

5291 Third Avenue

Pittsville, WI 54466

About the Workshop

- Zoning: what does it do and why do some communities adopt it?
- Role of the zoning board of appeals or adjustment
- Variances: legal standards and applying them to scenarios
- Conditional use introduction
- Creating legally defensible decisions

Questions?

For registration questions:
UWSP Continuing Education
uwspceweb@uwsp.edu or 715-346-3838

For workshop content questions:
Lynn Markham, Land Use Specialist
Center for Land Use Education
lynn.markham@uwsp.edu

Who Should Attend?

- Zoning Board of appeals and adjustment members
- Local officials: county, town, city & village
- Plan commission members
- Zoning staff

Registration

\$30 per person early bird through October 6

\$35 per person starting October 7

Register at <https://bit.ly/4689UXO>

Preorder [Zoning Board Handbooks](#) during registration for \$30 each. Receive at workshop.



Dear County Leadership,

September 1, 2026

This fall I will be seeking your input regarding an assessment of local community needs and priorities in the County. This assessment is part of a statewide effort being conducted by Extension with county leadership across Wisconsin. This assessment is being undertaken in response to close collaboration with leaders from the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA).

As Counties and Extension continue to operate within tight budget environments, this effort is intended to help optimize impact using available resources. Information gathered from these discussions will be used to develop proposed updates to the Extension Educator model at the county, regional, and state levels. No decisions are imminent. Rather, we are gathering input to help inform future discussions about how Extension can best serve communities. Any proposed updates that emerge from this process will be shared with county leadership for feedback before any final decisions are made. █

To help prepare for our conversation, I encourage you to review any County strategic plans, county health assessments, or other county-based planning documents that may help identify current and emerging community priorities. █

Individual responses will not be identified or attributed. Input will be combined and analyzed in aggregate with feedback received from county leadership across the state. Below are the questions we will discuss. Your input will be very valuable. The conversation will likely take 15 – 20 minutes.

1. What are the most pressing issues or challenges facing your county? What about over the next 3-5 years? █
2. What role do you see Extension playing in addressing those identified issues? █
3. Which of these issues are best addressed at the county level? Which are best addressed regionally or statewide? █
4. What is valuable about Extension county-based programming? What is valuable about Extension programming offered at a regional or statewide level? █

Contract Between [Grant] County
and
Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System

This contract is by and between [Grant] County, State of Wisconsin (**County**), and Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, on behalf of the University of Wisconsin – Madison, Division of Extension (**Extension**) and is entered into pursuant to the authority vested in the County Committee on Agriculture and Extension Education by sections 59.22(2)(d) and 59.56(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Whereas, Extension is organized both around geography, as Extension educators deliver programs in communities throughout the state, and around academic disciplines including Agriculture, Natural Resources, Community Development, Youth, Human Development & Relationships, and Health;

Whereas, Extension is committed to maintaining an office in every county willing to commit to continued funding and space for Extension staff. Extension recognizes the value in keeping a local presence in every county and keeping the shortest distance possible between the people of Wisconsin and the Extension staff delivering programming to them;

Whereas, Extension provides opportunities to additional resources such as statewide specialists and UW-System campus resources to address specific local issues in core areas of expertise;

Whereas, the County is a critical partner in developing and implementing key educational priorities for county residents. In collaboration with Extension leadership, counties will identify local services of priority to their communities. County will agree to co-fund Extension educators based upon annually established flat fees for positions as defined below; and

Whereas, the parties need to define their respective rights and responsibilities;

Now therefore, the parties agree as follows:

1. Term, Amendment & Termination.

- a. The term of this contract is one (1) year. The term shall run from January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027, unless amended or terminated as set forth below.
- b. Any additions, changes, modifications or renewals of this contract are subject to the mutual agreement and written consent of authorized representatives of both parties.
- c. Either the County or Extension may cancel this entire Agreement with or without cause upon sixty (60) days' written notice delivered by mail or in person; provided, however, the County shall be responsible for paying a prorated amount of fees

under Section 3.1.a. through the notice period. In addition, if the contract is cancelled before the end of the term, the discount identified in Section 3.1.a. shall be prorated (i.e. the discount amounts to roughly \$834 per month).

2. **Extension Responsibilities.** Extension agrees to:

- a. Hire local Extension staff who will deliver educational services aligned to County priorities. As vacancies occur, and if the County and Extension agree to continue to support the desired program and position, Extension will seek County input when filling vacant positions.
- b. Provide an Area Extension Director (AED) to serve as County department head and supervise Extension staff at no cost to the County.
- c. Invoice the County semi-annually, in May and November for amounts due under this agreement.

3. **County Responsibilities**

3.1 In consideration of the programs that Extension provides to the County under this contract, the County agrees to:

- a. Pay to Extension the County share of up to \$ 127,623 for the period of January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027 as allocated below.

Co-Funded Positions	Fee	FTE	Total
Human Development and Relationships Extension Educator	50,045	1.0	50,045
4-H Program Extension Educator	50,045	1.0	50,045
Agricultural Extension Educator Regional Livestock	50,045	.25	12,511
Agricultural Extension Educator Regional Crops and Soils	50,045	.25	12,511
Agricultural Extension Educator Regional Dairy	50,045	.25	12,511
[Enter Position]			
[Enter Position]			
[Enter Position]			
First Educator Discount			(\$10,000)
Subtotal			\$ 127,623

Proposed or fully-county funded positions and other county contributions	Fee	FTE	Total
[Enter Position]			
[Add Any Other Fee]			
[Add Any Other Fee]			
Final Total			\$ 127,623

- b. Provide travel funds, office facilities for Grant county located at: 916 E Elm St., Suite A, Lancaster WI 53813, information technology equipment (such as computers, printer, and phones) and internet connectivity, access to Extension supported technology resources, office supplies, and educational programming materials to the Extension educators identified in 3.1(a),
- c. Provide salary and fringe benefits for the County clerical support staff who support the Extension educators identified in 3.1(a),
- d. Provide other supporting budgetary items through regular County budgetary procedures in which funds are appropriated for such purposes under applicable Wisconsin law.

~~3.2 Consider and assess opportunities to provide office space with desks and chairs; access to IT support and internet connectivity; and basic operational resources (in a manner similar to other Extension educators in the office) for FoodWise nutrition education programming to County SNAP/FoodShare eligible residents. Technology for FoodWise positions will be coordinated through the County.~~

3.3 Consider and assess opportunities to provide office space with a desk and chair for fully state funded Extension employees who serve in a regional or statewide capacity. These regional and statewide educators will be provided with state-purchased technology and IT support. The opportunity for these positions to access the internet through the county may also be discussed.

- 4. ~~**Delegation of Financial Budget Authority.** The parties hereby acknowledge that Extension will employ an Area Extension Director (AED), whose responsibilities may include certain budget related functions as set forth in the Delegation of Financial Budget Authority Form (DFBA Form) attached hereto as **Exhibit A.** County may authorize the AED to carry out such functions on its behalf, but only to the extent specified in in the DFBA Form, which must be signed by an authorized representative of County in order to be effective. The County may rescind such authorization at any time by providing written notice to Extension. In the event that the parties execute a new agreement governing the subject matter of this agreement such that the term of this agreement and the term of the new agreement run consecutively, the parties agree that the delegations set forth in a duly signed DFBA Form shall remain in effect upon execution of the new agreement unless the County rescinds such authorization by providing written notice to Extension.~~

5. **General Conditions** This contract is established under the following conditions:

- a. **Notices.** Any notice or demand which must be given or made by a party to this Agreement or any statute or ordinance shall be in writing and shall be sent via e-mail and certified mail. Notices to the County shall be sent to County Representative(s). Notice to the Extension shall be sent to Area Extension Director.
- b. **Employer, Personnel Rules, Volunteers and Liability.** Any employees hired by Extension under Section 2.a. of this contract are employees of Extension, and are subject to the personnel rules, policies, and procedures for faculty, academic staff or University staff, as appropriate to the respective appointment in Extension as established by Wisconsin statute, and, or administrative rules; and, or, by policies or procedures adopted by the Board of Regents and the University of Wisconsin - Division of Extension. Any individual who meets Extension's definition of a volunteer and completes all registration requirements will be considered an Extension volunteer. Extension will be responsible for ensuring that its employees and volunteers take affirmative steps to make clear, when entering into relationships with third parties, that they are employees or volunteers of Extension. Extension shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its employees while acting within the scope of such employment. To the extent they are acting as agents of Extension, Extension shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its volunteers while acting within the scope of such agency.

Any individuals who are employed by the County in order to satisfy obligations under Section 3.1 of this contract (fully county funded) are County employees and are subject to applicable County personnel rules, policies and procedures. Any volunteer engaged by County to further the purposes of this contract will be considered a volunteer of County. County will be responsible for ensuring that its employees and volunteers take affirmative steps to make clear, when entering into relationships with third parties, that they are employees or volunteers of County. County shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its employees while acting within the scope of such employment. To the extent they are acting as agents of County, County shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its volunteers while acting within the scope of such agency.

- c. **Billing.** For the period January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027, Extension shall bill the County for the total amount under Section 3.1.a. of this contract. The County will be billed for the first half of the total contract by May 31st and the second half of the total contract by November 30th. If services are not rendered or excess services are provided to the County by Extension during the contract period, the parties will use good faith efforts to adjust the total contract amount and update future bills to coincide with the new agreed upon amount. The County shall pay the amount billed within 30 days of the billing.
- d. **Cybersecurity Provisions.** Each party shall be responsible for the response to, remediation of, and any resulting notification requirements related to cybersecurity breaches of their own information technology systems or those of any third parties hired on their behalf. This responsibility includes the financial costs of any breaches, e.g., forensics, remediation, notifications, etc. The County and Extension

shall determine their individual need for cyber liability insurance coverage. Any breaches that could impact Extension data classified as moderate or high risk must be reported to Extension staff, via the Area Extension Director, and the University of Wisconsin - Madison Cybersecurity Operation Center (CSOC) Help Desk, 608-264-4357 following the risk-based timelines outline in the UWSA System Policy 1033 and associated Incident Response Plan. Following a reported breach event, the County will provide a primary staff contact and periodic response updates to Extension and the CSOC until event closure. Any breaches that could impact County data will be reported to the County immediately upon learning of the breach. The County shall provide the Are

- e. **Insurance.** The Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System as an agency of the State, and consequently, Extension, is self-funded for liability (both public and property) under ss. 893.82 and 895.46(1), Wis. Stats. As a result, such protection as is afforded under respective Wisconsin Statutes is applicable to officers, employees, and agents while acting within the scope of their employment or agency. Since this is statutory insurance, there is no liability policy as such that can extend protection to any others.

County agrees to maintain appropriate insurance to cover the potential liability of its officers, employees and agents while acting within the scope of their employment or agency. Such insurance may be provided through a self-insurance program. To the extent that an Extension employee is allowed to use a County vehicle, the responsibility for insuring that vehicle lies with the County.

- f. **Nondiscrimination Statement.** The County and Extension will comply with all applicable state and federal laws and rules prohibiting unlawful discrimination. The University of Wisconsin–Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming in compliance with state and federal law..

By:_____	—	Date:	By:_____	—	Date:
County Representative			County Representative		
By:_____	—	Date:	By:_____	—	Date:
County Representative			County Representative		
By:_____		Date:	By:_____		Date:
Area Extension Director			County Representative		
UW-Madison, Division of Extension					
By:_____		Date:	By:_____		Date:
Director of Financial Services			On Behalf of Board of Regents of		
UW-Madison, Division of Extension			The University of Wisconsin System		

Exhibit A

Delegation of Financial Budget Authority Form

~~Area Extension Directors play an important part in county Extension offices as they manage the faculty and staff within that county, and many times, that includes the county support staff. Area Extension Directors also work with county partners to develop a departmental budget and provide oversight to that budget on an annual basis in cooperation with corresponding county financial departments and county board committees. The Delegation of Financial Budget Authority allows Area Extension Directors, hired, and managed by Extension as state employees, to manage county fiscal resources in service to the people of those counties.~~

To be completed by the county administrator or county official delegating signature/budget authority.

County hereby delegates to the Area Extension Director for _____ County and _____ (no other person, if blank) authority to approve/authorize the following financial budget matters on behalf of County, provided, however, that such delegation is limited to the extent that such matters are directly related to County's authority under section 59.22(2)(d) and 59.56(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes and subject to any conditions/limitations indicated by County below.

Invoices	Travel Reimbursements _____	Supply & Expense Reimbursements _____
Time/Leave Approvals _____	Purchase Requisitions _____	Internal Budget Transfers _____
Inter-departmental transfers _____	County specific space agreements for educational programs _____	Bank account signatory _____
Other items: _____		
Conditions: _____		

This authorization is effective until either party (UW-Madison Extension or _____ County) requests a change to the document

Budget Authority signature: I am aware this constitutes a delegation of budget authority allowing the Area Extension Director, and any other position mentioned above, to manage county fiscal resources in service to the Extension office and residents of _____ county. I understand that delegating authority does not release _____ County, from full responsibility as Budget Authority.

County Administrator/County Official(s):

Name: _____ Signature: _____
Title: _____ Date: _____

Budget Committee Meeting

Extension (UW-Extension) — 2027 Review Budget

Prepared from Ext Budget information as of September 22, 2026

Budget Overview

Category	2027 Review Budget	2026 Revised Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Revenues	(\$374,687)	(\$345,723)	(\$28,964)	-8.4%
Expenditures	\$374,687	\$375,823	(\$1,136)	-0.3%
County Funding Appropriation	\$360,437	\$332,923	\$27,514	8.3%
Net Budget Position	\$0	\$30,100	(\$30,100)	—

Key Budget Changes

- County funding appropriation is proposed at \$360,437, an increase of \$27,514 (8.3%) from the 2026 revised budget.
- Total expenditures decrease \$1,136 (0.3%) to \$374,687.
- Personnel changes include a \$23,600 increase in productive pay and \$21,100 in termination pay, partly offset by a \$20,000 reduction in non-productive pay and an \$8,000 reduction in health insurance.
- Professional services decrease \$26,864, while Pesticide/Ag Program education/training adds \$2,300.

Major Line-Item Variances

Account	2027 Review	2026 Revised	Change	Committee Note
County Funding Appropriation	(\$360,437)	(\$332,923)	\$27,514	Increase in county support requirement
Professional Services	\$127,623	\$154,487	(\$26,864)	Service cost decrease
Productive Pay	\$110,800	\$87,200	\$23,600	Personnel cost increase
Termination Pay	\$21,100	\$0	\$21,100	New 2027 budgeted cost
Non-Productive Pay	\$0	\$20,000	(\$20,000)	Reduction from 2026 budget
Health Insurance	\$54,700	\$52,700	\$2,000	Benefit cost increase
Fund Balance Used	(\$2,300)	\$0	(\$2,300)	Planned use of fund balance
Pesticide/Ag Program Education/Training	\$2,300	\$0	\$2,300	New 2027 program cost

Detailed Budget by Account on next page

Detailed Budget by Account

Amounts shown as presented in the Ext Budget source. Negative amounts denote revenues.

Org.	Account Description	2027 Review	2026 Revised	Change
10061001	Extension State Grants	(\$2,100)	(\$2,700)	\$600
10061001	Extension UW Extension Gen	(\$5,800)	(\$5,800)	\$0
10061001	EXT - Fund Balance Used	(\$2,300)	\$0	(\$2,300)
10061001	Extension Cnty Fndng Appr	(\$360,437)	(\$332,923)	(\$27,514)
10061001	Extension Productive Pay	\$110,800	\$87,200	\$23,600
10061001	Extension Overtime	\$0	\$0	\$0
10061001	Extension Non Prod Pay	\$0	\$20,000	(\$20,000)
10061001	Extension Termination Pay	\$21,100	\$0	\$21,100
10061001	Extension SL Buyback	\$0	\$1,250	(\$1,250)
10061001	Extension Extra Hire	\$0	\$3,000	(\$3,000)
10061001	Extension Committee Per Diems	\$2,340	\$2,500	(\$160)
10061001	Extension Social Security	\$10,280	\$8,550	\$1,730
10061001	Extension Retirement	\$8,050	\$8,030	\$20
10061001	Extension Health Insurance	\$54,700	\$52,700	\$2,000
10061001	Extension Life Insurance	\$60	\$60	\$0
10061001	Extension Disability	\$260	\$270	(\$10)
10061001	Extension AD&D	\$8	\$10	(\$2)
10061001	Extension Prof Services	\$127,623	\$154,487	(\$26,864)
10061001	Extension Phone/Internet	\$1	\$1	\$0
10061001	Extension Office Supplies	\$6,865	\$6,865	\$0
10061001	Extension Postage	\$2,600	\$2,700	(\$100)
10061001	Extension Print/Copy	\$4,150	\$4,150	\$0
10061001	Extension Books/Pubs/Subs	\$275	\$275	\$0
10061001	Extension Broch/Bul/Newsltr	\$0	\$250	(\$250)
10061001	Extension Mileage/Travel	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
10061001	Extension Reg/Fees/Tuit	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
10061001	Extension Meals	\$100	\$100	\$0
10061001	Extension Lodging	\$500	\$500	\$0
10061001	Extension Operating Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0
10061001	Extension Other Expense	\$0	\$0	\$0
10061001	Extension Equip Rental/Lease	\$4,400	\$4,400	\$0
10061002	Cnty Agent Exp Other Exp	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
10061005	Pesticide/Ag Prog Edu/Training	\$2,300	\$0	\$2,300
10061007	Farm Progress Int On Invstmnts	(\$500)	(\$500)	\$0
10061007	Farm Progress Scholarships	\$500	\$500	\$0
10061008	4 H/Youth Grants/Contribs	\$4,725	\$4,725	\$0
10061009	Teen Court Grant Donations	(\$900)	(\$1,000)	\$100
10061009	Teen Court Grant Grant Expense	\$900	\$1,000	(\$100)
10061010	4-H Dues Collected	(\$2,650)	(\$2,800)	\$150
10061010	Other Expense	\$2,650	\$2,800	(\$150)

Intake Crosstab Report

Print Date Friday, August 14, 2026

Intake StartDate	7/1/2026 12:00 AM
Intake EndDate	7/31/2026 11:59 PM
Intake Type	Stray
Intake SubType	All
Jurisdiction	Grant County - WI
Intake Status	Completed
Age Group	All
PreAltered	All
DOA	Included
Species	All

		Dog	Total
Grant County - WI	Police Pickup / Drop Off	2	2
	Total	2	2
Total		2	2

STRAY CRITTER/WILDLIFE INTAKE

Shelter Use

ID# 61374888

INTAKE DATE: 7/15/26

TEMP LOCATION: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

SPECIES: Dog

COLOR: mult - color

AREA FOUND: Mount View Park - Platteville, WI

COLLARS/TAGS/ID: N/A None found

Please circle one:

DBQ CITY ACO

JO DAVIESS ACO

DBQ POLICE

DBQ SHERIFF

ASBURY POLICE

DYERSVILLE POLICE

EPWORTH POLICE

FARLEY POLICE

PEOSTA POLICE

GRANT CO POLICE

I relinquish all rights to this animal, therefore, the DRHS has all rights to decide on the best outcome for this animal. I will not call or have anyone else call on my behalf to find out the outcome. The DRHS has all rights to either put this animal up for adoption, euthanize animal, or transfer to another organization, whichever they see fit.

SIGNATURE: Joseph Bartelt

OFFICER NAME: Joseph Bartelt PLPD #520

NOTES: (continue on back, if needed)

Animal Name Winnie

STRAY DOG INTAKE

Shelter Use

ID# 61460910

INTAKE DATE: 07/29/26

TEMP LOCATION: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

BREED: Lab/Pit mix

COLOR: Brown

AREA DOG FOUND: Lancaster WI

COLLARS/TAGS/ID: None

Please circle one:

DBQ CITY ACO

JO DAVIESS ACO

DBQ POLICE

DBQ SHERIFF

ASBURY POLICE

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SIGNATURE: W. Bartelt

OFFICER NAME: W. Bartelt

NOTES/MICROCHIP: (continue on back, if needed)

Will need to call to get location