

**MINUTES**  
**Trempealeau County Extension Education and Communication Committee**

Mike Nelson, Chair

1. Meeting called to order by Mike Nelson at 9:00 a.m. in the Trempealeau County Government Center in the Trempealeau County Board Room on June 18, 2013.

2. Notice was posted according to open meeting law requirements.

**Committee members present:**

X Jay Low  
X Sally Miller  
X Arild Engelién  
X Olin Fimreite  
X Michael Nelson

**Others present:**

X Steve Okonek  
X Pat Malone  
X Marilyn Whalen  
X John Kelly  
X Julie Keown Bomar  
X Michelle Rose

3. **MOTION:** Adopt agenda as printed  
(Low/Fimreite : PASSED).

4. **MOTION:** Adopt minutes of the May 21, 2013, meeting as (printed)  
(Engelién/Nelson : PASSED)

5. **MOTION:** Approve agents' out-of-county travel requests  
(                     : PASSED). NONE

6. **Review of Trempealeau County Family Living Position Description and the interview process to be followed:**  
Julie Keown Bomar, the UW-Extension Regional Director discussed the Trempealeau County Family Living position job description and outlined the interview process. Three candidates are scheduled to be interviewed. Julie distributed a series of questions that cannot be asked. She also distributed nine questions that will be asked of each candidate. The committee decided that the UW Extension staff should ask the questions. Julie said the goal was to select and offer to hire the agreed upon candidate.

7. **Closed Session per WI Stat. 19.85(1)(c) to interview and consider applicants for the Trempealeau County Family Living position of employment:**

Mike Nelson made a motion seconded by Jay Low to go into closed session per WI Stat. 19.85(1)(c) to interview and consider applicants for the Trempealeau County Family Living position of employment. The motion was approved by all members of the committee.

8. **Motion by Arild Engelién seconded by Jay Low to reconvene into open session.** On a voice vote Catherine Emmanuelle will be offered the Trempealeau County Family Living position and if she declines, Joel Thomas will be offered the position:

9. **Streaming of Archived Committee Meetings – IT Department. Involvement and Report:**  
Cindy Currier, Information Systems Director and Rian Radtke, Corporation Council arrived to assist John Kelly TCCTV Studio Coordinator and the Committee on a couple of the agenda items. Long discussion followed relating to streaming of archived committee meetings via the Trempealeau County website. This would make County Board meetings and certain committee meetings accessible to everyone with an internet access computer. Cindy Currier indicated the IT Department could assist and John Kelly said TCCTV would also assist.

Jay Low made a Motion seconded by Olin Fimreite that the County Board and Committee meetings that are televised on TCCTV will be streamed on the website. Motion carried .

**10. Clarification of TCCTV Policy-Equipment and Operating Procedures for Public Access Facilities-Section II item g – eligibility of outside tapes for cablecast:**

A long discussion was held regarding the clarification of TCCTV policy- equipment and operating procedures for public access facilities (section II item g. The TCCTV current policy and procedures are as follows:

g. Eligibility of Outside tapes for cablecast: TCCTV, in order to successfully program its entire community channel allocation, will invite program resources from outside TCCTV facilities provided the following additional criteria are met:

- i. Program content has local or regional significance.
- ii. Program includes a local endorsement, such as a studio recorded "spot" or discussion describing such relevance.

The discussion centered on an outside of Trempealeau County sand mine show that was brought into the TCCTV studio by a Trempealeau County residence. Some committee men felt that this is a political issue and the film should not be shown. Others indicated they thought it was more informational. There was a lengthy discussion on what kind of shows could be shown and what can be turned down. Rian Radtke, Corporation Council said that TCCTV is a public educational and governmental (PEG) access cable television channel. He pointed out that the public has a right to free speech based on the first and fourteenth amendment of the US Constitution. He said Trempealeau County is not permitted to censor content because it is unpopular or controversial. Programs can be censored if it is slanderous, indecent or obscene. He said that Trempealeau County could include a written statement or video of a local resident of the TCCTV viewing area or the county describing the video. He also said a disclaimer could be used stating that the show does not represent the view of TCCTV or the County Board. Olin Fimreite suggested that a short statement from the person endorsing the show be part of the policy and the person endorsing the show must be from the TCCTV viewing area and a brief description of the content of the show from outside the area should be required. Rian and John will review the current policy and report back at the next meeting with an updated policy for the committee's approval.

**11. Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee – disapproval of TCCTV televising Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee Meetings:**

Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee disapproval of TCCTV televising Law Enforcement/Emergency Management Committee meetings was discussed. Rian Radtke said the Extension Education and Communication Committee have already approved the TCCTV filming so no action is needed.

**12. Summer Fund Drive:**

John Kelly reported that a questioner and fund drive was sent out with the Tri-County Communication Cooperative (TCC) June cable bills. Compiled questionnaires' and donations are now being received.

**13. Summer Hire/s:**

The student hire attends G-E-T High School and is interested in learning skills in filming, production and programming. John said he helped filming at Osseo's Lake Martha Days.

14. **Next meeting date** was set for July 18 at 9:00 a.m., in the Trempealeau County Government Center.

15. **MOTION: Adjourn meeting at 3:05 p.m.** Mike Nelson adjourned the meeting by order of the chair.

Sally Miller, Secretary  
Agriculture and Extension Education Committee