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WISCONSIN ASSOCIATED COUNTY EXTENSION COMMITTEES, INC.

## MINUTES

WACEC Board of Directors Meeting  
Sunday, June 25, 2006 and Monday, June 26, 2006  
Park Plaza Hotel and Convention Center  
Oshkosh, WI

### Sunday, June 25, 2006

Call to Order: President James Costello called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Roll Call: William Nass, Wayne Lato, R. Wayne Plant, Robert Washkuhn, Robert Browne, Tom Rudolph, Colleen Bates, Larry Marquardt, James Costello, and James Schroeder. Absent: Lynn Moris (absent on Sunday).

Others Present: UWEX Vice Chancellor Marv Van Kekerix, Associate Dean Yvonne Horton, Jennifer Garner, Special Assistant to the Chancellor, UWEX.

Additions to the Agenda: Recognition of Secretary/Treasurer Bob Washkuhn. Accolades from the entire Board for the fine work of Bob Washkuhn. The board voted on payment of Washkuhn's expenses for the annual conference. Motion made by Browne and seconded by Schroeder. The vote was unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes: Moved by Lato, seconded by Plant to approve the minutes. Motion unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Moved by Schroeder, seconded by Lato to approve the treasurer's report. Motion unanimously approved.

Selection of the Audit Committee: Marquardt and Nass were appointed to serve on the audit committee and deliver the report to the full membership at the business meeting.

WACEC Workgroup Report on Guidelines for Attending Additional Meetings: Nass distributed the workgroup recommendation guidelines on WACEC Board members attending meetings other than regular Board meetings. The workgroup included Wayne Plant, Lynn Moris and Bill Nass. Moved by Bates, seconded by Browne to approve the recommendations. Motion unanimously approved.

The recommendation is a per diem amount of \$50 per function.

- No reimbursement of meals for in-county meetings
- Out-of-county functions will be reimbursed at the state rate for meals, hotel and mileage.



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- The Board President and Vice President are encourage to attend these functions using the following guidelines:
  - The President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer consult on the importance of attending the function.
  - This Executive Board determines if others should attend based on their availability and proximity to the function.
  - Reimbursement for two Board members will be available.
  - This method of connecting provides a check and balance system for the Executive Board.
  - At the next regularly scheduled Board meeting, those Board members that were reimbursed for attending a function will provide a report to the board.
  - If more than four functions are attended during a calendar year, the Board should be advised to review the policy.
  
- Reimbursement to functions prior to the acceptance of this policy is not recommended.

Cooperative Extension Update: Horton shared the Cooperative Extension At-A-Glance resource for new board member orientation.

UW-Extension Update: UW-Extension Vice Chancellor Van Kekerix gave an update on the UW-Extension Chancellor's appointment. The Chancellor will be visiting all Wisconsin County Extension offices. Van Kekerix gave a staffing update.

Legislative Update: Garner reported to the Board that TABOR was defeated overwhelmingly with a second year property tax levy freeze.

Resolutions: None.

New Business: None.

Future WACEC Annual Conference Discussion: A workgroup has been identified consisting of Wayne Lato, Colleen Bates, James Costello, Tom Rudolph, a UW-Extension district director and UW-Extension department head. The workgroup will explore how we can do things differently to increase participation in order to generate interests and strengthen conference. Nass made a motion, seconded by Browne to appoint committee. Motion carried.

Board recessed.

**Monday, June 26, 2006**

Reconvene: The board reconvened at 7:00 a.m.



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Election of Officers: Ballots were distributed to the Board. Results for president were seven in favor of Costello and three in favor of Bates. Costello was re-elected as president. Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer were unanimously elected.

Election results:

President	James Costello
Vice President	Colleen Bates
Secretary/Treasurer	Lynn Moris

Future Meeting Dates: The Board will meet the following dates:

- September 18, 2006 7:00 – 8:30am  
Breakfast Meeting at the La Crosse Radisson Hotel during the WCA Convention
- November 10, 2006 10:00am – 2:30pm  
UW-Stevens Point Campus
- March 27-28, 2007  
WACEC State Conference in Madison

New Business: None.

Adjourn: Motion made by Lato and seconded by Schneider to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 a.m. Meeting adjourned.