

MINUTES

Central District Resource Management Team April 21, 2003

Present: Sue Buck, Jackie Carattini, Kelly Cole, Ken Hurlbut, Peter Manley, Dan Renzoni, Mike Wildeck

Review Minutes of February 28, 2003 Meeting

Mike Wildeck moved to approve the minutes. Dan Renzoni second. Motion carried.

Update on Central District Positions

- Jackie Carattini has accepted the position of Wood County Family Living Agent and will begin on May 15, 2003.
- Jennifer Caravella has accepted the position of Waushara County Family Living Agent and will begin on June 1, 2003.
- WNEP Coordinator positions will be opening up in Marquette and Lincoln/Taylor Counties.
- Sue Buck met with the Lincoln County Ag & Extension Committee on March 11 to discuss refilling the CRD position. The Lincoln County Administrative Committee will meet on May 6 for final approval.
- Green Lake County 4-H/YD position is in the process of an external post, which closes on May 7. Screening and preliminary interviews will be in late May, with the final interviews occurring in early June.
- 2004 Administrative Intern position has been posted internally. The deadline for applications is May 1.

Status of One-Time Funds

One-time funds FY03 cap is \$29,378. This cap has been met and the money is starting to be spent. Taking this into account, there is approximately \$20,000 available for the Innovative Grants.

Status of Intensive Inservice – November 12-13, 2003

Harvard Law School will be joining the Central District to present “Handling Difficult Business Conversations and Negotiating in Difficult Situations.” This inservice will build on the conflict resolution series and will cost approximately \$12,500 to hold. Money is expected to be carried over from district funds this fiscal year and we have received a Henry L. Ahlgren Professional Development Award of \$5000 from ESP to help cover inservice expenses.

Harvard Law School personnel will be contacting faculty and staff in September to learn more about our needs. They will also provide post conference one-on-one sessions.

If there are any openings after the Central District is registered, other districts will be invited to participate for a fee.

Review Innovative Grant Applications

Twelve Innovative Grant proposals were received. The proposals were reviewed and the following were selected for funding:

- Michelle Tidemann, Green Lake County, *Understanding the Latino Culture*, \$480.
- Dawn Schneider, Langlade County, and Angela Cornell, Lincoln County, *Overcoming the Caveman: Youth Leadership Skills in a Competitive, Changing World*, \$1,600.
- Mike Wildeck, Marathon County, *Marathon County UW-Extension Web Site Redevelopment*, \$2,600.
- Keith Vander Velde, Marquette County, *Farmers Market Coordinator*, \$4,600.
- Dan Renzoni, Taylor County, *4-H Youth Development Marketing Plan and Personnel Support for Youth in Governance Grant Efforts*, \$5,959.
- Barb Barker, Waushara County, *EXPLORE: Summer Youth Migrant Initiative*, \$2,300.
- Deb Jones, Central District Office, *Managing Difficult Conversations...Strategies for Dealing with Tough Topics and Managing Interpersonal Conflict*, \$2,500.

Discussion:

The top six grants were funded with the \$20,000 available. Discussed reducing the amount awarded for the grants, after talking with the grant writers, as a possibility for funding additional proposals.

For next year's Innovative Grants, the instructions will be updated to state that the miscellaneous category can not be used in the budget without an explanation. Any proposals using miscellaneous without an explanation will be disqualified.

Motion to resolve – Peter Manley moved to award the grants as ranked and to negotiate decreasing the “Overcoming the Caveman” proposal for up to \$1000. The remaining money will be offered to the other applicants on a ranked basis. Kelly Cole second.

Discussion – none

Motion carried 6-0.

Vote: Yes: Jackie Carattini, Kelly Cole, Ken Hurlbut, Peter Manley, Dan Renzoni, Mike Wildeck

No:

Other Business

Jackie Carattini will find a replacement WNEP representative to finish out her term on the Resource Management Team as she is starting a Family Living position in May.

Next Meeting Date – July 11, 2003

Adjourn