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Central District Resource Management Team September 8, 2008

Present: Don Genrich, Tammy Hansen, Pat Rychter, Tom Schmitz, Jennifer Brindley
Absent: Dick Barden, Marty Havlovic, Dean Slark

Review Minutes of June 23, 2008 Wisline

Minutes approved as written.

Update on Central District Positions

Marquette County 4-H – Has been posted externally.

Taylor County 4-H – Prelims are scheduled for Sept 18 in Stevens Point.

Marquette County FL – Janay Ziebell has resigned. Will be refilling the position at current 80% FTE

Waupaca WNEP Coordinator – Alyson Luchini has begun in this position Sept 1

Portage County CRD – Held a visioning session. Refilling the position has been approved. Will post internally first.

Wood County WNEP Educator – Possibly have an offer pending.

Langlade/Oneida WNEP Coordinator – Has been posted externally.

On October 1 the Marathon and Lincoln Counties WNEP programs will be aligned. Taylor County will align with Clark County.

Status of One-Time and Base Funds

Currently have \$8,034 available in one-time funds and \$576 in base. Received approval from Budget Office to carry over full amount of one-time funds from FY08 (\$11,036) which brings the current total to \$19,070.

Review Draft of Purpose Statements

Discussed two possible purpose statement drafts. Each has good points. Discussed combining them.

Motion to resolve: Don Genrich moved to take the last bullet point from the second option and add it to the first one and use this revised version as the purpose statement. Pat Rychter second.

Discussion: none

Motion carried 3-0

Vote: Yes: Pat Rychter, Tammy Hansen, Don Genrich

No:

Will post the following Mission Statement to the Resource Management Team website:

The purpose of the Central District Resource Management Team is to advise the Central District Director on the development, allocation and efficient use of human, fiscal and technological resources.

Responsibilities of the District Resource Management Team include:

- Ensuring effective representation of their colleagues
- Making recommendations on the use of base funds and one time funds
- Thinking broadly about resource development, allocation and efficient use
- Examining future trends and exploring implications related to district resources
- Evaluating effectiveness of district resource decisions

Central District Video Project

Uses for video – recruitment, orientation, telling our story. Budget is roughly \$1,300. Distance Education and Digital Media staff are donating their time, worth \$1,500. The project is low priced and can be an excellent marketing tool for the Central District.

There will be an attempt to include representation from all Central District counties, either with educators or partners. Video length approximately 10-20 minutes. Discussed whether the video could become dated if educators leave the district. Pat has done video production and commented that updating the video would be easy to do.

Motion to resolve: Don Genrich moved to fund the video project. Tammy Hansen second.

Discussion: Looking for a small dedicated group to work on this. Those interested can contact Jim Goldsmith in Juneau County.

Motion carried 3-0

Vote: Yes: Pat Rychter, Tammy Hansen, Don Genrich

No:

Needs Assessment Follow Up Survey Results

There were 48 responses to the follow up survey, which is better than a 50% response rate. Results were provided in both Excel and PDF format. Discussed the next steps i.e. bringing high ranking groups together for discussion. Decided to start with two groups – Enough Food and Use Alternative Energy. Resource management funds will be used to cover travel and meal costs for these meetings. Discussion questions for these meetings are:

- What are you currently doing in this area?
- Why are you interested in this area?
- What are your county needs in this area?
- What do you hope to gain from this group?
- What is your vision for educational programming on this topic?
- What are your professional development needs on this topic?
- What are your next steps?

If the first meeting goes well, more meetings can be scheduled. Discussed whether future meetings would be funded by Resource Management dollars or if the workgroups would need to submit an innovative grant proposal for funding. No consensus at this time.

Need to check the names of those interested in these two topics to see if there is overlap. If not, can have them meet at the same time so carpooling will be an option. Need to set a date in January for the meetings. Tom will look for key interested people from the survey or contact each of those interested to find a date that works. Discussed bringing in an outside facilitator.

During the next Central District teleconference, Don will report on the background of the survey, Tammy will discuss the five areas of highest interest from the survey and Pat will talk about the upcoming meetings in January.

Future Agenda Items/Issues to Address

- Innovative Grants
- Workgroup final plans
- How much to fund for workgroups. Do they need to apply for funds?
- Discussion of Resource Management Teams in other districts

Other Business

The WNEP representative term is ending this year. Tammy can either continue in this position or look for a new WNEP rep to invite to the December meeting. The WACEC representative term is yearly, so will contact Dick Barden to see if he is interested in continuing.

Tom suggested that the Resource Management Team members look at other districts to see how their RMTs are run.

Future meetings:

- December 3 meeting from 9:30-2:30

Adjourn