

# EXTENSION-LCC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 2, 10:30 a.m.

Room 2151

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**Members present:** Randy Cook, Fran Langman, Gary Nelson and Audrey Kusilek and Carsten Ellison.  
**Staff present:** Justin Everson, Pat Brown, Dave Gifford, Becky Melton, Jeff French, Lori Baltrusis, Sara McDonald and Bronson Thalacker.

**Absent:** Gores and Kirsten Huth

**Others present:** None

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Administrator French. Melton confirmed proper posting of the meeting.

Item #3 Elections of Officers:

- a. Chair: **Motion:** (Langman/Kusilek) to nominate by unanimous white ballot for Supervisor Randy Cook to remain as Chair and Executive Committee Representative and Supervisor Jim Gores to remain as Vice Chair. Discussion. Carried.
- b. Vice Chair: Motion: No motion needed due to previous action.
- c. Executive Committee Representative: Motion: No motion needed due to previous action.

Item #4 Public Comment: Chair Cook encouraged support and attendance of upcoming Dairy Breakfast.

Item #5 **Motion: (Kusilek/Nelson)** to approve the agenda; carried. **Motion: (Langman/Kusilek)** to approve the minutes of 04/07/2026 meeting; carried.

Announcements: Melton reviewed the upcoming Wisconsin Land + Water LCC Training day in Hayward on June 10<sup>th</sup> and the West Central Tour on June 24<sup>th</sup> in Clark County, registration is required.

Item #6 Virtual Meeting Attendance: Administrator French reviewed the County Boards stance on virtual attendance of committee meetings. Discussion. **Motion: (Kusilek/Nelson)** to approve that virtual attendance will be allowed as long as it is not abused; carried.

Item # 7 UWSP Groundwater Center Proposal Discussion: Gifford reviewed the 3 drafted proposals of ground water studies in Barron County. Discussion and questions from committee members were answered by staff members, Everson, Thalacker, French and Gifford.

Item # 8 Certificate of Compliance for Carol Ann Olson was presented for approval. **Motion: (Kusilek/Nelson)** to approve the certificate; carried.

Item #9 Staff Reports

UWEX – Baltrusis gave an update on staffing, campus and programming.

FSA –MacDonald provided an update and overview on several programs.

Executive Committee – French discussed upcoming agenda.

Fair Board – French had no update at this time.

Next meeting date: July 7, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

Future agenda items: *Ground Water Study for budget.*

**Motion:** Unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 11:19a.m.; carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Becky Melton, Administrative Secretary, Land Services

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