

MINUTES
MANITOWOC COUNTY
Extension Education and Agriculture Committee

DATE: Thursday, February 19, 2026

TIME: 4:45pm

PLACE: Manitowoc County Office Complex, 4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc, WI

Committee Members:

- Supervisor Ryan Phipps, Chair
- Supervisor Lee Engelbrecht
- Supervisor Tim Jadowski
- Supervisor Scott Schiesl
- Supervisor Larry Bonde

1. **Meeting called to order** at 4:45 p.m. by Committee Chair Ryan Phipps
2. **Roll call:** Present: Supervisor Ryan Phipps, Supervisor Lee Engelbrecht, Supervisor Tim Jadowski, Supervisor Scott Schiesl, and Supervisor Larry Bonde. Also present: UW Extension Manitowoc County Dairy Educator, Angie Ulness; UW Extension Director, Jayna Hintz
 - **Absent:** NONE
3. **Approval of Agenda.** Motion made by Supervisor Larry Bonde and seconded by Supervisor Tim Jadowski to approve February 19, 2026, meeting agenda.
4. **Public Comment:** NONE
5. **Approval of Minutes.** Motion made by Supervisor Larry Bonde and seconded by Supervisor Lee Engelbrecht to approve Thursday, December 18, 2025, meeting minutes.
6. **Correspondence** – NONE
 - **Program Highlight** UW Extension-Manitowoc County Dairy Educator, Angie Ulness reported on the upcoming VITAL- Valuably Informed Thriving Agriculture Leader- scheduled to take place on March 6, 2026, at the Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center. An educational meeting designed to enhance learning on topics related to production agriculture, with an emphasis on the dairy sector. The VITAL event promises a fun-filled and educational day featuring opportunities to expand industry knowledge, connect with agricultural and dairy-related resources, and build strong professional networks within the dairy community.
7. **UW Extension Department Director Report** provided by Jayn Hintz, UW Extension Director.
 - An impact report highlighting educators' work in Manitowoc County was provided.
 - Shared and discussed reports from the January 13th Community Needs Forum the UW Extension Manitowoc County office held on January 13, 2026. The reports will be sent out to forum participants, county stakeholders, and posted on the UW Extension website.
 - Current Budget progress to date was discussed. Extension came in under budget in 2025 and continues to stay within their budget. A breakdown of each educator's budget was provided.
8. **Date of Next Meeting** – April 16, 2026
9. **Adjourn:** 5:55 p.m.

Recorded by Jayna Hintz, UW Extension Director