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APPROVED by the Board at 2/16/2024 meeting

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

December 6, 2023 @ 4:30 p.m.

Schuyler County Human Services Building, Room 120

Attendees: Chad Hendrickson, Chelsea Stamp, Paul Bartow, Rick Reisinger, Riqui Hess, Sarah Agan, Mark Rondinaro

Excused: Kristin Van Horn, Mark McCullouch, Michael Lausell

Staff: Mel Schroeder, Susan Neal

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm by Chad Hendrickson

Public Comment -- None

Approval of Meeting Minutes

None

Prior Business

None

New Business

- 2024 Budget
The budget was reviewed. Sue and Mel mentioned increases in Ag-Climate Smart Commodities, 21st Century, and FPRC. Several Board members asked questions which were addressed by Mel and Sue. The 2024 Budget was approved. Motion by Paul Bartow, seconded by Mark Rondinaro, approved unanimously.



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- **FLX Gives – November 2023**
Mel reported that this year’s campaign focused on funding a new specialty week at camp, Raised Bed Gardening. Donations totaled approximately \$600. Several ideas were discussed to raise larger sums for Extension, including encouraging sponsorships at camp, reaching out specifically to a younger audience and new culture, holding creative events to familiarize people with Extension.

Reports and Updates – WIGO: (What Is Going On)

- *Finance Committee*
No report
- *Mel Schroeder, Executive Director*
No report
- *Chad Hendrickson, CCEESC Board President*
No report
- *Adam Hughes, State Extension Specialist*
No report
- *Governance Committee, Sarah Agan*
No report
- *Legislative Report, Michael Lausell*
No report
- *PAC Reports*
No report

Next Meeting: January 16, 5:00 pm at Lakewood Vineyards Winery, 4024 NY-14, Watkins Glen.

Motion to adjourned at 5:30pm made by Chad Hendrickson; second Paul Bartow. Motion unanimously approved.

Submitted by Susan Neal, 12.8.23