

1 **EDUCATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE**

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3 Old Courthouse Museum  
4 West Bend, WI

December 2, 2008  
8:30 a.m.

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6 Present: Robert S. Adam, Kenneth W. Brandt (arrived at 9:07 a.m.), Raymond W. Heidtke, and  
7 Daniel R. Knodl.

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9 Excused: Marilyn H. Merten.

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11 Also Present: Administrative Coordinator Doug Johnson, County Board Chairperson Herbert J.  
12 Tennes, Nutrition Education Coordinator Renee Vertin, Historical Society Executive Director Chip  
13 Beckford, Fair Park Director Nancy Justman, Deputy Fair Park Director/Fair Manager Sandy Lang,  
14 and Mary G. Lemke, Chief Deputy County Clerk.

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16 Vice Chairperson Knodl called the meeting to order and read the Affidavit of Posting.

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18 **MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 4, 2008**

19 Moved by Mr. Heidtke, seconded by Mr. Adam to approve the minutes of November 4, 2008, as  
20 presented. Motion carried.

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22 **WNEP EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION – RENEE VERTIN**

23 Ms. Vertin gave an overview of the Wisconsin Nutrition Education Program.

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25 **UWEX PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS – RENEE VERTIN**

26 Ms. Vertin distributed the Monthly Events Brochure and reviewed the activities for December,  
27 2008.

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29 Ms. Vertin informed the committee that there will be a Holiday Luncheon after the January, 6,  
30 2009, Education & Culture meeting.

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32 Ms. Vertin also mentioned that there will be a “Get to Know UW-Extension” reception on Tuesday,  
33 January 13, 2009, in the Government Center, rooms 1014 & 1020, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

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35 **UPDATES FROM HISTORICAL SOCIETY – CHIP BECKFORD**

36 Mr. Beckford distributed copies of the Historical Society update and reviewed the highlights.

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38 Mr. Beckford mentioned that the annual Christmas Open House will be held Sunday, December 7,  
39 2008, and the festivities will start Friday, December 5, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

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41 **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL FUNDS FOR UTILITIES AT**  
42 **FAIR PARK – EAST RV AREA**

43 Mr. Johnson stated that the Agricultural & Industrial Society had some electrical utilities and water  
44 extended to the East RV area for H.O.G. Haven, and recent financial review has confirmed that the  
45 Ag & Industrial Society does not have sufficient funds to pay the balance of actual costs. Mr.  
46 Johnson is recommending re-assigning the remaining county capital funds for Fair Park projects  
47 (\$10,000) to cover a portion of these unfunded costs. There would be no county funding for the  
48 planned new fencing/livestock equipment for 2009.

1 Moved by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Adam to authorize an additional grant of \$10,000 to AIS to  
2 cover a portion of unfunded costs for the East RV area with the understanding that these funds will  
3 not be replaced. Motion carried.

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5 **DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL CHANGES IN CAPITAL PROJECTS PLANNING**  
6 **AND/OR BUILDING OWNERSHIP FOR FAIR PARK**

7 Mr. Johnson addressed the cost over runs for the Ziegler building construction and stated the AIS  
8 is requesting a county grant in the amount of \$410,000 to help cover these cost overruns. Mr.  
9 Johnson discussed some of the options:

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- 12 • Payment up to this limit for confirmed construction bills, Ziegler Center and RV area.
  - 13 • Fund the request by delaying the Schmidt Road/Rolfs Avenue 2009 Capital Improvement  
14 Plan project.
  - 15 • Repeal 2010-2014 capital plans funds for Fair Park projects.

16 Ms. Justman arrived @ 9:27 a.m.

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- 18 • Reassign Fair Park capital planning for projects to County Facilities Management and the  
19 Education & Culture Committee starting with 2010-2015 update, emphasizing essential  
20 building and grounds maintenance.
  - 21 • Assure that Fair Park's 2008 bills due to the County are satisfied prior to the close of the  
22 county fiscal year.
  - 23 • Assure that refunds to AIS for disputed construction bills and payments received on current  
24 or future Ziegler Center donation pledges are applied to satisfy outstanding debt  
25 obligations.
  - 26 • Continue to closely monitor Fair Park financial status for the remainder of 2008 and for  
27 2009 (Education & Culture Committee, Administrative Coordinator, with assistance as  
28 needed from the County Finance Department).

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30 Moved by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. Adam to recommend funding \$410,000 from the 2009  
31 County capital plan by delaying the Schmidt Road/Rolfs Avenue project to cover the Fair Park  
32 shortfall and then to recover the \$410,000 from Fair Park over the next five years and forward to the  
33 County Board. Motion carried.

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35 **NEXT MEETING DATES AND TIMES**

36 The next meeting of the Education & Culture Committee will be Tuesday, January 6, 2008, at  
37 10:00 a.m., at the Public Agency Center with a luncheon to follow.

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39 **ADJOURNMENT**

40 Moved by Mr. Heidtke, seconded by Mr. Adam to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. Motion carried.

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44 Brenda J. Jaszewski, County Clerk