

**La Crosse County 4-H Parents and Leaders Association Board
Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, August 8, 2019 Hamilton Town Hall, West Salem, WI

Present: Jeff Janvrin, Amy Thesing, Tom Fechner, Mel Hart-Pollock, Linda Saley, Sheryl Solberg, Emily Crook, Sue Kramer, Gretchen Heilman (via phone)

Absent: Nancy Wakefield, Lyndsi Heitkamp, Leah Nerby, Dustin Heitkamp, Wendy Kane

West Salem Rep: Open

Open Forum: Willis Pollock shared highlights from his recent conference; Jeff Janvrin share a fair protection request on behalf of Cloverbud, Exploring and Photography departments.

Called to Order: 7:00 P.M.

Approval of Agenda: Linda made a motion to approve, Jeff seconded it. Approved.

Secretary's Report: Motioned to approve with date correction made by Tom, seconded by Linda. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: The June report was presented. Motioned to approve by Jeff, seconded by Tom. Approved. The July report was presented and motioned for approval by Tom and seconded by Amy. Approved. New budget sheets for 2019-2020 were sent out with the minutes for this meeting.

Extension Office:

Summer Camp Report: The weather was wet but it was a good time. No major issues this year. Emily got a good idea of how next year's camp will go.

Record Books: The Extension Office has been fielding a lot of questions from new families. Hopefully these families will turn in a record book.

New Family Report: No report currently.

Agricultural Society Rep Report:

Gretchen had sent out an email earlier and highlighted a few Ag updates: There will be future discussions about vet testing for animals due to an incident that year's fair.

There is a need for clarification about showmanship numbers and DATCP. Funding is not necessary for fair signs as per request, but other projects could use signage.

Request for additional funding (\$81.79) for the fair displays made by Boy Scouts for this fair year.

4-H Ambassador Report: Sept. 26 of the next meeting. Anyone interested in learning about leadership can attend these meetings.

Committee Reports:

4-H Expo (October 12) - Will be held at the fairgrounds. Motion to provide cookies at no cost made by Amy, seconded by Linda. Approved. There will be a variety of 4-H experiences available including goats and archery.

Fair Food Stand - Numbers were down this year due to the weather. Linda has been busy selling some of the leftover food items. She still has cases of cheese curds left if anyone is interested in purchasing. There were some issues with one vendor this year not providing the correct trailer, frozen items not being returnable.

Oktoberfest Races - Ag Society will work Friday 9-2. Gretchen is working on filling these time slots. Thursday could also be open and if help is needed over the weekend, it will be advertised in the Cloverline. Soups and various sandwiches will be on the menu.

Achievement Night - Oct. 17 at Lunda Center, Western Technical College. RSVP is needed this year.

Other - Discussion of Friends of 4-H for 2019 to be honored at the Christmas party; Superintendent training slated for January

Unfinished Business:

Scholarship Process: The deadline will be moved up to March 1. A total of up to \$1500 (\$300 each) will be awarded to up to 5 students.

New Business:

Fair Exhibition Protection proposal made by Jeff Janvrin. Motion for approval made by Amy, seconded by Tom. Approved.

Discussion of encouraging superintendents to research the changes they would like made to their space and to bring that information to the Leaders' Board. Other needs mentioned included a sound system and examining the stage set up.

Plat Books: A postcard went out regarding ordering online. They do not need to be reprinted yet as many are still available. New posters promoting may be in the works.

Future Agenda Items: none noted.

Next meeting will be September 5, 2019 at the County Building, La Crosse

Motion to adjourn made by Sue, seconded by Jeff. Approved. 8:35 P.M.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Sheryl Solberg