

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

**August 14, 2025– Hamilton Town Hall (N5281 State Rd 108, W Salem)**

**(Open Forum 6:45, Meeting 7:00 p.m.)**

**Open Forum:** Mya Hoth - Summer Academy presentation

**Attendance:** Sue Kramer, Stacey Sheffield, Eric Crammond, Nancy Wakefield, Pam Hoth, Mya Hoth, Jenny Wright, Emily Crook, Lynette Berg, Erin Gellings, Carolyn Christopherson, Ruth Roths

**Call to order:** 7:00pm by Stacey Sheffield

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Carolyn, seconded by Nancy, approved.

**Secretary's Report\*:** June; Moved by Pam, seconded by Nancy, approved.

**Treasurer's Report\*:** June & July; Moved by Lynette, seconded by Carolyn, approved.

**Extension Office update and report:**

- Foods Revue Report
  - 27 youth participated.
- Clothing Revue Report
  - 4 youth participated. This is a 50% increase from last year.
- Summer Camp Report
  - 29 people attended. 22 were youth, and 7 were chaperones and other adult volunteers. Camp went well!
- Achievement Ceremony Report
  - Everything went well.
- Goosechase Report
  - Many participants and people seemed to enjoy the experience
- AFR & Re-Enrollment deadline reminders
  - AFR's are due September 2nd. 4-H online is getting some updates, including updates to trainings. Background checks will be done every 2 years. Reenrollment will open September 5th. Leaders need to start the reenrollment process by November 1st.
- Goals for 2025-2026 Leaders Board
  - Brainstorming of what potential goals could be moving forward. Emily asked that folks think of ideas and bring them to the next meeting.
  - Annual Leader Meeting
    - These occurred prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, and included someone from every club. The focus was on creating community and connections. Discussion of reviving this to encourage fun and share a meal.
  - Officer Workshop
    - Emily is looking to host a workshop virtually this fall.

**Agricultural Society Rep. Report:** No updates. The next meeting will be August 20th, 2025 when there is also the Superintendent appreciation night.

**4-H Ambassador Report:**

- A scavenger hunt was done at the dairy breakfast, which was enjoyed by participants. Next meeting will be Aug 24, 6pm.

**Committee Reports:**

- Fair thoughts/ideas/concerns
  - Discussion of livestock auction
- Food Stand - thoughts/ideas/concerns, survey feedback
  - Evaluation meeting will be held September 4th at 7pm at the food stand.
  - Sue was able to pay all outstanding bills. Tentative earnings are approximately \$22,900. There is about 300 pounds of meat leftover, which will be used for Oktoberfest and Sue will reach out to community partners to see if anyone is interested in purchasing it.
  - Positive feedback of the interior layout of the foodstand.
  - Discussion of the benches and seating near the food stand. Carolyn will bring up removal of the benches to the Ag society.
  - Continued difficulties with finding something for the Cloverbuds to do. This could include a buddy system or having them stock items.
  - Discussion of buying more tongs, changing the nacho trays and cheese curds, and providing better written instructions for certain stations.

**Unfinished Business**

- None

**New Business:**

- New Food Stand Building Proposal Committee
  - Ag society member has requested a proposal of what 4H would like to have in a new building.
  - There is a volunteer to pursue grants for a new building.
  - Eric, Sue, and Lynette are interested in joining the committee. The committee will be open to any 4H members, and Emily will advertise the committee in the Cloverline.

**Future Agenda items:**

- None

Adjourned at 8:34pm. Lynette motioned, Pam seconded, approved.

**Next Meeting: September 11, 2025**

**\*Attached**