

Green County 4-H Adult Leaders Minutes -- Unapproved

June 23, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Ann Goers at 7:30pm.

Tonya Gratz moved to approve the secretary's minutes, seconded by Tina Herbst. Motion passed.

Adult Leader's Treasurer's report was given by Correna Storkson. Ending Balance as of May 2025: \$50,764.30. Michelle Monson moved to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Desiree Bochman. Motion passed.

Business:

1. Organizational Planning

- a. 4-H Executive Board & Financial Committee Election Results
 - President Elect – Ann Goers (WC)
 - Member-at-Large – Kaila Nuckles (Clarno)
 - Budget Committee – Jim Crubaugh (Countywide) & Dawn Smith (WC)
 - Audit Committee – Tonya Gratz (YA) & Lindsey Nevil (JJJ)
- b. 4-H Standing Committees Seeking Self-Nominations (*link will be in July/Aug newsletter*)
 - 4-H Awards & Recognition Committee
 - 4-H Camp Financial Committee
 - 4-H Promotion Committee

2. Raising & Managing 4-H Funds

- a. 2025 4-H Mini Grants (Clubs & Projects) are available: <https://go.wisc.edu/k4x3p1>
- b. We reviewed the proposed 2025-2026 4-H Adult Leaders Budget. Amy Barnes moved to approve the budget, seconded by Michelle Monson. Motion passed.

3. Market & Promote 4-H

- a. Kids Day 4-H Promotion Activity Station – Saturday, July 19th, morning at Exhibition Hall – Need help with leading 4-H Activities (balloons, tattoos, etc.) <https://go.wisc.edu/1ih0jo>
- b. Explore 4-H Day – Sunday, October 5th, Noon-2:30pm at the Fairgrounds. Many volunteers are needed. Save the date

4. Countywide Program Support – *Need help promoting....*

- a. 4-H Base Camp (Gr. 3-6) & 4-H Adventure Camp (Gr. 7-8) – August 6-9, 2025
 - Register in 4HOnline – closes June 30 - Multi-tier fee scale to keep camp accessible.
 - Fundraiser: 4-H Hot Dog Foodstand on Pre-Fair Judging Day – July 12 (*cash only*)
- b. 4-H Club Kickball Tournament – Wed. August 13, 6pm at Twining Park, Monroe
- c. 4-H Cloverbud Camp – Sat. August 16, 9am-Noon – Kiwanis Cabin (*see July newsletter*)

5. County Level Recognition

- a. Green County 4-H Graduation & Recognition Ceremony – Sunday, July 20th, 11:00am at the Entertainment Tent, Green County Fair. All enrolled 4-H youth who just completed 12th grade will be recognized as 4-H graduates. Please encourage to attend!!

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4-H Educator Report

6. **4-H Annual Financial Report** – Due to Extension Office by August 25 – Must do your own club audit, reviewing ALL receipts, treasurer reports and bank statements, before submitting.
7. **4-H Club & Group Bylaws** – Due to Extension Office by November 1, 2025. Encouraged to use templates. Must be inline with County 4-H policies.
8. **4-H Charter Application** – Submit online between September 1 – November 1, 2025. Pre-planning will include smart goals and possible activity list for the upcoming year, plus confirmation of meeting time and handi-cap accessible meeting location.
9. **4-H Newsletter** – July/August Newsletter – tentatively posted by June 30th
10. **Green County Fair**
 - a. **Jr. Fair Judging Schedule** – READ carefully!!! Please note...
 - i. Some departments hold judging BEFORE County Fair (Dept. 6, 9, 10, 13 & 26)
 - ii. Exhibitor Packets can be picked up the week before Pre-Fair Saturday at the Fair Office
 - iii. Dept. 20 – Photography will now be judged Face-to-Face on Saturday, July 12
 - iv. Dept. 16 – Flowers & Houseplants – NEW this year will be Face-to-Face judged from 8-10am on Monday, July 14
 - v. Dept. 25 – Foods Dept. – Educational Exhibits, Preservation & Consumer Savvy will be Face-to-Face Judged on Mon. July 14, 8-10am, but Baked Goods must be checked-in 8-10am and Conference Judged at 10:30am
 - b. **Jr Fair General Rules & Instructions** including...Conference Judging & Face-to-Face expectations (what if cannot attend...do a notecard) and Dress Code
 - c. **Department Rules & Expectations** – Review EVERY department in which you are exhibiting!!
 - d. **Barn Assignment** – Expect to be posted by Saturday, July 12th by Noon
 - i. Need materials for decorating? [Free construction paper, tag board & bulletin board paper](#), thanks to a donation from the Albany schools – Please contact Extension if interested.
 - e. **Green County Meat Animal Auction**
 - i. Due Friday, June 27th – 2 Auction Buyer Cards, Horizontal photo & Swine Tyson Form
 - ii. Auction will again be in Barn 7; It is important that youth follow the [Dress Code for Youth Exhibitors](#) (see pg. 6)
 - f. **Educational Animal Science Programs** – Please help us promote!!
 - i. **Herdsmanship** (all dairy & livestock, except Poultry) – Distributed via 1 assigned family packet per club.
Please judge assigned day and return same day. Clubs that participate in judging AND get average score of 75 point or better earn free ice cream, thanks to Green County Dairy Youth Auction Committee!
 - ii. **Premier Exhibitor** (all dairy & livestock) – Friday, July 18, 5:00-7:00pm @ Stock Pavilion – If 75% of club's animal exhibitors participate, each club species gets 5 extra points added to their Herdsmanship average. Thanks to sponsors, have 44 gift cards for Junior, Senior & Platinum prizes to award at end of Master Showman Contest.
 - iii. **Master Showman** – Saturday – July 19, 5:00pm @ Barn 7

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- g. **4-H Volunteer Opportunities at County Fair**
 - i. **Older Youth Cloverbud Judges** - Saturday, July 12, 9am-2pm – Need older youth to talk with our 4-H Cloverbuds about their exhibits. Youth must be comfortable talking with younger youth. [Sign up to help](#).
 - ii. **Exhibition Hall Monitoring by 4-H Clubs** – Sign-up 1 shift per club. Every 30-45 minutes, do a "walk-through", picking up litter, sweep, fixing fallen exhibits and answering fairgoers' questions.
 - iii. **Premier Exhibitor Contest** - Friday, July 18, 4:40- 7:20pm - Adults to help register participants, supervise activity and score tests. No content expertise needed! [Please sign-up to help](#).
 - iv. **4-H Promotion Activities** - Saturday, July 19th, morning at Exhibition Hall - Need help with 4-H promotion activities (balloon, tattoos, etc.). [Sign up to help](#).
 - h. **[County Fair Volunteer Opportunities](#)** – Seeking adults to work gates, transport guest, pick up garbage, etc.
- 11. Wisconsin State Fair – Youth Expo Project Exhibits - County Fair Judge's Favorite Exhibits-** Each judge in eligible departments can give out one Judge's Favorite Award. Exhibits eligible for WSF with no entry fees, but **MUST** complete the required paperwork in Fair Office by Sunday, July 20. County Fair requests exhibitors provide their own transportation.
- 12. [4-H Record Books](#)** – Cloverbud and County Record Books, and Compliance Reports due August 25 to Extension
- i. **4-H Record Book Drop-In Zoom Hours** – Thur. July 31st, 6:00-8:00pm [via Zoom](#).
 - j. **[Members in 5K-2nd Grade](#)** – Encouraged, but not required, to complete a 4- H Cloverbud Record Book. Youth who submit a 4-H Cloverbud Record Book will be recognized at the County Level. Must be physically turned in by August 25.
 - k. **Member in 3rd-13th Grade** are required to fill out a record book to remain a member in good standing.
 - i. **OPTION 1** – 4-H County Record Book – This is our county's optimal record book for offering reflection, record keeping and recognition opportunities. Youth who fill out this county record book are eligible for county awards.
 - ii. **OPTION 2** – 4-H Minimal Record Book – Offers a basic level of reflection and record keeping opportunities, but is not eligible for county level recognition. **MUST** be recorded on Record Book Compliance Form by August 25.
 - iii. **OPTION 3** – 4-H Club Approved Record Book –A club approved record book must be approved by members and 4-H Educator. **MUST** be recorded on Record Book Compliance Form by August 25.
 - l. **4-H Record Book Re-Design Team** – Seeking volunteers to meet in August to explore possible updates to 4-H Record Book process to continue to support member reflection & recognition, while improving process.

Michelle Monson moved to adjourn, seconded by Liz Niemeier. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm

Next Meeting: Monday, August 25, 2025 7:30-9:00pm (In-person & Via Zoom)

Submitted by: Dawn Smith

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Attendees:

- Correna Storkson
- Dawn Smith
- Ellen Andrews
- Ann Goers
- DarLyne Schneider
- Val Deal
- Allison Bradt
- Barb Buetow
- Desiree Bochman
- Rhonda Bartels
- Michelle Monson
- Kaila Nuckles
- Amy Krajeck
- Lisa Holcomb
- Tonya Gratz
- Lindsey Nevil
- DeAnne Larson
- Liz Niemeier
- Sarah Sughroue
- Tina Herbst
- Meghan Leitner
- Alana Durtschi
- Amy Barnes
- Valerie Wymer
- Eileen Horn
- Laura Vosberg
- Heather Watson
- Nicole Ruegsegger
- Jennifer Straws
- Holly Walker