Green County 4-H Adult Leaders Minutes -- Unapproved August 25, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Tyler Sievers at 7:31pm.

Ann Goers moved to approve the secretary's minutes, seconded by Eileen Horn. Motion passed.

Adult Leader's Treasurer's report was given by Correna Storkson. Ending Balance as of July 2025: \$55,401.81. Michelle Monson moved to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Lindsey Nevil. Motion passed.

4-H Travel Scholarship presentations were made by Mirielle Smith about National 4-H Conference and Citizen Washington Focus (CWF).

Business:

1. Market & Promote 4-H

- a. Club Promotional Info (Quotes, Photos, & Club Changes) Due Sept 8th to Sam
- b. 4-H Promotional Resources for Check-Out (Brochures, Stickers, Balloons, Flutter flag, Table signs, Yard Signs) Contact Sam to reserve
- c. Explore 4-H Day Sunday, October 5th, Noon-2:30pm at the Fairgrounds. Many volunteers are needed. Contact Ellen to volunteer!
- d. National 4-H Week: October 5-11, 2025
 - Club Window/Business/School Display Entries due Oct. 6 @ Noon
 - 1. Submit picture of display and group who worked on it with the submission
 - 4-H T-Shirt or Wear Green Day Wednesday, Oct. 8

2. Organizational Planning

- a. Changes to permissions for Contracts and Certificates of Insurances for 4-H Clubs and Groups (see <u>Liability</u> Insurance Guidance memo)
- b. 4-H Standing Committees Seeking Self-Nominations (*link will be in Sep/Oct newsletter*): 4-H Awards & Recognition Committee, 4-H Camp Financial Committee & 4-H Promotion Committee

3. Raising & Managing 4-H Funds

- a. 2025 Colony Brands Mini Grants (Club & Project) Must be submitted by Oct. 31st
- 4. Countywide Program Support Need help promoting....
 - a. 4-H Cloverbud Fall Fun Night Fri. Oct. 24th, 6:00-7:15pm
 - b. 4-H Club Leadership Team (Officers & Adult Leaders) Training Tue. Nov. 11, 6:30-8:00pm
 - c. 4-H Boxes for Meals on Wheels Monday, Nov. 17 @ 6:00pm Monetary and Food Donations requested by November 7th. Seeking an adult volunteer(s) to take over coordinating this event in 2026.
- d. 4-H New Family Orientation & Pizza Party Thur. Nov 20, 6:00-7:30pm @ Justice Center

5. County Level Recognition

- a. <u>4-H Record Book Review Days</u> Sept. 16, 22 & 24 Need adults to review! Day-time hours are also available upon request.
- b. 4-H Cloverbud Record Book Review Sept. 22 Seeking Gr. 7 & older to help
- c. **4-H Awards Ceremony** Saturday, Nov. 15th, 1:30pm at the Justice Center
- d. **4-H Travel Scholarships** *Tentatively Applications: Nov. 3rd, Interviews Nov.* 12th
- e. 4-H Record Book Re-Design Committee update (contact Ellen if interested in joining)

4-H Educator Report

- **14. 4-H Newsletter** September/October Newsletter tentatively posted by August 29th
- 15. NEW 2025-2026 4-H Enrollment, Project & Policy Guide Please give one to EVERY family!!
 - a. Quick links for Step-by-Step Enrollment Instructions & Becoming a Volunteer
 - b. Statewide restructured project list see What's New for the 2025-2026 4-H Year video
 - c. Green County 4-H 2025-2026 Program Policy Overview, which includes...
 - Clubs charged \$15 per youth in returning 4-H families. "Returning families" are those families enrolled as of April 2025. Extension will send club invoices after November 1st; payable to "Green County Extension," by December 1st.
 - ii. November 1st re-enrollment deadline; January 15th new member enrollment deadline for Member-in-Good Standing
 - iii. No project enrollment deadline
 - iv. Cloverbuds must be enrolled by April 1st to exhibit at the County Fair

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v. Continuation of attendance requirement (four (4) 4-H meetings, events or workshops; min of 2 club meetings)

16. NEW & Continuing 4-H Volunteer Enrollment Deadline & Training Requirements

- a. NEW things...
 - i. All 4-H Adult Volunteers will need to complete just 1 online training annually. This Volunteer Training will be found right in your 4HOnline profile, take approx. 40 min., and will automatically mark complete.
 - ii. All returning 4-H Adult Volunteers, as per new WI 4-H policy, must...Re-enroll by November 1st and Complete the required training and background check (if needed) by December 1st
- b. Continuing things...
 - i. Background check required every 2 years. If you are due, 4HOnline will prompt you to start the process and then you'll get an email from *HireRight* to complete the background check.
 - ii. New 4-H Adult Volunteer will still need to meet with Ellen before enrollment can be approved.
- **17. NEW** <u>4-H Club & Group Bylaws</u> Due to Extension Office by November 1, 2025. Encouraged to use the 4-H template. Must be inline with County 4-H policies.
- **18.** <u>4-H Charter Application</u> 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 handicap accessible meeting location.
 - a. Involve youth in setting Expanding Access and Program Quality SMART Goals.
 - b. Involve youth and families in deciding whether Club Fundraising Activities are wanted and needed.
 - c. Indicate any activities or projects that your club might do this year.

19. Encourage Participation in State 4-H Opportunities

- a. 4-H Educational Travel Experiences & Scholarships (i.e. <u>Ignite</u>: Animal Science, STEM or CWF March 2026)
- b. 4-H Art Camp October 4-5, 2025 at Upham Woods for 6th-8th grades. Register in 4HOnline by Aug. 28th.
- c. <u>4-H Fall Forum</u> October 31-Novmeber 2, 2025 at Green Lake Conference Center for 4-H Adult Volunteers & youth in 7th grade & older. Registration opens in 4HOnline September 8th. Carpooling may be an option! Registration, plus double occupancy lodging will be FREE for...
 - i. All enrolled Green County 4-H Adult Volunteers
 - ii. First 10 Green County 4-H youth who register (email Ellen to request enrollment approved!!!)
- **20.** Livestock Auction Financial Form Turn in directly to Green County Extension Office by Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 4:30pm. Auction forms should NOT to be accepted by 4-H Leaders! This form must be completed to be eligible to sell animals in next year's Green County Fair Auction. Use a separate form for EACH livestock project sold in the auction. Livestock species include: Market Steers, Barrows, Lambs, Poultry, Rabbits and Goats.
- **21. Green County Fair** July 15-19, 2026
 - a. Clubs can pick up Junior Exhibitor Checks at the Extension Office
 - b. Fair Board considering moving back to Conference Style Judging for non-animal exhibits

DarLyne Schneider moved to adjourn, seconded by Barb Buetow. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm **Next Meeting:** Monday, November 3, 2025 7:30-9:00pm (Zoom ONLY)

Submitted by: Dawn Smith

Attendees:

Correna Storkson

Mirielle Smith

• Dawn Smith

• Ellen Andrews

• Ann Goers

• Jennifer Schutz

Michelle Monson

• Liz Niemeier

• Desiree Bochman

Kaila Nuckles

Jason Gough

Amy Krajeck

• Kenna Kirsnis

• Barb Buetow

• Tyler Sievers

• Nicole Ruegsegger

• Eileen Horn

• DeAnne Larson

DarLyne Schneider

Laura Vosberg

Taylor Hughes

• Tonya Gratz

• Lindsey Nevil

• Rose Peterson

• Cathy Crubaugh

Val Deal

• Sarah Sughroue

• Rhonda Bartels

• Lisa Holcomb