

FDL County 4-H Adult Leaders General Meeting Minutes
April 30, 2025 6:30pm
UW Extension - Fond du Lac

Present: Rebecca Alf, Tami Averbeck, Alexis Bauer, Judy Bertram, Amy Bille, Melissa Costello, Cindy Holzman, Kelby Holzman, Tracy Keifenheim, Sarah Kraus, McKinley Krueger, Jennifer Ladwig, Katy Lammers, Deb Mess, Alyssa Niemiec, Rhonda Perr, Lori Quackenboss, Sara Retelle, Deb Senn, Hannah Stommel, Ryan Stommel

Call to order: 6:35pm by Cindy Holzman

Secretary Report: Deb Senn moved to approve, Rhonda Perr seconded

Treasurer Report (as of 4/17/2025)

- Checking: \$5,982.40
- Savings: \$51,957.76, of which \$20,288.69 is restricted
- Board voted on 4/23/2025 to transfer \$40,000 from savings to foundation account to benefit from higher yield
- Deb Senn moved to approve report, Jennifer Ladwig seconded

4-H Educator Report

- Family Learning Day had 100 youth participants, 47 sessions, and 40 volunteers
- The first project leader training was held at Family Learning day and had 6 adults attend. More dates will be coming later in 2025.
- Approval was received for the 4-H Summer Intern, budgeted for \$5,000. Application is open through 5/15/2025.
- The Foods Revue theme this year is blueberry
- Summer Camp applications are opening soon. There will be multiple offerings with a variety of themes.
- A Wildlife Club will be established in the near future in partnership with the WI DNR
- Seeds for the Cloverbud Pumpkin Contest can be picked up at tonight's general meeting. A Giant Pumpkin Growing Workshop will be held on 5/8/2025 in collaboration with Fond du Lac Festivals.
- New Family Fair Orientation will be held 6/4/2025 and will include a short tour of the fairgrounds. Registration closes 5/30/2025.

Committee Updates

- Raffle - Judy Bertram
 - Tickets need to be picked up at tonight's general meeting
 - Due to price increase to \$5 per ticket, each member is encouraged to sell a minimum of 2 tickets this year
 - No additional tickets will be printed, but there are some extras available at the extension office
 - Each club should turn in one check and ticket stubs to the extension office by 6/27/2025

- Raffle drawing will be held at the August general meeting
- Fair Food Stands - Jennifer Ladwig
 - SignUpGenius will be used again this year for both Adult Leaders and TLA food stands. The forms have not been set up yet.
 - A combination of approximately 8-10 adults and youth are needed per shift to run the Adult Leaders Food Stand. The Saturday night shift has been understaffed for the past several years.
- Silent Auction - no committee members present
 - Multiple lower valued baskets are suggested as they perform better than higher valued ones
 - Deadline to let Cindy Koffmann know what your club is donating is 7/1/2025
 - Shifts for the Silent Auction table at the fair will be coordinated using SignUpGenius again this year
- Achievement Banquet - Deb Senn
 - This year's venue is Holy Family Catholic Church on 4th Street in Fond du Lac
 - Reserved for Sunday, October 19th from 10:30am-4:00pm, with event starting at 12:00pm
 - This date does not currently interfere with other club achievement nights
 - Adult Leaders will cover the cost of the same items as last year (table linens, utensils, etc.)
 - The committee is attempting to secure Recreation Center at the FDL County Fairgrounds for the 2026 Achievement Banquet
- Awards and Scholarships - Alexis Bauer
 - Scholarship application is due 5/15/2025
 - Nominations for Friend of 4-H, Meritorious Leader, and Outstanding Alumni are due 9/2/2025
 - Leverne Senn was recently inducted into the Wisconsin 4-H Hall of Fame

Project Workshops

- Ceramic Workshop
 - High demand - registration for the first session was full within 2 days
 - Second workshop is postponed indefinitely due to a fire at the ceramic business
- Seeking ideas for future workshops lasting approximately 2-3 hours
 - Possible culinary workshop at MPTC, but the kitchen is not open to youth below 12 years old
- Tracy Keifenheim is looking to form a new committee to organize approximately 3-4 workshops each year

Adjourn: 7:26pm, Kelby Holzman moved, Judy Bertram seconded

Next General Meeting: August 20, 2025 at UW Extension - Fond du Lac. Fair Forum at 6:30pm, General Meeting to follow