

Executive Board Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2025 6:30pm
UW Extension - Fond du Lac

Present: Judy Bertram, Cindy Holzman, Jennifer Ladwig, JoAnn Maedke, Hannah Stommel, Ryan Stommel

Excused: Yvonne Greenfield, Kelby Holzman, Tracy Keifenheim, McKinley Krueger

Call to order: 6:46pm by Cindy Holzman

Secretary Report: Judy Bertram moved to approve, Jennifer Ladwig seconded

Treasurer Report: Judy Bertram moved to approve, Jennifer Ladwig seconded

FY 2025-26 Budget Review

- Reviewed terms of Thuerwachter Scholarship - will discuss awarding it to students studying agriculture, regardless of which university they attend at a future meeting
- Need to secure liability insurance for Fond du Lac County 4-H and all county clubs as coverage changed this year. State's policy no longer covers fundraising activities.
- May have to add storage expense to budget in the near future due to upcoming move of UW Extension office to the Fond du Lac City-County Government Center

Committee Updates

- Food Stands - JoAnn Maedke (TLA) & Jennifer Ladwig (Adult Leaders)
 - Both were successful overall, still need to run the numbers
 - Sales weren't favorable on the day of the tornado warning and there wasn't clear communication on whether the stands should have shut down at that time
 - Frozen grapes exceeded expectations - sold over 100 lbs
 - Signing up for roles in advance complicated things. Committee suggested assigning roles after volunteers show up moving forward
- Raffle - Judy Bertram
 - Approximately 300 tickets still haven't been sold/distributed, totaling \$1,500
 - Once we have final numbers, we will compare with last year's raffle results to determine whether having \$5 tickets vs. \$1 tickets (or 6 for \$5) was more successful.
- Friend of 4-H
 - Need a volunteer to write a letter soliciting donations
 - Will stuff envelopes at the November general meeting

Adult Leader Award Nominees

- Categories: Meritorious, Lifetime, Friend of 4-H, Hall of Fame
- Will discuss at next general meeting and confirm nominees

Record Book Reading

- September 6, 2025 at 8:30am at UW Extension - Fond du Lac
- Volunteers are needed to read and evaluate books

4-H Graduation Ceremony

- Discussed purchasing an eight foot backdrop with frame that can be used at 4-H graduation ceremony and other county events. Approximate cost is under \$400

Scheduled November General Meeting: November 6, 2025 at 6:30pm at UW Extension - Fond du Lac

Adjourn: 7:46pm, Hannah Stommel moved to approve, Jennifer Ladwig seconded

Next Executive Board Meeting: October 21, 2025 6:30pm at UW Extension - Fond du Lac

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