

## **Thursday, September 18th, 2025 Leaders Association Meeting**

Deb Poull call to order at 7:36pm

### **Pledges**

**\*To comply with the Ozaukee County 4-H Leaders Association Bylaws there must be representation from at least 8/11 (a quorum of  $\frac{2}{3}$ ) clubs in the county.**

### **Roll Call**

Cloverleaf - 4  
Covered Bridge - 3  
Deckers Corners - 1  
Holy Cross - 1  
Jay Road - 2  
Knellsville - 2  
Lakeview - 0  
Lindenwood - 5  
Little Kohler - 1  
Town & Country - 0  
Waubeka - 5  
Shooting Sports - 0

### **Approval of the Secretary's Report from June 19th, 2025**

Brenda Mueller moved to approve the secretary's report with mentioned changes,  
Trish Weiland 2nd; unanimously approved

### **Approval to file treasurer's report as of July 17th, 2025:**

Business Checking PWSB: \$63,203.28  
Business Money Market PWSB: \$112,768.15  
Baird: \$ (from statement) \$ NA-Moved  
Total Assets: \$175,971.43  
Sub Accounts: \$31,653.54

Main amounts going out: Haunt, Base Camp, Business Awards, Fair related items

Deposits mainly for: Clover Cafe, Fair Parking, Fair Activities (pie auction), Lemonade Stand, Fair Project Auction, Shooting Sports, Brat Fry

Lori Housseni moved to file the August 17th treasurer's report  
Rose Paulus 2nd; unanimously approved

### **4-H Program Educator Update - Abi Quinlan**

- Report linked, due to the length of the information presented (approximately 4 pages long):  
[Ozaukee County 4-H Educator Report - July 2025](#)
- Additional information shared: Certified drivers for 4-H - state is now requiring any volunteer to apply every November

## Committee Reports -

- Countywide Activities
  - Thank You Event - Danielle Gettelman
    - A few more to be handed out
    - Thank you to all volunteers
  - Mr. and Miss Ozaukee - Dorothy Parchim
    - 3 great contestants
    - Jacob C. will participate again
    - Next year will be 50 years
    - Heads up that finding judges is challenging
  - National 4-H Week - Erin Puro
    - Thank you Brenda Mueller
  - Pinewood Derby - Sue Dowe
    - March 28th, 2026 - build day
    - April 11th, 2026 - physics day
    - April 12th, 2026 - race day
  - Youth Tournaments - Becky Assmann/Mary Hamm
    - April 18th or 25th volleyball tournament at Port High School
  - Dance - Dorothy Parchim
    - Will be held on February 21st, 2026
    - Location: Fairgrounds
    - **LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN THE COMMITTEE**
  - The Haunt - Rose Paulus
    - August 14th (tentative start for build)
    - Mequon Beacon will be doing a feature article to help advertise
    - Gabe N.: 3rd or 4th year helping with The Haunt
    - Update on The Haunt build and request for Volunteers.
      - Need adults to help build!
      - Gift cards will be distributed for build and tear down!
      - Openings for actors & Goulie Masters
      - Sunday October 5th training few spots left
      - Please check sign up genius for meals and snack providers that are still needed
  - Fundraising - Brenda Mueller
    - No updates, after fair more will be set up
    - That's My Pan:
      - No changes.
    - Kwik Trip Cards:
      - Ongoing. Need to use these up!!!
    - Flower Power:
      - New fundraiser will begin for October and December
    - All General Leaders have this information as well if more direction is needed.
  - **Travel Experience Scholarships** - Danielle Gettelman
    - Applications due Oct. 31st to the Extension
    - Interviews will be held Nov. 11th in Port Washington
    - Encourage youth to take advantage of the trip offerings and funding!
  - **Jellybean Jamboree** - Sue Karolczak

- Prep night March 20th, 2026
  - Jamboree March 21st, 2026
- **Lemonade Stand** - Deanna Lee, Erin Puro, Lisa Fellenz, Laura Prah! co-chairing
- - Report: Wine & Harvest Fest Lemonade stand is happening!
  - \$4,710.45 was made for Strawberry Fest
- **Open House** - Jessica Heller & Sarah H
  - North: Tuesday, September 9th 6:30-7:30pm - great turnout
  - South: Wednesday, September 10th 6:30-8:00pm - great turnout
  - Suggested earlier time end of 6:30-7:30pm versus 8pm
  - People want to know if there are Project Leaders or not for projects
  - For signup for volunteers distinguishing if materials are needed or not for a station
  - Goal: to have more youth member volunteers next year
- **T-shirts** - Nicole Simon
  - Plan to order only 1 time per year.
  - Cost was increased significantly for a second order this past year
  - New adult members will pay for their shirts in off years (this year)
- **Leaders Banquet** - Lori Hosseini
  - Connect with her if you would want to join the planning committee
- Fair
  - **Food Stand** - Dorothy Parchim/Steve Wilke
    - Thank you to all volunteers.
    - \$48,594. Prices remained fixed.
    - Final Profit \$27,528.26.
    - **Looking for 4-5 more volunteer** members to join the Food Stand Committee!
  - County Fair Parking - Danielle Gettelman
    - \$1200 from Ag Society out of \$5000 made comes to the Leaders Association
    - Letter is presented & read aloud to the General Leaders Association for input
      - Lori Hosseini suggests having a LA member go to the Fairboard meeting to read the letter in person and answer any questions in person as a courtesy. Last Monday of the month is the next Fair board meeting. Brenda Mueller and Carol Boehlke will speak on behalf of the Leaders Association.
      - Bob Eichner makes a motion to send the letter to the Fairboard. Rose Paulus seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
  - May 26th clothing review-Dorothy Parchim
  - New Family Fairground - Carol Boehlke
    - No report this month
  - Key Award ceremony - Danielle Gettelman
    - Program was held on the Sunday of fair at noon
    - 3 youth were selected from our county
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  - Fair other - 4-H Ozaukee County Foundation

- POSSIBLE FAIR SCHEDULE CHANGE: Next year the Ozaukee 4-H Foundation will present their scholarships Saturday at 11:30am
  - POSSIBLE FAIR SCHEDULE CHANGE: Key award presentations will be held before Oz 4-H Foundation at 11am
  - Discussion of Mr. & Miss Saturday vs. Sunday
  - Idea Deanna Lee - 4-H tent brought back for “anything goes” games and other educational - craft activities
- Volunteer Hours - Lisa Fellenz
  - Checks will be sent soon
- Activity Area - Sue Karolczak/Nicole Simon
  - Will be open on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 11-1pm, 1-3pm
  - Kids had a lot of fun with the Pine Wood Derby track and cars
- Business Awards - Lori Hosseini
  - 2025 192 business awards provided
  - 160 business awards were given out in 2024, 122 awards in 2022
  - 16 new donors joined this year!
  - 1 business (Tello's!) donated \$1,600 in gift certificates
  - Out & Out once again gave out a free coupon for custard for all the exhibitors
  - Ads went into the News Graphic and the Press to say thank you to all business donors.
  - Incorporated the Mardell Glander cake decorating award this year to avoid confusion. This worked very well.
  - More training for the building sitters next year (QR code with short video instruction)
- Silent Auction - Amy Gierach/Laura Prah
  - Some troubleshooting is needed
    - WiFi issues
    - Maybe next year have it open all weekend or extend it into National 4-H week
    - Laminated tags for projects that will be available for sale?
- Parade of Champions
  - 10th Anniversary this year
  - Encourage kids to turn in forms to Heather Hamm early (paper or email option)

## Liaisons

- International Programs -
  - Youth can enroll
- Agricultural Society - Carol Boehlke
  - Static projects October 9, 2025 7pm meeting to update the premium book
  - Monday October 13, 2025 next meeting to continue updating the premium book
  - You can email information to: [exhibits@ozaukeecountyfair.com](mailto:exhibits@ozaukeecountyfair.com)
- Ozaukee 4-H Foundation - Jaime Jacobson, Noah Seetz, and Holly Hupfer
  - 25% provided to youth for trips

- Project support for all projects please fill out the form to request funds [Oz. Co. 4-H Foundation Project Support Application](#)
- Leader expert support can also be provided upon request (same link as above)
- Bowl-a-thon - Sunday February 1st
  - If the youth member raises at least \$125 they could get a cool gift!
  - Theme baskets for the raffle are very popular and much appreciated

## Old Business

- Updates from the board
  - MOU with the County
    - MOU document had been reviewed and double checked, not signed yet because correct version has not been provided
  - Goals:
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- Leader's events
  - Brat Fry
    - Still one (1) opening available
    - Christie Dieringer is looking for a shadow- one potential person is exploring if this is possible for them with Abi
  - Monthly County-Wide Events
    - Reminder - new opportunity for clubs to host countywide activities to invite other clubs to attend - \$750 is budgeted per event, each club can host 1 event a year, great way to bond youth and have clubs collaborate together
  - Calendar
    - Get items on the calendar as soon as possible
  - 4-H Signs
    - Available tonight
    - Start putting them out to advertise
- Leaders Recognition Banquet
  - Lepanto's Banquet Hall Saturday November 15th
  - More information is coming soon! Keep reading the Harbinger.
  - Please nominate Leaders and give at least 3 paragraphs of background on why you nominated them!
    - 3 leaders have been nominated
  - Friend of 4-H nominations are open until October 1st.
    - 3 friends of 4-H have been nominated
- Any other Old Business

## New Business

- By-Law changes
- Nominations
- Record Books -
  - Cloverleaf - requires record book, turned in Sept, not forced, do not require them for the bonus year

- Covered Bridge - binders are passed out, does them, not required, Sept turned in, Returned in banquet in November
- Deckers Corners - scrapbooks, required, project pages - no, creative process, write a paragraph on what they enjoyed most
- Holy Cross - handed in Aug mtg, back in Oct, all project pages required, page protectors are provided, kids don't enjoy writing their story out, revised project pages are used, story will not be required this year, outstanding achievements and honorable mentions
- Jay Road - Highly encouraged, August due date, extended this year, two graduate boys talked about how helpful they were when they applied for scholarships, the sheets were all updated and condensed, some give pics and ribbons, look for what activities were done
- Knellsville - required, adjustment to pages, extended year must turn in record Sept 1 , Nove returned
- Lakeview - 0
- Lindenwood - books end of August, Project leaders grade and write comments, Oct returned, Dec new pages are printed, club activity page unique, all kids get something. Final year kids have to at least write a story to get a sweatshirt
- Little Kohler - Require recordbook, green 3 ring binder, if they don't hand one in no award may be earned (in the by-laws) plans for next year, project paragraph, 4-H story, checklist box for activities, pictures welcome, Sept turn in , November ha
- Town & Country - 0
- Waubeka - recently changed by-laws, 5 things must be completed: record book, good attendance, participate in activities—you can get an achievement award otherwise just a certificate is handed out, week or two weeks before August meeting: host a record book night, many record books are scrapbook style, some exceptions are given (example: using record book as example during open house), banquet in October, use the extension sheets (except for activity sheets)
- Shooting Sports - 0
- Other ideas: digital portfolios, video record books, link to pictures
- Directory
  - Reviewed during meeting for corrections
  - Extension office is not able to print these for us
  - Might need to wait until next 4-H year
- Storage Space
  - Concern about not having anywhere to put things that are an immediate need
  - The board will be working on this moving forward
- Any new business
  - 4-H swag available at extension office

## **Club Sharing**

Waubeka - 100th anniversary in 2029 (join with Lindenwood)

## Correspondence:

Thank you's to be written:

Received:

### **Adjournment**

Rose Paulus motioned to adjourn,  
Jody Brzezinski 2nd; unanimously approved

### **Upcoming Events**

**Next meeting:** October 18th, 2025 at the Ozaukee County Fairgrounds, Expo Center

Meeting adjourned at 9:56 pm

Other info:

Refreshment Schedule -

September Little Kohler & Waubeka

**October Leaders Board**

November Town & Country

January Holy Cross & Jay Road

March Cloverleaf & Lakeview

May Covered Bridge

June Lindenwood

July Deckers Corners & Knellsville

Report respectfully submitted by, substitute Recording Secretary, Erin Puro