

## JUNIOR FAIR BOARD MINUTES

October 15, 2025

Jr. Fair Building - Marshfield

October 15th meeting of the Central WI Jr. Fair Board was called to order by President Megan Kunding at 7:00 pm at the Jr. Fair Building.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Brittany Bauer, Lisa Blanchard, Jodie Budtke, Kitty Bymers, Romelle Bymers, Dale Christensen, George Gilbertson, Bob Hartwig, Tim Heeg, Katlyn Kohl, Virginia Krause, Megan Kunding, Jessica Lindow, Betty Peterson, Steve Redmond, Mark Seefeldt, Josh Sabo, Andrew Seefeldt, Laura Strigel, and.

**EXCUSED:** Amanda Budtke, Lori Haffenbredl, Laura Huber, Heather Wellach, Dave Urban, and Emma Kunding.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Tracy Benson, Jason Bernick, and Beth Spindler.

**GUESTS:** Gary Potts, Dave Lang, Anne Lindow, Mark Zee, Tammy Grassel

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:** Budget

**SECRETARY'S MINUTES:** Approved as printed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Approved as presented. One buyer's payment is still out.

**FAIR BOARD REPORT:** Fair went well. There will be a Christmas show on November 29 starting at 5 with the meal at 5:30. There will be entertainment. Anyone or group interested in donating a silent raffle basket should get them to the fair office the week before. Pegboards have been moved to the swine building and are located where they can be moved at any time.

**EXTENSION REPORT:** No report.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- Fair Book Changes -Showmanship ages in Market Animal Classes. The ages break down in beef, sheep, and swine showmanship need to be the same. Added to the Dairy Dept – Exhibitors must show his/her entered animal unless okayed by the superintendent.
  - Suggestions from Care to Share Forms – Tabled until the next meeting.
  - Age Requirement to Show in Jr. Fair - A lengthy discussion was held on age vs grade. A committee was formed to come to a suggested requirement based on the ATCP 160.30 requirements. Committee members – Josh, Romelle, Tim and Megan. They will make their recommendation to the Fair Board on Monday, October 20.
  - Discussion was held on ways to ID all dairy animals in the Jr. Fair. Animals shown in the Jr. Fair cannot be shown for premium in Open Show at the same fair (ATCP 160.01) This will need to be added to the Fair Book. Suggestions were some type of permanent ID – tattoo, ear tag, RFID.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- Audit Committee - Tim and Megan will audit the books.
- Membership & Superintendents – Members should check with their superintendents to see if they are returning in 2026. We are still in need of a home & family superintendent. The board is also open to anyone interested in becoming a member. Youth members representing the 4-H are needed.

- 2026 Scholarship – Scholarship applications are needed at the school’s guidance offices at least 4 weeks before the application deadline. The Junior Fair scholarship and Fair Board scholarship will use the same form. The fair will sponsor \$1000, Market Animal Committee - \$500 and Jr. Fair \$200. The selection committee will be a member from the market sale, Jr. Fair Board, and Fair Board. Scholarships will be available at Nekoosa, Port Edwards, WI Rapids, Pittsville, Auburndale, and Marshfield schools and on the Extension and Fair web sites. The awards will be presented at the school’s recognition program in the spring and be announced at the Thursday fair program.
- Improvements and Signage – More signage is needed to direct people to the correct sites of the exhibits. Also needed are ways to displace the dept. signs within the hockey building. Further discussion will be at the November meeting. Tim moved that the Jr. Fair purchase 5 4 compartment poultry cages at a cost of \$74.20 per cage. George seconded. MC It is hope that the Fair Board will purchase an addition 5 cages so there will be enough to house all the small chickens.
- Budget -Josh moved to approve the 2026 horse budget. Lisa seconded. MC Josh moved to approve the 2026 Market Animal Sale budget with and additional amount for meat goats. Katlyn seconded. MC Tim moved to approve the dairy 2026 budget. Bob seconded. MC Jodie moved to add \$50 to \$250 for the scholarship line and reduce the appreciation line to \$450. Josh seconded. MC Tim moved to approve the 2026 Junior Fair budget. Josh seconded. MC

**Department Reports:**

- Market Sale – Dale has been working on a promotional video by needs more ag educational material. He is hoping that the Market Sale Committee could create their own video. Work is being done on the record books. A trip to State Fair in August is being planned for youth and their parents. The cost will be \$25per person. The Lindow family will be covering the cost of the fair passes. Jason Bernick was re-elected at the president.
- Dairy – Will be meeting on October 22 at the High School to discuss 2026 fair.
- Horse – Will be meeting on Oct. 16 to plan the educational meetings.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:** Audio Committee report, Fair Book changes, membership, scholarship, 2026 schedule, designed signer, signage, election of officers

The next meeting will be September 17 at the Hewitt Village Hall in Hewitt at 7:00 pm. Heather moved to adjourn the meeting. Dave seconded. MC Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Romelle Bymers,  
Recording Secretary