

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, April 20, 2026
Youth & Agriculture Center, 916 E. Elm St., Lancaster, WI 53813

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Roger Guthrie. Roll Call was taken with six committee members present: Roger Guthrie, Joe Mumm, Pat Schroeder, Gary Northouse, Kathy Kopp and Mike Timmerman. Others present were Nate Dreckman, Bob Keeney, Amy Olson, Lori Vesperman, Charisse Orth, Bev Doll, Jackie McCarville, Jordyn Sattler, Casey Lobdell and Lynn Perkins. Present by Zoom was Tonya White.

The meeting notice was posted at the Extension Office, Youth & Agriculture Center, Administration Building, on the Grant County website and emailed to media.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Kathy Kopp, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Mike Timmerman, to approve the minutes of the meeting held March 23, 2026. Motion carried.

Educator updates were given by Bev Doll, Charisse Orth, Jackie McCarville, Casey Lobdell and Jordyn Sattler. Charisse gave a presentation on the 4-H Thrive Survey.

Lynn Perkins gave the AED update sharing the County Officials Training Workshop date changed to May 11 and will still be held in Dodgeville.

Blake Roberts gave the Rural Community Economic Development Specialist update.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Mike Timmerman to pay Grant County Economic Development Special Project as requested and budgeted. Motion carried.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Mike Timmerman, to approve the Extension vouchers. Motion carried.

Amy gave the grounds and maintenance and Youth & Agriculture Center report.

Spring yard work is being done. All vehicles will be out of storage the end of April. Jeff Bahl, Full Throttle, would like to pour a cement pad in the race track infield and pay the cost.

Fair and Fairgrounds Business

Fairest of the Fair Banquet location may change due to number of applications received. The PRRS and PEDv no testing requirement is confirmed with DATCP. Amy will send a survey this summer asking for feedback regarding a non-terminal swine show for 2027. Poultry events/movement is still suspended through May 10, 2026. Bloomington Sportsman Club will no longer be working the food stand on Saturday night of the fair.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Kathy Kopp to have Amy apply for a Corteva Agriscience Grant up to \$5,000 and look into a Compeer Financial General Use Grant up to \$10,000, to purchase bleachers. Motion carried.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Kathy Kopp, to approve the Extension vouchers. Motion carried.

Motion by Gary Northouse, seconded by Roger Guthrie, to adjourn. The next scheduled meeting is May 18, 2026. Motion carried. Adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Kathy Kopp
Secretary

Lori Vesperman
Recording Secretary