

AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION
EDUCATION/FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING
UWEX Conference Room
Lancaster, WI

Sunday
August 23, 2026
9:30am

The meeting was called back to order by the Committee Chairman Kathy Kopp. Present in addition to Kopp was Bob Keeney, Joe Mumm, Dan Durley, Mike Timmerman, Todd Miller, Steve Braun, Deb Reukauf, Vince and Gabby Heiman, Casey Lobdell, Kate Nusbaum, Kevin Retallick, Charisse Orth, and Amy Olson.

The meeting notice was posted at the Administration Building, Extension Office and Youth & Ag Center and media by Amy Olson.

Motion by Joe Mumm, seconded by Dan Durley, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Carnival - Vince reported on the carnival and shared the financial information from Saturday.

Policing – Todd reported missing kids but were found. Also, they did a lot of extra strolling around the parking area Saturday and Saturday night which seemed to help.

Judging – Has gone well. Charisse reported we had lots of compliments on the style show. The goat superintendents would like to change the show for next year to 3pm with 2 rings going at the same time.

Exhibits/exhibitors – Kevin Retallick was present on behalf of the Grant County Cattlemen. They purchased along with the Fennimore FFA a steer and would like it to go to another fair instead of live market. Also, there was a discussion on the swine that passed away and that the exhibitor did earn the right to sell their dairy goat before their swine died. Joe was looking for clarification on this for the family. Charisse reported that we had one Master Showmanship change because an exhibit got sick.

Entertainment – Went over the schedule for the day. The walk-through gates over by the entertainment tent need to be closed more so less vehicles are coming through. The sheriff's department has been doing that throughout the fair.

Vendors – Discussion on vehicles going through this area. Next year Amy will put it in their contract hours they can have vehicles going through. Possibly having a loading zone which would be very helpful if it's during the day.

Steve Braun reported of getting new radios to use as batteries are dying very quickly on these.

Casey Lobdell went over load out times for Sunday and Monday.

Motion by, Joe Mumm, seconded by Dan Durley to adjourn to September meeting. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Olson, CFE
Grant County Fairgrounds Operation Director