

Stillwater County 4-H Leaders' Council Minutes
August 19th, 2026 @ 6:06pm
West Annex

Attendance: Brian Young (Stillwater Ranch Hands), Wendy Reed (United Clovers & Sheep Superintendent), Jeanna Fry (Park City Wranglers), Melissa Robertus (Park City Wranglers & Small Animal Superintendent), Amy & Steve Williams (Beartooth Ramblers), Melissa Kramer (Johnny's Buckaroos & Beef Superintendent), Sarah-Jane French (Extension Agent), Haley Barker (Extension Agent), Kathy Hollar (Extension Office & Beartooth Ramblers), Tammi Kirch (Beartooth Ramblers & Indoor Superintendent), Randy Smith (Johnny's Buckaroos & Facility Facilitator), Shannon Moore (Johnny's Buckaroos)

Reports

Ambassadors/Teen Leaders – Haley shared they took their trip down to Cody, WY and then over to Yellowtail Dam for a fun little weekend trip. There were a couple of “bumps” in their trip but the teens were resilient and found fun to have anyways!

Travel Program – Tammi shared that Kansas was an amazing trip with the Teen Leaders! The kids got along well with the 4-Hers and families they were paired with in Kansas. It was one of the best interaction of kids, educational and fun activities each day, an “Amazing Race” challenge to create next year, and one of the most thoroughly enjoyable events she has experienced.

Homemakers – nothing to share at this time

Office Report- Sarah-Jane rejoiced they/we made it through Fair! Fair #s were good, Live Auction total was up by \$50,000 from 2025, there were almost \$8,600 in ad-ons during the sale this year. Sept 27th @ 3pm, at the Civic Center will be the Awards/Achievement night.

Old Business

Melissa Kramer expressed gratitude for the Council approving the increased Marketing budget for this year's Fair. The additional efforts to bring exposure and insight into the community was successful.

New Business

Swine Superintendent – Sarah-Jane shared that Michelle Snapp had stepped in as an Intern Swine Superintendent for this year. A Superintendent application was created; it is available online and open to anyone interested. You do need to sign up as a Volunteer Leader (not necessarily a Club Leader) to apply. It was discussed and suggested to open up all the Superintendents position and co-chair for a year or two with the current Superintendent for a more fluid transition when the current one's step down. Applications are due September 30th.

Awards Committee - Kathy shared that in the Awards catalog prices and availability of some items have changed. If she could get a couple of people to help review the awards catalog and go over options, she would appreciate the help. Wendy & Tammi agreed to help. Also, the Herdsman Plaque is no longer available. Kathy/Sarah-Jane found a comparable picture frame that was engravable to take the place of the plaque.

Fair 2027 Band – Haley shared that bands are difficult to book if you wait much longer than the first of the year and most are already booking for 2027 as we speak. Any input on which band(s) we would like Haley to reach out to for availability, and do we have a price range to work within? Exit 53, Plowed Under Bands were mentioned as forerunners, as well as pre-sales on tickets for next year. After discussion from the group, Tammi moved to have Haley to contact bands to reserve for the next 3 years, with a price range of up to \$5,500. Jeanna 2nd the motion, Motion passed.

Brainstorming Activity – Everyone in the room had opportunity to share suggestions, logistical changes, ideas, and trials from this year's Fair to help improve upon next year's Fair. It was a super productive discussion with great feedback!

Announcements

✿ Council Lamb Dates

- 2027 – Beartooth Ramblers
- 2028 – Broadview Homesteaders
- 2029 – Johnny's Buckaroos

✿ Next Council meeting: October - meeting poll will be sent out

Melissa K moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeanna 2nd the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm