

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

New London County 4-H Fair Board Meeting Minutes

The New London County (NLC) Fair Board meeting came to order at 7:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H pledge. Introductions commenced. Following review, Ella moved to accept the minutes as read, Brendan second, and the minutes were approved. As of this meeting, the treasury currently has \$19,494.72. Ella moved to place the Treasurer's Report on file, Jeremiah seconded, and the motion passed. No reports were given for Business, Ag, or Exhibit Hall.

Old Business-

- ❖ Teen Council presentation by special guest- Phineas Sullivan talked about his experiences as a camp counselor at the NLC camp. He mentioned that he learned community engagement and participated in community service events such as a toy drive.
- ❖ Recognition of Public Speaking participants- We discussed the 4 youth participants that will be moving up to state level. Congratulations were offered.
- ❖ 2025 Ad/Sponsorship Campaign kick-off- It was discussed that the Ad and Sponsorship Campaign would start on March 4th and end on May 6th. Just a reminder avoid Ads and Sponsorships from alcohol and tobacco facilities.
- ❖ Miscellaneous

New Business-

- ❖ Discussion of 2025 fair schedule- The preliminary Fair schedule was discussed. A motion made by Lily and seconded by Abby was approved and put on file.
- ❖ Fair contest themes- The 2025 Challenge Grow theme is Marigold Magic. The rules are a single seed is to be planted in an appropriate container.
- ❖ Miscellaneous:
 - Premier Judge- It was announced that Premier now has a judge.
 - 4-H Camp Auction- The 4-H camp is hosting its annual plant sale and auction on April 25th and 26th. We discussed trying to get a table setup to sell Ads and Sponsorships for our fair. A reminder was also made to attending Club Leaders and Members to create a basket. A motion was made by Jeremiah to adopt a Fair Board basket, the motion was seconded by Victor. Natalie motioned to

set aside \$100 dedicated to creating a basket, Ella second and the motion passed.

- Lebanon Fair- Marc will see if there is any space availability for the NLC 4-H to have a booth.

Other 4-H Business

- ❖ The UConn 4-H Expressive Arts Day will be held on Saturday, March 15th at the Litchfield County Extension Center and the Five Points Art Center, 843 University Drive in Torrington from 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.
- ❖ The 4-H Junior STEM Day will be held on March 22nd.
- ❖ The CT 4-H Beef and Dairy Day will be held on Saturday, March 29th
- ❖ The National 4-H Beekeeping Essays are due April 1st.
- ❖ The Teen Council Game Night will be held on April 4th.
- ❖ The CT 4-H Goat Day will be held on April 5th
- ❖ The CT Horse Symposium will be held on April 5th.
- ❖ The NLC Rabbit Day will be held on April 12th.
- ❖ The UConn 4-H Day at the Capitol will be held on April 16th.
- ❖ The CT Sheep and Fiber Festival will be held on April 26th.
- ❖ The NLC Fair Ad/Sponsorship Campaign will end on May 6th.

Natalie motioned to have the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m., Lily seconded, and the motion passed.