

Gratiot County Fair for Youth
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 10th, 2026
Bill & Grace Vanderbeek Fair Office, Alma, Michigan

Members Present: Mackenzie Crumbaugh, Jennifer Dickman, Chuck Efaw, Keegan Humm, Matt Jorae, Jason Lombard, Larry Richards, Brent Skinner, Shanna Smith, Martha Stellow, James Weburg, Adam Wood, Raegan Falor

Members Online: Brayden Bonga

Fair Office Staff: Hannah Reeves

Guests: Joe Bowen, Lydia Davenport, Kristi Davenport, Ashley Foster, Ryan Hutchinson, Emily Krenz, Kipp Krenz, Heather Wood

Brent called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Chuck asked to add Building and Ground to the committee report. Chuck moved to approve the agenda as presented with the Building and Grounds addition. Martha second. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Shanna presented the meeting minutes. Chuck moved to accept the minutes. Matt second. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Martha presented the financials. Chuck moved to accept the treasurer's report. Adam second. Motion carried.

Fair Office Report:

- All animal registrations are open
- Campsite payment is due at the end of the month.

Public Comment:

- None.

4-H Office Update:

- Ashley reported that workshop days are coming, they are gearing up for exploration days and looking for additional rabbit quiz bowl members.

Committee Reports:

- **Awards Committee** – Jennifer presented on the awards and current budget.
- **Building and Grounds** – Chuck reported that the deck will be replaced starting on 3/11. Please use back east door until the project is complete. A water line leak will be evaluated soon. Planning to de-winterize in mid-April.

Upcoming Ground Rentals: 3/15 Kountry Kids

Old Business:

- GCFY Property – Take away from meeting with Commissioner: bring a proposal to him once a plan is in place. Chuck moved to start a committee to research purchasing the property and creating a proposal. Adam second. Motion carried.
 - Jennifer, Chuck, Keegan, Brent, Larry, Jamie and Adam will make up this committee.

- Dinner Dance – Very few tickets left.
- Winter Storage Removal – April 11th, 2026 – equipment needed to help pull campers out.

New Business:

- 4-H Leader's Council Breakfast – Ashley asked to continue for this year with the same requirements as last year. Martha moved to allow 4-H Leader's Council to continue serving breakfast the week of the fair. Shanna second. Motion carried.
- Winter Storage Pricing – Chuck moved to increase the winter storage rate to \$15 for indoor storage and \$10 in the covered arena and barns A, B and C. Jason second. Motion carried. Campers will be notified at removal in April. The next winter storage date will be October 17th.
- Food Booth Equipment – Jason presented a quote for updating our current food booth equipment. The quote is good until the end of the month. Martha moved to accept the bid and to order items on the quote from Stafford-Smith. Chuck second. Motion carried.
- Fair Clean Up Dates – Wednesday June 24th, Monday July 6th, Wednesday July 8th
- Zone 4 Spring MAFE Meeting – April 23rd in Midland.

Adam moved to adjourn the meeting. Matt second. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:09pm.

Next meeting – Thursday April 9th, 2026 at 7pm – Bill and Grace Vanderbeek Fair Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanna Smith

GCCFFY Secretary