

**Green County  
Agriculture and Extension Education Committee  
February 4, 2026 – MINUTES**

The February 4, 2026, meeting of the Agriculture and Extension Education Committee was called to order at 8:02 am by the Ag & Extension Chair, Erica Roth. The meeting voucher was circulated for signatures.

At 8:03am Chair Roth handed the chair to Vice Chair Sass to preside over the remainder of the meeting.

Members present were: Susan Knox, Dawn Sass, Erica Roth, and Yvette Smith. Peg Sheaffer attended virtually.

Also present—Samantha Wileman, Extension Business Manager; Lynn Perkins, Area Extension Director; Ellen Andrews, 4-H Youth Development Educator; Victoria Solomon, Community Development Educator; Bob Wiegel, Human Development & Relationships Educator; and Casey Lobdell, Regional Livestock Educator.

Public Comment – No public comments were presented.

**Green County Educator Reports--Written Report for Educators:** Questions were presented regarding the 4-H Shooting Sports Program.

**Green County Educator Introduction – Casey Lobdell, Regional Livestock Educator:** Casey Lobdell introduced himself and discussed the programs he is working on and assisting with.

**Youth in Government – Follow Up Discussion:** Victoria Solomon and Ellen Andrews gave an overview of different options for a Youth in Government program. Both Solomon and Andrews looked at the type of programming, requirements, number of participants, and pros & cons regarding different options and how the program would be sustainable over time.

A Local Government Learning program was presented as being the option to reach the most youth while also creating the best impact for the youth participating. This would potentially be a multi-day program that would occur annually, teaching youth and adults about local government. Solomon and Andrews would hope to implement this in early 2028.

**Minutes Approval:** Roth moved to approve the November 2025 Ag & Extension committee meeting minutes and Smith seconded. Motion passed.

**Bill Approval:** Knox moved to approve the January EFT payments of \$32.63 and the January presented check payments of \$1,305.41, and to include RICOH invoice once received, seconded by Smith. Motion passed.

**Area Extension Director Updates: Area 17 Staffing Update** – Perkins introduced Casey Lobdell to the committee. Lobdell started the Regional Livestock position in January 2026.

**New Extension/AED Map** – Perkins updated the committee on the new Extension AED map. The new map was distributed to all in attendance.

**Business Manager Updates:**

**Department Head Updates** – Wileman discussed the hiring of the new County Administrator position and timeline. Wileman also discussed the updates to the Justice Center through the Sheriff & Jail project. Wileman will discuss this more at the next meeting.

**Annual Report Presentation** – Wileman notified the committee that Jackie McCarville, Regional Dairy Educator, and Bob Wiegel, Human Development & Relationships Educator, will be the two presenting at the February County Board meeting.

**Closed Session**—Sass read the Statement of Reason for Closed Session—Staff Evaluations per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c)—Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises

responsibility. Roth moved to go to closed session, Smith second. Motion passed unanimously. The committee entered closed session at 8:50am.

Member Roth excused themselves from the meeting after the conclusion of Wileman's performance review.

**Open Session** – Knox moved to reconvene in open session immediately following the closed session, Sass seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The committee returned to open session at 9:05 am.

No action was taken on items discussed in closed session.

Member Roth returned to the meeting at 9:05am for open session.

**Other Business** – No other business was presented.

Next meeting: Wednesday—March 4, 2026, at 8:00am.

Motion by Roth, second by Knox to adjourn at 9:07 am. Motion passed.

*Minutes submitted by Smith/Wileman.*

APPROVED