

Jefferson County 4-H Council Minutes

May 19, 2026

The May meeting of the Jefferson County 4-H Council was called to order by President Aurora Hoffman at 7:03pm. The flag salute was followed by the 4-H pledge.

Roll call was answered by 8 clubs. The minutes from the March meeting were approved as posted online

There was not any correspondence.

Hadley gave the treasurer's report.

Marlene reported that Morgan had submitted a report to the local newspapers.

Fair board report – Jason Roenne, Fair Board President shared with the members that their next meeting would be held on June 9th at 7:00pm at the fairgrounds.

Spring Project Fair post event report – Toni shared survey results and general comments about the spring project fair. In general, it was well attended and the volunteers did a good job of running with the idea and having interactive booths. Suggestions included having the breakout sessions maybe more in the fall.

Under unfinished business we discussed plans for the fair dance and fun events. Hadley moved to move forward with the plan presented at last month's meeting where we will have the dance as normal but instead of hiring a DJ, the Pence family will supply the lights and sound equipment. The motion was seconded and it passed. Sam will need a committee of people to help with set up and would like 30 minutes of play list ahead of time to get things started. There was also a motion to proceed with the \$3 per person or \$5 per couple door charge. It was seconded and passed. Members discussed that it would be nice to have someone come and teach line dances too, so looking for someone that might be willing to do that still.

Under new business committee A selected the date of November 14 with the back up date of November 21 for the 2026 Achievement Night. The preferred location would be Oskaloosa again. It was noted that there were questions brought up about approved expenditures for Achievement Night. Catherine Leitner wanted to know how much the Achievement Night awards cost and why we don't vote on those costs even though council is paying for them, or so it is thought.

Committee B discussed Fair set-up and clean up lists. They worked to revise and update the current lists that are set out for families to work off of. Clubs were encouraged to pick projects to do ahead of time to improve the fairgrounds.

Committee C made the following donation recommendations:

- Blood Drive participation – keep it at a straight participation and not pro-rated by the number of members in each club.
- 4-H Foundation Golf Tournament - \$1000
- County Fair Ribbon Premium Fund - \$2000
- Float Participation - \$50 to each club
- Delaware Township Hall building use - \$150 and noted to make the donation during the match day in September so they could benefit from the match

Joe Kabus moved to approve all the donations as presented, Felicity seconded and the motion passed.

Announcements were handed out and Lily Kresie moved with Caliber Beecham, seconding the meeting was adjourned. Next meeting will be June 22, 2026.