

WPRD Meeting Minutes for July 2026

Meeting was called to order on Wednesday July 15, 2026 at 6:37pm by President Alexis Vanderhoof.

There were 13 members in attendance.

Secretary Report: Copies of May minutes were read by members. Motion to accept minutes was made by Ona Mahoney, and 2nd by Patty Dunham. Motion carried.

Presidents Report: The June meeting that was moved to the fairgrounds 1 hour post show was canceled due to how long the show ran. No one was going to show up that late at night to have a meeting.

Treasurers Report: Balance as of last meeting (May) was \$7,281.43. TMobile was paid \$50 for internet. Nicole was reimbursed 288.00 for the barrel wraps. Petty cash was taken out for the first show in the amount of \$1,200.00. A deposit was made in the amount of \$5,085.00 for stall fees, memberships, points. All of the June show staff and judges were paid. Internet was paid in the amount of \$50.00. A deposit was made in the amount of \$11,959.00 for June 12-14 show entries, memberships, stalls, and points. Watsons was paid \$512.00 for transport of the tractor. A deposit was made for the June 26-28 show in the amount of \$10,154.00. Kim Lawrence was reimbursed \$322.18 for judges hotels. July 10-12 show staff and judges were paid. And a deposit for July 10-12 show was made in the amount of \$5,641.00. For an ending balance of \$32,497.25 as of July 15, 2026. Beth Moss asked for a reimbursement for the eggs, and Alexis for miscellaneous office supplies needed for the first show, and banners. Motion to accept was made by Gwen and 2nd by Chuck. Motion carried.

Public Relations: Cherie Anderson had back surgery. Patty said a former member John Nyweides wife has passed away, condolences to the family. Cindy Rutskys family lost their home in a fire, it was a total loss. Ona is sending a card with the Horsemen's Fund check.

Old Business: The bylaw amendments and class clarifications have been posted for well over 30 days a motion to approve these was made by Ona, and 2nd by Chuck Shank. Patty mentioned a lot of congestion and back log in the office the first show morning. Hoping somehow we can get this under control for the future. Alexis said the online route might help this, more on this in New Business. There has been talk on how long our banners are allowed to stay up through fair, Alexis will be writing up an agreement to present to Dean Maynard and get it signed so this is all put to rest. Our Horsemen's Fund has not been used in 2 years. The Rutsky family lost their entire home in a house fire, we would like to give the fund for this year to them. Motion to accept this was made by Ona, and 2nd by Beth. Huge thank you to Beth for figuring it all out, she has needed to replace 3 different judges already this season!

New Business: There have been concerns on some of the stalls in the 4H barn specifically on huge stall gaps. This likely won't be fixed this year but it has been addressed, and the

fairgrounds will be fixing it. Kim Gorton is the barn manager, she gets the reports from people but is not present to give her report. It was made aware that people are parking and possibly camping over by the dairy barns. Alexis will look into this to make sure we aren't using space that isn't allowed. Next year the cost for a banner sponsor will need to increase to cover the costs of everything increasing in price to purchase and ship to us (this can be tabled for later). Also, the sponsor forms need combined to alleviate confusion as each one has different prices. Nicole went through old points numbers and freed some up to give us more show numbers 1-600. Thanks Nicole! The bylaws for a DQ need to be made clearer for in the future. Right now we will follow custom to what we've done in the past until we can vote on and make changes to the bylaws at the end of the year. Judges need to make sure they are being clear on their score cards so there is no more confusion for points. Alexis is still looking into the online entry system, this will help the backlog of people in the office the first show weekend. There is a one time set up fee, that is custom to how complicated the set up is. Roughly this would be up to \$250.00. A fee is added to the merchant, and a .30 fee is given to the company. The club gets nothing from doing this, but it will help for those that want to enter ahead or pay with a card. While this is a good idea, this is ALOT of treasury work! We owe \$100 to the Oaks Venue for the moving of our banquet date. Date is set for November 7th 2026. Beth would like to keep the lunch break as it was at the past July 10-12 show. This made for a smoother show, and not as long. As long as this continues to work we don't see this as an issue to keep going. The current food booth is closing too early! We are going to look in to a food truck coming in. Grandmas Grub is a sponsor, hopefully we can make it work. Chrissie Acker works with Basic Animal Health, they together would like to sponsor prizes for the banquet. This is huge if they follow through! This will take some expense away from the club. Next years show dates were presented, June 11-13, June 25-27, July 9-11, July 23-25, and September 17-19. Alexis will submit this to get it set in stone with the Fairgrounds. Tracey explained the concerns for the dragging and watering of the arenas. This is alot for one person to do alone, and with only one tractor. He does the best he can to work the ground as needed.

The Appreciation show planning is well underway. The theme for this year is USA 250 years. Bring your best red, white, and blue! Flyers have been posted, and given at the last show. Fun games were added. Door prizes per class emergency stall hanging leaflets. Jackpot prizes are custom WPRD logo coolers. Pee wee classes have rosettes and participation ribbons for all. Plus Cassie has goodie bags. Previous years show prizes can be given as well to get rid of some of the overstock. Alexis will post on Facebook asking for donations to the tent, and the cake walks for the weekend. Alexis will be ordering either cupcakes, or cookies to have.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:13pm by Beth and 2nd by Sue. Motion carried.

No meeting in August!

Next meeting will be September 16, 2026 at 6:30 in the back room at Meadville Perkins.

Respectfully submitted by Emma Keener, 2026 WPRD Secretary.