

## Quarterly Council Meeting

3/14/17

Tana called the March 14, 2017 4-H Council meeting to order with seven leaders, two ambassadors, Jackie Stinnett, 4-H Assistant and Bruce Smith, Extension Agent present.

It was moved by Lorie, seconded by Marnie to accept minutes for January 2017. Carried.

Marnie Rau, treasurer presented treasurer's report (copy attached). She had received a bill from Triple T Meats. The fair booth profit was \$5,231.95. Marnie presented information on putting our CD (Building and Scholarship money into the 4-H Foundation. It has a better interest rate and it would be more accessible. Leaders were to look over information and a decision will be made at our May Council Meeting. Dean questioned the fees the foundation charges and Marnie explained the interest gained would be more than the fees charged.

Correspondence from the senior all-nighter committee was read. The 4-H Council has adopted the policy of giving each 4-H member who is a senior \$25.00. Jackie also received \$35.00 back from state leader dues because we paid our dues early. A suggestion was to use it for the Leader's Forum to be held in Glendive in September. Marnie moved and Tonya seconded to use money for forum. Carried.

Tractor Supply has sent a check for \$232.47, which must be earmarked for camp or leadership activities. Jackie and Bruce suggested using it for the Rec Lab. Alexis moved Tonya seconded to put Tractor Supply donation into the Day Camp fund, unless need money for Camp Needmore. Carried.

Committees giving reports were:

Livestock—Cowen's will judge goats and sheep during round robin. Due to inability to calibrate current scale for weigh ins, Gary Huber has agreed to let 4-H Livestock Committee use his scale. There were 24 steers weighed for the Rate of Gain Contest. Stall fees will be \$25.00 per stall for all livestock except horses. There will be a building fee of \$5.00/each animal sold.

Also 2016 record books have been completed and accounted for. The BQA needed to be completed by March 5, several 4-Hers still need to do this. American Bank will sponsor the meal after the sale, but will not

clerk. Suggested Banks to clerk was McCone Credit Union and Badlands Federal Credit Union

During weigh ins, there will be only one way to come in and one way to leave area, thus making flow.

**Scholarship**—There will not be any students requesting scholarships for two years, currently there are no former 4-Hers that are freshman in college. Christy Cullinan and Makenna Begger are the only two seniors this year and will be eligible next year. Lorie suggested leaving the scholarship available for sophomores in college, since graduating high school seniors have more opportunities for scholarships and it also shows the student plans to continue in school.

**Day Camp and Dress Revue**—Connie reported Annie would be setting dates for these events the end of the month. Annie also suggested Day Camp be free to all 4-Hers and if the 4-Her brings a friend they be charged for camp.

**Food stand**—Connie reported planning to talk to Tom Clingingsmith about compressor in new cooler. Bruce suggested Levi Hanson, as he charges less,

Tana asked Connie to ask Coke Plant about water donation, as the 4-H Foundation will be giving labels/water for 4-H events, but we may not get as many as we hoped. Connie will check into this and someone to do compressor. Eric Smeltzer fixed the leak in water heater. Connie will send a thank you to him for doing this.

**Fair book**—It was reported by Jackie that in order to print fair book, she has to pull information from the program, which she plans on doing. It was recommended by her, for this year, not to put fees into fair program, since all fees would go to fair board, which would have to reimburse 4-H. The fair program is integrated with 4-H Program, so if a 4-Her puts an entry into a project they are not in, program will not accept it. This does not include lot numbers for general posters, day camp entries, etc. Annie Begger will be the liaison for indoor projects.

No report from Horse, Budget, Trip Small Animal and Trip committee. Awards Committee is meeting next week.

Old Business:

Bruce hasn't heard anything lately about the possible move of the Extension Office to the Fairgrounds.

Discussion was held on deposit for use of the 4-H Building/kitchen. Currently, Jackie is charging a deposit of \$100-\$150 for use of building when sign up and the rental fee is due when they pick up key. Deposit is returned when checked by Jackie to see if cleaned adequately. Connie moved the deposit fee be equivalent to the rental fee and paid at time of renting the facility. It will be returned after cleaned satisfactorily. Seconded by Lorie, Carried.

Per committee report, it was decided to leave the scholarship requirements as they are currently written.

Connie reported she had found information concerning project books available for 4-Hers. On April 22, 2008 the following motion was made, seconded and carried: "The council will pay for literature of one book per project per member and only one cloverbud book per club. (Cloverbud books can be copied as they are more expensive). If the 4-H member does not complete the project, then they are responsible for the cost of the literature, or they must return it to the office. If the books are lost, the member is responsible for the cost of ordering new material." This information will be placed in policy.

Marnie and Jackie will work on fees, since fees will not be put into fair program this year.

Lorie moved and Marnie seconded to have River City Associates do the taxes (990's) for 4-H. Carried. Marnie moved to have River City Associates do the audit for \$65.00/hour. Tonya seconded. Carried.

There was no report concerning the archery program.

Jackie reported there are project leaders for all projects. She announced the Robotics Workshop in Baker, however Glendive does now have a leader for this project. Dean was asked to check with WBI employees to see if someone might be interested.

Jackie will send copies of Policy out for leaders to review. If anyone has changes they were asked to send changes to executive committee before May meeting.

A problem Jackie has encountered with the 4-H online program is that if a 4-Her drops a project, she is unable to find this out. Bruce suggested 4-Hers contact organizational leaders who would then contact office. The problem is if 4-Her signs up for a project, then drop without notifying office, the book is ordered when it is not needed.

Tana suggested a by-law change would be to have President and Vice President be elected in even years and Secretary and Treasurer in odd years. Also in the bylaws (Montana copy, we are modifying) change meeting to council meetings and Executive Committee.

Tonya brought up a request from Jessica Stroh, Jessica would like to see organizational leaders be part of the Executive Committee. According to 4-H Constitution the Executive Committee is comprised of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two 4-H members. More discussion on this will be held in May.

Jackie reported on the Fruit Sales. We sold less this year, but many felt it was because of the change in the beefsticks. Cheese and beefsticks will be coming on Monday, March 20 and will be unloaded at the fairgrounds. The rest of the fruit will be delivered on Friday, 8:00 at MDU building. Connie suggested placing an ad in paper, reminding community about fruit coming in and also thanking the community for their support of 4-H. All decided this was a good idea.

Discussion was held on requiring members/families to sell a designated number of boxes of fruit in order to participate in 4-H. It was moved by Connie and seconded by Lorie to recommend each member sell 5 boxes of fruit or family sell 8 boxes of fruit. Carried.

Tana, Marnie and Tonya reported on the Leader's Forum to be held in Glendive the end of September. Activities begin Friday night with a pitchfork fondue and hayride at the fairgrounds. Theme is "Snapshots of Leadership". Various tours and sponsors are being asked at this time. One of the tours will be to Evelyn Cameron Gallery in Terry. Ideas are needed for the inspirational speaker for Saturday as well as workshop ideas. Saturday night will be a semi-formal awards banquet. Sunday will conclude the weekend with breakfast, closing, shooting sports training and possibly Leader's college. Glendive is responsible for break on Saturday afternoon. We are also requested to provide a silent auction item for the Foundation fundraiser.

Lorie announced the CHS elevator is planning to have training on different types of feeds. It will be held the evening of March 30, tentatively as the community room of the courthouse, with pizza to be provided.

New Business:

Alexis provided training on stereotypes in leadership. She also announced the Week of Service is the third week of April. She would like all clubs to participate and by April 30 send her a log of the club's service: hours of service, and number of participants along with activity. Pictures would be great! Ideas might be picking up garbage, helping at food bank. There are T-shirts available for \$5.00, they can be ordered from MSU and the kids going to Rec Lab can pick them up.

The Lions Club had asked Tana if 4-H would be interested in having 4-H emblem on a Welcome to Glendive Sign. There would be 3 signs placed at the three entrances to Glendive. Tana will ask Lance Phinney to provide information on size of sign, materials used in making sign and she will share this information at next meeting. After discussion, Ross moved and Tonya seconded, to have a 4-Her make the sign and 4-H would pay the upkeep fee of \$20.00/year.

Tacee DeSaye would like clothing project members have a dress revue on stage during fair. They could have it anytime there aren't other 4-H activities. Annie will be asked about this. Tacee is also setting up selfie snapshot areas, where the community can take photos of themselves at various places on the fairgrounds. She asked if 4-Hers would be interested in doing this. Ambassadors agreed to do this. There is going to be extensive painting in the exhibit building, so the picket fence in front of the clothing area and day camp/other project area will be removed. Bruce will do this. She also asked if the indoor projects would be interested in some old display cases they are removing from the open class area. Connie will ask Annie.

All were reminded of the "Raise Your Hands" campaign and to sign up, as Montana has a chance to win \$20,000.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting, May 11, 2017.

Connie Udem, Secretary

PRESENT: Tana Canen, Marnie Rau, Lorie Cullinan, Ross Canen, Dean Rau, Connie Udem. Ambassadors, Alexis and Kelty. Bruce and Jackie