Skagit County 4-H Leader's Council Meeting Minutes

January 3, 2010
WSU Skagit Extension
11768 Westar Lane Suite A
Burlington, WA 98233

Facilitation: Christy Lyon
Minutes: Shonna Ausbourne
Officers Present: Dorothy Elsner and Becky McClellan
WSU Advisor: William Freitas
Attendance: Benjamin Janicki, Tina Barritt, Elisa Swanson, Patrick Swanson, Rebecca Swanson, William Babcock, Aaron Janicki, Michelle Earnst, Nihla Bradley

7pm **Call to order**

***Minutes from previous meeting:**
Not present at meeting - turned in later by Jean Swift.

***Treasure's Report:** Approved - $5,175.38 ending balance.
-$177 from Super Saturday needs to go into the KYG fund.
-Budget overview: No budget as of yet. Becky will get last year's budget to compare and proceed from there.
-Becky is requesting all clubs pay their enrollment fees if they haven't yet done so.

How to prepare the Club financial report (**deadline Jan. 31**) Handouts provided by William
-4H offers 2 books of club treasury
-Each club should have 2 treasurers: 1 adult and 1 youth
-Every year a new treasurer should be chosen within the club
-Each club needs to turn in, BY JAN 31st, the annual financial summary report
-Each report should have a peer review AND must organize their club inventory in report form (many clubs missed the inventory in years past)
-Handouts were provided on finishing the year and completing these reports
-Will be a future training on Club Finances

Old Business:

2010 Fair:
-William had a meeting with Parks & Rec. he believes that the Superintendents and Leaders will "make" the fair this year.
It is VERY important for Superintendents to come to the meetings. Committees are being formed and will be performing
a variety of jobs to get fair underway.
-Fair will need lots of volunteers this year.
-Shonna Ausbourne discussed her concerns with kids bringing multiple animal projects to fair. After some discussion, it was decided that she should write a proposal and present it at the next meeting.

Record Books changes:
-Animal management section is missing income so we need to add the income with a profit & loss to the animal management form
if this is done, ONLY FOR ANIMALS, you can exclude the financial summary report.

-Going to bring back the record book committee & change the records books for next year.
-The way record books are now you can't really see the progress kids are making over the years.
-Becky McClellan proposes we have an ice cream sundae social in Oct. with admittance being a record book. Suggested budget is $150. Motion was seconded by Tina Barritt. Date is To Be Announced.

New Business:

KYG- 6 KYG kids presented/told what they hoped to get out of KYG this year and told about the topic "Lobbying for a change"

Public Presentations/Demonstrations- Dates, times and locations:
-Discussed reasoning of having presentations at fair: concluded it was for state fair practice with a crowd and to collect premiums.
-It was recommended that the presentations be performed in the 4H building on the stage with a leader from each club that has presenters signing up to aid with the presentations. This will provided a place for on-lookers/crowd and a more formal place to present.
-Posters need to be stamped on the back so as not to be used again for other entries.

Leader Training: Trainings are up and coming with decent enrollment

Green form revision:
-Discussed the purpose of the green form along with the expense in time/hours it takes to process them
-It was suggested they get turned in to the Superintendents- need to check with State Fair to make sure the requirements are met.
-Discussed how the due date doesn't really fit all projects (for example small animals some of the animals with a short gestation period may not be born yet by the time the form is due yet they will be able to go to fair)
-Also discussed the 4H requirement on how many days you must have been in "possession" of the animal prior to fair

2010 Calendar revision: Please let William know if you have any revisions.

County Report: Sue will be back in the office but only for 17 hours a week.

Status of getting re-enrollments and new members entered:
Jean Swift is working on this - not sure of status as she was unable to attend meeting but if anyone is willing to help please contact Jean for ideas of what can be done to aid the process and help her out.

Adjourn at 8:30pm