

San Juan County 4-H Leaders' Council Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2011, Orcas Island

People in Attendance:

Officers: Terri Brown (president)-SJ, Jan Sanburg (vice president)-Shaw Flo McAlary (treasurer)-SJ, Cathy Cole (secretary)- SJ

Leaders: Moana Kutsche (Orcas), Kathy Morris (Orcas), John Gauthier (SJ), Lorena Stankevich (Orcas)

Extension Staff: Cindy Gauthier

Guests: Deb Eidsness, Skagit Farm Supply

7:35am Meeting called to order by President, Terri Brown

Minutes from the October Meeting were reviewed.

Motion made and carried to accept October Meeting minutes as written.

Minutes from the December LC Executive meeting were reviewed. Revision made (see Dec. Revised Minutes).

Motion made and carried to accept December LC Executive Meeting minutes as amended.

Treasurer's Report: \$1100 (gross) came in for knife sales from Shaw and San Juan Fund Raisers. **Motion was made and carried to use \$676.65 from the LC General Fund to replenish the knife inventory.** LC CD is up to \$6000 and matures in March. There may be a need to take funds from CD for Teen Rally. Livestock Market Animal Committee annual report for 08-09 is now with Flo. LC received a copy of the LMAC peer review from the treasurer for the 2008/2009 year. \$16,367.13 was the 2009 balance. \$2000 was spent on 2009 Livestock Auction. Gross intake from 2009 Auction was \$25,692.85. Copy of the report is included in these minutes. **Motion made and carried to accept LMAC Financial Report as written. Motion made and carried to accept Treasurer's report and amended Budget.**

Guest: Deb Eidsness from Skagit Farm Supply joined the committee to present the Youth Award's Program for 2011. The dates for the program run with the 4-H year (i.e.: 2010-2011 4-H year is considered the 2011 Program). Deb gave a reminder that the Senior Scholarship applications (\$1000) is on the website www.skagitfarmers.com. Deb also brought up information about Round Robin State rules regarding cross-divisional competition as the LC was still working on Round Robin judging sheets. Any suggestions regarding scoring should be directed to Cindy. Deb will do some more investigating in other counties and get back to Cindy regarding how they are dealing with the issue of how to be in compliance with the State rule and still have one winner of the belt buckle.

Committee reports:

Livestock Market Auction Committee: Jan reported that at the last LMAC meeting, they discussed the State policy allowing the showing of goats with horns (excluding dairy goats). As of now, meat and pygmy goats can have horns (covered) for this year's fair. The committee agreed to use the State policy as written for now. If at this year's fair or in the future a safety issue is presented, the LMAC may adopt a more restrictive policy. Flo recommended that the LMAC match the EAS amount of \$4000 for the Pierre Franklin Award in order to keep it sustainable annually at the \$400 level. Motion seconded. Discussion that if this was too much of a onetime financial hit (could not tell since the LC does not have the LMAC 2010 Financial Report), perhaps they could match the \$200 award to bring it up to \$400 annually until they could give the needed amount to the EAS. **Motion carried to ask the LMAC to match the EAS amount of \$4000 to keep the Pierre Franklin Award sustainable annually.**

Motion made and carried for the LMAC to submit a list of assets with the Annual Financial Report (i.e.: capital improvements) in order to keep a formal account of those assets.

Still Life Silent Auction Committee: Autumn Hallock has agreed to take over as superintendent of Still Life Silent Auction. John will be getting together with her soon.

Horse Committee: Flo and Lorena reviewed the policy changes that were made at the last committee meeting regarding replacement and substitute horses at fair (with form), having 4-H qualified judges for 4-H classes, and including Hunt Seat Equitation as a performance class (including scoring). **Motion was made and carried to accept the Horse Policy changes along with the Replacement Horse Form as written.**

Trophy Committee: Due to possible State cuts in fair funding, trophy engraving may have to come from local resources. Cindy will be in touch with Dave to find out the total cost for engraving in the event the money does not come from the State this year.

EAS Scholarship Committee: EAS Application Draft was reviewed. Amendment was made regarding making the maximum award of \$20 for member for the County Living Expo and the maximum award of \$50 for leaders. **Motion was made and carried to accept the EAS Application as amended.**

There was a discussion regarding 4-H giving more promotion to ear-marked events that are supported by EAS. Cindy will start attaching forms and brochures to the emails rather than just the links so leaders can print these out for the members.

Endowment Committee: The State 4-H now has the contract. As soon as the form is signed, Flo will send a check of the funds approved. **Motion was made by Flo and carried that the Pierre Franklin funds be increased from \$3400 to \$4000 with LC general fund money in order to the annual \$200 scholarship to be sustainable.** The check will be about \$30,000 which will generate \$1500 per year for EAS. Flo reminded the committee members that any endowment checks need to be written to the LC and not directly to the State Endowment Fund. The committee will work on recruiting (especially alumni) a new 4-H Endowment Board to help oversee and determine priorities for the State Endowment Funds.

Old Business:

United Way Grant: The proposal was written and submitted by Jan for \$2500 (half for Teen Rally and half for leadership training).

New Business:

Leader Training at March LC Meeting: State Staff Mary Katherine Dean and Janet Edwards will be providing Leader Training on Life Skills and Empowering Youth after the next LC meeting on Lopez. Lunch will be catered. **Action: Cindy will put a post in the Lopez Rocks paper promoting leader recruiting for this training.**

Teen Rally: The date has been set for October 28th – 30th at Camp Orkila (Wally Fisher Cabins and the Training Center). Planning meeting was held after this LC meeting.

Financial Summaries: Cindy gave a reminder that all the clubs' financial summaries and peer reviews need to be into the office by January 31st.

Fair Funding: Cindy reported that the funds for the arena have almost been secured. Getting bids for Spring is on the next Fair Board Meeting agenda. Lorena has questions about the physical plan for the arena and the need

for an additional 16ft. added and that the arena is ready by the end of June for the Horse Show. Cindy suggested that all opinions and concerns be put in writing to Rev ASAP.

Motions Made and Carried:

- 1. Motion made and carried to accept October Meeting minutes as written.**
- 2. Motion made and carried to accept December LC Executive Meeting minutes as amended.**
- 3. Motion was made and carried to use \$676.65 from the LC General Fund to replenish the knife inventory.**
- 4. Motion made and carried to accept LMAC Financial Report as written. Motion made and carried to accept Treasurer's report and amended Budget.**
- 5. Motion carried to ask the LMAC to match the EAS amount of \$4000 to keep the Pierre Franklin Award sustainable annually.**
- 6. Motion made and carried for the LMAC to submit a list of assets with the Annual Financial Report (i.e.: capital improvements) in order to keep a formal account of those assets.**
- 7. Motion was made and carried to accept the Horse Policy changes along with the Replacement Horse Form as written.**
- 8. Motion was made and carried to accept the EAS Application as amended.**
- 9. Motion was made by Flo and carried that the Pierre Franklin funds be increased from \$3400 to \$4000 with LC general fund money in order to the annual \$200 scholarship to be sustainable.**

Actions to be taken:

- 1. Action: Cindy will put a post in the *Lopez Rocks* paper promoting leader recruiting for this training.**

Next LC Meeting: March 12th on Lopez at Is. Community Church with leader training by State Staff.
Meeting adjourned at 11:00 pm
Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Cathy Cole 1/16/11