



## THURSTON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES

July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Virtual, Zoom

#### 4-H COUNCIL OFFICERS

Jenny Taylor, President  
Chris Swearingen, Vice President  
Molly Pestinger, Secretary  
Doreen Tudor-Bennett, Treasurer  
Lucas Swearingen, Teen Rep.

Meeting called to order by Jenny at 6:34 pm.

#### ATTENDANCE:

ATTENDEES
Molly Pestinger, 4-H Council Secretary, Horse Dept. Secretary, Blazing Saddles Leader
Jenny Taylor, 4-H Council President
Christine Swearingen, 4-H Council Vice President
Emily Killeen, 4-H Coordinator
Vicky McCarley, 4-H Tumwater HOPES, 4-H Family Club
Kris Shackley, 4-H Staff
Tammy Schallon, Rascals Livestock Club
Jessica Schallon, Plant and Entomology Fair Supt.
Samantha Schallon, Vet Science Fair Supt.
Eric Schallon, Environmental Stewardship Fair Supt.
Ann Shipley, Fairboard
Lucas Swearingen, Teen Rep.
Jamie Teuteberg, Steamboat Island 4-H Club
April Stanke, Leader Muttz-k-teers and Asst. Dog Supt.
Heather Delaney, Prairie Wrangler 4-H Club Leader
Juliana Venables, Diamonds in the Ruff Leader, Dog Project Supt.
Cassie Tafoya, Black Sheep Club

#### MINUTES (5/24/2021):

- Additions/corrections: None
- Motion to approve/second – Juliana Venables/Lucas Swearingen
- Motion to approve passes – unanimous approval

#### TREASURER'S REPORT (No Report)

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS: None This Month

- Horse Committee:
- Dog Committee:
- Peterson Barn Committee:
- Teen Club/Know Your Government:
- Shooting Sports Committee:

#### 4-H OFFICE REPORT

- WSU announced that they are rolling back some COVID-19 requirements. Outdoor activities can now happen without a mask, but 4-H requests we still practice six feet of separation. If meeting indoors, 4-H asks that you continue to wear a mask unless all participants are vaccinated. They would prefer that all wear a mask indoors to support those that are too young to vaccinate. Juliana asked about the barns at Fair, are they considered indoors or outdoors? Emily feels that the dog and cow barns are open air and

can be considered outdoor spaces. If you are in an area that is more closed off or crowded (like the Peterson barn) please wear a mask. Limitations for sizes have been eliminated, so we can now meet in larger groups, just need to spread out.

- In person proposals are no longer needed. Clubs can now meet without preapproval. WSU attestation forms are not needed, but please post the signs that WSU has provided. Kris has laminated signs available. Let the 4-H office know if you need signs.
- During the 4-H Youth Fair, please try to spread out, especially during eating breaks.
- If you have questions, reach out to Kris and Emily at the [tc4h@co.thurston.wa.us](mailto:tc4h@co.thurston.wa.us) email. Please remember to read the Tuesday News.
- State Fair will be an in-person event, but they haven't posted the schedule or exhibitor guide yet. Each superintendent will need to decide the qualifications for choosing state teams. Juniors can do judging this year at state.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Bylaw/Policy Updates:
  - The Bylaw/Policy Committee will meet after the 4-H Youth Fair

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Fair ribbons have been ordered. Purchase total was \$513.12. Reminder that there are no Fair premiums this year. Does the 4-H Council want to do other incentives since there is some money still in the Fair prize budget? Goodie bags were discussed.
- Teen Leader of the Year nominations are due soon. We need volunteers to interview the nominees.
- Leader of the Year nominations are due soon. Nomination forms will be posted to the Thurston County 4-H website. Emily will find out the deadlines for both Teen Leader of the year and Leader of the year.
- Scholarship Committee needed to review the scholarship applications.
- Council Meeting Dates- 4<sup>th</sup> Monday 6:30pm: August 23<sup>rd</sup> (Council leaders), Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> full 4-H Council meeting. Meetings will continue to be Zoom Virtual meetings. No meeting in December.
- If anyone has questions for Emily, please email her at [tc4h@co.thurston.wa.us](mailto:tc4h@co.thurston.wa.us)

Next meeting Monday, August 23rd at 6:30pm (Council Leaders) Virtual Zoom Meeting

Next Full 4-H Council Meeting Monday September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 Virtual Zoom Meeting

Meeting adjourned by Jenny at 7:09pm

Submitted by Molly Pestinger, Secretary