



DRAFT Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council Meeting Minutes from 4/7/2014

- I. Call to Order: 6:40 pm by Clayton Carrell (Vice President)

Attendance: Clayton and Gwen Carrell, Darcy and Grace Potts, Nichole Witt, Kayla Jelle, and Kathy Stockam, **Country Pride**; Jill and Sidney Schrader, **Cowgirls Unlimited**; Betony Simpson, Casey Stoneback, and Peggy Williams, **Wild at Heart**; Carol Saul and Wendy Bodwell, **Sea Horses**; Denise Schupback, **Best of Times**; Tracie Hansen, WSU extension.

- II. Previous Meeting Minutes: *Approved as written, motion by Gwen C., seconded by Jill S., and approved by the group.*

- III. Financial Report: Current balance is \$5,516. Still waiting on Feb and Mar bills from Fairgrounds.

- IV. 4-H General Council Report:

- a. Minutes will be coming out soon. Other information is below in Tracie's report.

- V. Extension Report:

- a. Thursday 4/10 will be the last spring volunteer training. Others will be offered in the fall.
- b. Youth Auctions deadline is Ap. 15th. Forms need to be turned into Donna Boyer and there will be a mandatory meeting May 7, 6:30 at EHS library.
- c. Clover campaign is coming! It runs 4/23-5/4 at the Monte Del's. Sat. 4/26 will be Public Presentations. Forms are on-line and you need to register with Linda W.
- d. Quilting and clothing advisors are hosting a training series, contact Tracie for more information.
- e. May 1st is the scholarship deadline.

- VI. Learning Activity:

Stick Horse Judging activity to help youth with oral presentations.

- VII. Fun Activity:

- a. Thank you Denise S. for the 4-H Wishing Wand and thank you to the participants.....we have the ability to make those wishes REALITY!

b. Nichole W. has volunteered to lead the fun activity for May.

VIII. Other/Old Business:

- a. Fair Gaming Judge Update: Tammera Russell will judge at fair. It was motioned by Gwen C., seconded by Darcy and approved by the group to pay her \$300.00 plus meals and passes.
- b. Tax Update: Still in process
- c. Clinicians: We now have 4 clinicians (Gwen C., Kathy B., Denise S., and Nichole W.) to sign off on clinic forms at future shows. Any others who are interested can contact Gwen C.
- d. Hairy Horse Show Updates: Suggestion was made to move the chain during performance to make the ring small and make the warm up area larger, especially on wet days when space is limited. Gate seemed to work better and run smoother. This was the biggest show of the series with the best volunteer turn out. Suggestion was made to have new riders/combo's put green ribbon in horses' tails so others know to help more. There were still some major safety concerns...parents and leaders need to address these when they are happening and keep 4-H a positive learning environment. Leaders be sure to help youth know the Contest Guide Rules!

IX. New Business:

- a. Prefair: Dates are June 28th (Performance) and June 29th (Gaming). Gwen and Denise are the show managers. They are in need of a trail judge and a trail course design. **Wendy B. will contact Joyce and design a course.** It was motioned by Gwen C., seconded by Carol S. and passed by the group to pay the trail judge \$50.00. Wendy will need help setting this up in the Cow Arena Saturday of Prefair. **Clayton C. will repair the bridge and make sure it's safe and functional for Prefair.**
- b. Summer Clinic: Gwen is working on a couple different options to provide another opportunity to clinic in July. Option 1: a multi-day learning clinic in the outdoor arena at the Fairgrounds. Option 2: a one day learning clinic at Cedarville Arabians. More information will follow.
- c. Fair: Gwen is still waiting to hear from the Fair Board on a final decision to finish up the schedule.
- d. Horse Possession: Carol S. clarified that horses must be in possession by May 1st to show at the fair.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36.

Next Meeting: May 5th, 2014; 6:30 p.m. Extension Office, Elma

All are welcome to attend and participate! This is your voice for our horse program!

****Bolded items can also be found in the attached table for "Action Items."**

Action Items	Person Responsible	Completed Date
Someone to lead fun activity for the May meeting.	Nichole W.	
Present an educational activity to be used at future 4H meetings.	Darcy P.	
Contact trail judge for pre-fair and design a trail course	Wendy B.	
Ask Fair Board to replace or repair heavy gate to help with gaming events.	Madison W.	
Repair trail bridge	Clayton C.	
Book cow arena for Pre-fair	Clayton C.	
Pre-fair and Fair Performance judges contacted and secured Fair judge is confirmed. Deb Hoines will judge performance for the 2014 GH fair, including dressage.	Gwen C.	1/26/2014
Colt Training Project Revisions researched, presented and approved	Gwen C., Nichole W., Grace P.	