



Draft Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council Meeting Minutes from 5/4/2015

- I. Call to Order: 6:35 pm by Brian Missildine (President)

Attendance: **Barrel Blazers** (); **Best of Times** (); **Black Hills Gold** (Kathy Brady); **Country Pride** (Gwen Carrell, Darcy and Grace Potts, Nichole Witt, Shanie Cohen, Brian Missildine); **Cowgirls Unlimited** (Jill Schrader); **Denim & Diamonds** (Julie Truax); **Galloping High Riders** (); **Humptulips Valley Hustlers** (Tom Gwin); **Live to Lope** (Cara Fredrickson); **Sea Horses** (Carol Saul and Wendy Bodwell); **Silver Spurs** (); **Thundering Hooves** (); **Wild at Heart** (Betony Simpson, Savanna Freiley, Peggy Williams); Tracie Hansen, **WSU Extension**.

- II. Previous Meeting Minutes: *Approved as written, motion by Gwen C., seconded by Betony S. and approved by the group.*
- III. Financial Report: Current balance is \$5,825.13. Discussion around having a 3 year comparison to know how we are doing regarding a budget. Carol S. will work on putting this together.
- IV. 4-H General Council Report:
 - a. Would like the 4-H to wrap up horse classes by 9:00 p.m. (Will work on this and how it will work with fairground expectation to finish by 10:00 p.m.)
- V. Extension Report:
 - a. Scholarship applications were due by May 1st
 - b. Livestock Quality Assurance mandatory meeting is Wed., May 6th at 5:00 and 6:30 at the Elma HS Library.
 - c. Teen conference in Pullman at the end of June. Info from Tracie.
 - d. Tracie is working on transferring data into a new database.
 - e. Extension will be hosting an Intern for the summer.
 - f. Dan T. is attending the National Volunteer conference. Looking forward to hearing about what he learns.
- VI. Learning Activity: N/A –Darcy will work on putting together a multi-week judging class to help all kids improve judging skills. If you have any thoughts or suggestions that you would like to see in the classes.

VII. Fun Activity:

- a. Thank you Grace for the activity and being willing to jump in at the last minute.
- b. Nichole has volunteered to lead the fun activity for June.**

VIII. Other/Old Business:

- a. HHS Update: New volunteer list is coming out this week. Please encourage kids to volunteer and remind them they need 4 hours volunteer time, Peggy W. is in charge of tracking the hours. Please remember to treat our judges with respect. Any questions should be taken to the show manager, not directly to the judge. Wild at Heart will do the Poop Scoop for the show.
- b. July Clinic Update: July 7-9 (8-5),(Possibly only doing 2 days) There will be time spent every day on gaming, groundwork, performance, showmanship and trail. Dressage, judging, desensitizing will be done one per day during the clinics. Discussed pricing and need for volunteers to help teach the clinics. It was approved to spend up to \$1700.00 on the clinic.
- c. Prefair Update: Looked at premiums, Gwen will add trail and everything else looks good.

IX. New Business:

- a. Proposed fair schedules were passed out and will be discussed at the next meeting. Also, we have the arena for Sunday and can do a fundraiser? Further discussion will take place at the June meeting.
- b. Spring Youth Fair: 2 GH kids attended.
- c. Fair Committees: Clubs need to sign up for fair committees, some will need to meet before fair to plan their responsibilities.
- d. Drop Class Form: Fill out a form ahead of time if you missed dropping after Tuesday night of fair.
- e. State Fair will be a week longer this year, but horse schedule will be very similar. Test 3 is the Dressage pattern for state fair.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00.

Next Meeting is MANDATORY: June 1st, 2015; 6:30 p.m. Extension Office, Elma

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