

## GENERAL 4-H COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

### October 14, 2013

#### Meeting Minutes

Present: Linda Waltenburg, Davona Gwin, Cathy Cozad, Erica Cozad, Denise Schupbach, Clayton Carrell, Etta Bondy, Teena Butterfield, Dan Teuteberg and Tracie Hanson.

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by President Linda Waltenburg. The Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge were recited.
- II. **Attendance Sheet:** An attendance sheet was distributed.
- III. **Minutes:** Minutes of the August 26m 2013 meeting were read and approved as presented.
- IV. **Financial Report:** Davona Gwin report on the following account balances as of October 14, 2013:
  - a. Checking: .....\$ 491.21 (after scholarships and postage)
  - b. Food Booth Account:.....\$ 1892.60 (includes cowboy breakfast revenue)
  - c. Camp Account: .....\$ 7003.53 (as of 9/25/2013)
  - d. Savings Account: .....\$ 5,587.71
  - e. Save 4-H CD:.....\$ 12,603.43
- V. **Energizing Activity:** Thank you Dan for leading a fun group activity. There were no volunteers for coordinating the activity at the November meeting.
- VI. **Reports of Project Groups:**
  - a. 4-H Horse Council:
    - ▶ New officers elected: Jill Schrader as treasurer and president position is still vacant
    - ▶ Committees are formed for reviewing the fair 4-H exhibitors guide and the animal replacement policy
    - ▶ Planning is underway for 2014 fair including reviewing schedule and exhibitors guide
    - ▶ General council activities were presented to the horse council.
- VII. **Committee Reports:**
  - a. Committee Chairman Selection
    - ▶ Linda W. asked for committee volunteers; however, it was suggested that the committee sign up form be reviewed. It was agreed that the form has not been distributed to 4-H clubs and that there has been dialogue regarding the committee responsibility and defining what each does. Linda requested those interested in reviewing the form stay after the meeting and discuss the form and how the committees are dictated by the bylaws.

## **VIII. 4-H Youth Development Report:**

- a. **Happy new 4-H year!**
- b. It is National 4-H Week with both Grays Harbor and Mason County commissioners signing a proclamation acknowledging the 4-H program.
- c. The 4-H Cafés were very successful with a lot of great dialogue. A copy of the conversation notes and responses were distributed.
- d. The telephone survey will commence about mid-October thru mid-November. The survey will offer another year of comparable data.
- e. Leaders training is scheduled for Nov. 7 in Mason County and club leader training is scheduled for Nov. 14.
- f. There has been a change in the WSU / 4-H contract signing authority. What this means is that all contracts for 4-H must be submitted through the WSU contracts department with a three month review and signing process. All 4-H programs will have to be proactive and do advance planning for contractual events and services. Other contracting alternatives are encouraged such as running judges through the fairgrounds, etc.
- g. The Del's Clover campaign is underway. A thank you is encouraged closed to October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- h. Several record books have been turned in.

## **IX. Current Activities:**

- a. Hospitality Room for forum on October 25-27, 2013 in Vancouver, WA.
  - ▶ Davona reported on the following:
    1. GH has the hospitality room:
      - a. Friday, Oct. 25:
        - i. 8:00 am – 9:30 am (Tom & Davona)
      - b. Saturday, Oct. 26:
        - i. 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
        - ii. 9:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
      - c. Sunday, Oct. 27:
        - i. 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. (split with Thurston County)
    2. We will need to provide cookies, refreshments, fruit, and vegetables. Please bring to extension office by Thursday, October 24 at 10:00 a.m.
    3. Denise will furnish the auction basket. Tracie will provide 4-H hospitality pins.

**X. Unfinished Business:**

**a. Nominations:**

- ▶ West County Representative: Etta Bondy agreed to a two year term. A position description will be provided. Roberta Harrison begins the second year of her term.
- ▶ Central County Representative: Beth Hargrove has another year on her two-year term.
- ▶ East County Representative: Brenda Vessey has another year on her two-year term. Nancy Graham's position is up for a two-year term.
- ▶ Panhandle Board Representative needed as Tammy stepped down. It was agreed that this will be discussed at a later time.
- ▶ President: Linda Waltenburg was nominated and elected to a two year term.
- ▶ Vice President: Cathy Cozad was nominated and elected to a two year term.

**b. Fall Bingo:**

- ▶ A financial report was provided by Davona. There was net revenue of \$771.90.
- ▶ Denise will provide a list of basket donors to Linda W.

**c. Del's Clover Campaign:**

- ▶ It was agreed that Linda W. and Cathy will personally thank Del's on or around the 20<sup>th</sup>. Noah is the manager handling the scheduling of events. It was suggested that the Vidette be invited to take pictures.

**d. Record Books:**

- ▶ Initial numbers look like up to 30 books have been turned in.

**e. Window Display Results:**

- ▶ There were two entries (Best of Times and 4-H Factory) and it came down to one point with Best of Times winning. The deciding factor was the visibility from a distance. It was also suggested that next year, the display be held a little later and use October as 4-H month.

**f. Achievement Program:**

- ▶ The program will be held at 2:00 p.m. at the Sharon Grange in Oakville. Nancy is connecting with senior members for announcing. Tom is sending postcard invitations to the members and leaders receiving awards.

**g. Member of Year Nominations:**

- ▶ A reminder to get the member of the year nominations to the extension office by October 15.

**XI. New Business:**

a. Fair Exhibitor's Guide:

- ▶ Changes need to be made as soon as possible and submitted to the fairgrounds before January 2014.

**XII. Unfinished Business:**

a. Topics of Interest:

- ▶ Dan reported that the government shutdown has impacted the 4-H staffing and as a result, union representation has become involved. Due to union seniority, Tracie's position has been impacted and Dan is working with the extension staff to address this issue.
- ▶ Forum: Linda W. distributed a list of 4-H recommendations proposed by various counties. Of the recommendations, two were General 4-H Fair related, one Foods related and at least six were Equine related. After reviewing each recommendation, it was noted that many of these items needed review by others as they involved areas that we as a council are not knowledgeable about such as dressage driving, etc. Several items will be left up to the delegates to discuss and agree upon.
- ▶ Forum Expenses: A motion was made and seconded to reimburse the forum registration fees to those attending as the amount appears to be nominal.
- ▶ Planning Session: Linda W. asked if the Board was interested in a planning session. There was discussion of a Doodle poll. But, it was agreed that there will be a planning session on October 28, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

**XIII. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.