Grays Harbor 4-H Council Meeting Minutes November 18, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by President, Linda Waltenburg.

Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge

Roll Call: Linda Waltenburg, Black Hills Gold; Cathy Cozad and Tom Gwin, Humptulips Valley Hustlers; Nancy Graham and Lilli Townsend, 4-H Factory; Dan Teuteberg and Tracie Hanson, WSU Extension

Minutes of the October meeting were reviewed. *Cathy moved to approve the minutes as written, Tom seconded, and the group passed the motion.*

Financial report:

Food Booth: \$1,179.78 after transferring \$712.84 to Savings from Pancake Breakfast fundraiser Savings: \$2,800.69 after transferring \$3,500 to checking for Achievement Program expenses

Checking: \$1,861.90 Camp: \$7,003.53 CD: \$12,603.43

Energizing Activity:

- A. Thank you Dan for facilitating the dialogue about holiday traditions!
- B. Volunteer needed to facilitate the December activity. Many ideas available online or at the WSU Extension office!

Reports of Project Groups:

- A. Horse Council elected new secretary and treasurer at October meeting.
- B. Minutes sent out to general membership.

Committee Reports, Committee Sign-up and Recruitment:

- A. Review of committee sign-up sheets submitted at this time.
- B. Linda and Cathy will finish updating the form so that the WSU Extension office can forward it to the entire GH 4-H community.

4-H Youth Development Report:

- A. Dan and Tracie each presented workshops at the 2013 4-H Volunteer Forum. A number of Grays Harbor County volunteers attended.
- B. Dan attended the 2013 Association for Experiential Education conference and presented a workshop with Mason County 4-H volunteer, Krag Unsoeld.

Current Activities:

A. See attached list of activities and proposed dates for the 2013-2014 year.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Nominations and election of officers (Secretary, East and Central County Reps, 1 position each).
 - a. Cathy nominated Nancy as East County Representative, and Tom moved to cast a unanimous ballot to elect her, which was passed by the group.

- b. Tom and Linda would like to work together to create a spreadsheet to list the current officers, and the terms of their office.
- B. Panhandle Board Position opening
 - a. The volunteer board has invited the 4-H community to attend their Annual Meeting, which will be held at Panhandle from 10-noon on Sunday, November 24th.
- C. Del's Clover Campaign Update
 - a. Nationwide, this has been the most successful campaign to date.
 - b. A number of clubs visited Del's during the Fall campaign to share their 4-H stories.
 - c. Linda and Cathy met with the store manager, Noah, to thank him for their help during the campaign.
 - d. Linda and Cathy would like to connect with Noah about coordinating the Spring Campaign (April 16-27th) with the county-wide public presentation event.
- D. Fair Exhibitor's Guide submit changes prior to January 2014
 - a. Nancy suggested that the 4-H Fair Committee e-mail superintendents to remind them of the upcoming deadline to submit changes.
- E. Update on Achievement Program
 - a. The event was well-attended and it was great to reflect on the past year by having youth read the 4-H stories from their Record Books.
- F. Update on 2013 Forum

New Business:

- A. 2014 Council Goals
 - a. Timely communications with 4-H Staff, Leaders, Members and Fair Staff and E-Board
 - b. Draft meeting minutes will be distributed to all officers and anyone else in attendance at that meeting for approval prior to next general council meeting.
 - c. Approved meeting minutes will be posted on Extension website.
 - d. Encourage involvement by sharing knowledge amongst leaders, members and clubs.
 - e. Create directories of leaders, clubs and phone numbers, e-mail addresses and club projects and store on website. Website should also have all council committee members with phone numbers and descriptions.
 - f. Form a Teen council and recruit a Teen Advisor.
- B. Dialogue about roles of volunteers and Extension staff working together collaboratively.
- C. Tom reported that the Recognition and Awards committee had received letters from WSU indicating that scholarship funds have been received for all three 2013 recipients.
- D. Thank you notes for 4-H Leader Pins
 - a. Cathy Cozad volunteered to send a thank you card to the State Grange for their support of 4-H Volunteer pins on behalf of the council.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for 6:30 pm Monday, December 9th at the Forestry Building in Montesano.

Respectfully Submitted, Tracie Hanson, Pro Tem