

Grays Harbor 4-H Leaders Council

Meeting Minutes

August 27, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Cathy Cozad

Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge

Roll Call: Nancy Graham, Cathy Cozad, Linda Waltenburg, Ed Swalander, Jeff Wetzel, Connie Brown, Tracie Hansen

Minutes of the July meeting were not available

Financial Report was not available

Report of the Horse Project Group was not available due to the Horse Council meeting tonight at the same time as the Leaders Council's meeting.

Committee Reports

A. **Fair Committee** Chairperson Nancy Graham said fair went really well, that there were no real problems besides one or two small issues Dan took care of. Would like to schedule a fair wrap up meeting sometime in the second half of September with all of the Superintendents.

B. **Fundraising (Celebrate our Kids)**. Cathy said we need to pick a date for the end of the year Celebration we typically have in November just before Veterans Day. There was discussion back and forth about which date would work best, the Friday before Veterans day when the kids would then have a three-day weekend or on a weekend day. It was decided to find out if there is a football game on Friday November 9th before securing that date for the Celebration. We need to set a date for the Celebrate Our Kids Committee to meet and organize the event. Cathy will send out an email requesting volunteers for the committee and submissions for best dates available to meet next month. Cathy will look into ordering the Rosettes and Pins for the Event.

C. **Cowboy Breakfast** co-chair Connie Brown says that the breakfast went very well, everyone had a good time especially in the kitchen. Some logistical problems need to be worked out, for example, the servers could have assigned tables and having a designated clean-up crew so there is no confusion on who is doing what. We made more that \$1300 (?) which is the highest profit so far for this fundraiser.

Council Reps Reports

A. **GH 4-H Panhandle Rep** and Board President Jeff Wetzel and Panhandle Board member Ed Swalander reported on the demise of the office building at Panhandle. The office has succumbed to rot and will be torn down. The office will move into the Yurt. Green Diamond, who owns the entry road into Panhandle has decided to start charging Panhandle for the rights to use the road. Panhandle has paid them \$800 to cover the remainder of the year's access. Panhandle is in currently trying to negotiate an agreement to buy or transfer land on an adjacent property that could be used to build an access road into Panhandle. There is also the possibility of a future Archery and bb/pellet gun range on adjacent WSU land. There was discussion about conflicting by-laws where Panhandle (by-laws amended Jan 2018) has a two-term limit on Council selected board members but Grays Harbor 4-H Leaders Council has "no" term limits.

B. **Youth Live Stock Auction Rep** Nancy Graham reported that the Auction went really well but the committee has not met for a wrap up meeting yet. There was discussion on looking into bring back the forms for the 4-H kids to fill out to show the public at fair how much it cost to raise their auction animal. There was also the discussion on the possibility of no Steers going to auction next year because there is very little profit.

4-H Youth Development Repot

A. **4-H Program Coordinator** Tracie Hanson reported on the up coming training being set up for volunteers and 4-H Club leaders that have not already taken the training. She also talked about the State 4-H Forum happening in October in Spokane. There was discussion about the high cost to attend with almost \$300 registration fee for 3 days, lost of work hours for Friday and Monday and cost of lodging and gas.

Current Activities

August 31 st – Sept 23 rd	WA State 4-H Fair
Sept 19 th	GH Fair and Volunteer Mtg 6:30 pm
Oct 1 st	New 4-H Year
Oct 8 th	4-H Council Mtg & Elections, Record Books and Award Entries/Nominations Due
Oct 19 th – 21 st	State 4-H Forum, Spokane
Nov 8 th or 9 th	Celebrate Our Kids Event including Dinner/Auction/Awards

Unfinished Business

A. **State 4-H Forum** requests County Leader of the Year Nominations by September 1st. Request to go out again for nominations due to Cathy by Thursday of this week.

New Business

A. **4-H Promotion** was brought up by Nancy. We need to get the word out about the Window Display contest to promote 4-H. It is usually due up by mid-October for judging. Awards for this contest are giving out at the Celebrate Our Kids event in November.

There were no other topic of interests or unfinished discussions.

The next Leaders Council Meeting will be held at the GH County Extension Office on October 8th, 2018 at 6pm

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm, Minutes Submitted by Cathy Cozad, President and Secretary pro tem