

Grays Harbor 4-H General Council Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2019

1. Call the meeting to order @6:05pm
2. Flag Salute & 4-H Pledge
3. Roll Call
 - a. Donna Brewer, Phantom Riders & Council Secretary
 - b. Tracie Hanson, Program Coordinator
 - c. Dan Teuteberg, 4-H Youth Development Regional
 - d. Connie Brown
 - e. David Downing
 - f. Correen Downing
 - g. Cathy Cozad, Council President
 - h. Ed Swalander
 - i. Nancy Graham via Skype
 - j. Rhonda Borden
4. Approval of previous e-board mtg minutes
 - Donna has not sent out minutes for last 2 meetings, will send those
5. Financial Report
 - Camp Book was fun, not totally done
 - Connie went over balances of Camp, General Fund, Outstanding checks, Deposits, CD & Savings accounts – Written report was shared
6. Communications
 - None
7. Reports of Project Groups
 - Horse Council
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8. Committee Reports
 - a. Camp –
 - Camp was survived
 - 6-7 kids on camp-ships
 - Lots of fundraising was successful
 - Challenges finding bodies to assist in the kitchen
 - Great weather, kids had fun
 - Taylor is doing a great job, lots of growth
 - b. Fair – How Country Feels – August 7-11th, 2019 - Nancy
 1. Schedule for Fair Wrap-Up
 - Need to schedule a Wrap-Up meeting
 - Nancy reports great fair
 - Sept 24 @6pm
 - Donna also reports terrific fair, the best in her experience of 15+ years
 - c. Fundraising
 1. Cowboy Breakfast (wrap-Up)
 - Great time had by all
 - 2 dads that worked it, have new suggestions for next year

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- Still waiting on 2 donations that have not yet been received
- Cake Auction brought in quite a lot – all cakes won based on different merits
 - kids each received a pin for Leadership
- 273 breakfasts purchased
- Planning was very close to supplies needed
- Great partnership with Dairy – they donated butter
- Connie suggests that the Council purchase the basic utensils, crock pots & warming pans, which could also be used for Celebrate Our Kids
 - 2. Celebrate Our Kids Nov 7th
- Need Chair and Planning Committee
 - Cathy nominates Mary, who is not present
 - Connie says she will assist Mary
- Need to Schedule planning Committee Meeting in Sept & Oct
 - Connie suggests that we add the Celebrate Our Kids planning meeting directly after the Fair Wrap-Up Meeting
- Large award order needed
 - No rosettes left, the thought has been that we may be changing awards – so we need to make an order
- -- Cathy has previously purchased awards on her personal account but she really feels that we need to have a debit or credit card on our accounts
- -- Dan can bring in the policies and practices that Mason County uses
- -- Cards would be kept in the office, would need to be checked out for specific purpose & amount of time
- -- Tracie can pull the paperwork from the bank to get the ball rolling
- Leader of the year Nomination due to Forum by Oct 1
 - Need to start thinking about leaders that should be nomination
 - Forum is in SeaTac this year

9. Council Reps Report:

A. Panhandle

- Rhonda – Haunted Panhandle Event being planned for Oct 26
 - Start at 2pm & go until 8pm
 - Trick Or Treat thru the Camp, into the barns
 - Linda may do some treats
 - Looking for sponsorships
 - \$200 to sponsor a cabin to decorate & run the activity at that cabin, will also receive radio spots
- 21 cabins
- Pumpkin scavenger hunt on the trails

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- This is a avenue to get Panhandle out into the public, have been working on branding and logos
 - Volunteers are encouraged
 - Free to attend, costume contest
 - Will be soliciting for a month, if there is enough interest for fundraising, then they will solidify the date & plan
 - Need 2 new Panhandle Reps (1 appointed for 2 remaining yrs & 1 for 3 yr term) – Ed
 - Need to recruit new delegates
 - Jeff Wetzel has resigned due to health issues
 - Vice President will be done at the first of the year
 - Linda Howarth, position is up
 - Property dispute with WSU has been executed properly
 - If WSU ever decides to sell the property, Panhandle has the first option for purchase
 - In negotiations with Green Diamond for 30 acres in front of Panhandle
 - This is the last option for adding land to Panhandle, this parcel is the access road
- B. GH Youth Livestock Auction
- Had auction at Fair
 - Success, people loved the extensions of the arena
 - Small issue at the end of fair with a sick hog, bacterial infection that gets in the sick & caused a very high fever – hog is doing well and will still be able to be butchered when the medication is done – infection can be transferred to turkeys
 - Auction committee extends appreciation to students, families & community for their cooperation during this crisis
 - Fast acting bacteria, turkey usually perish within 24 hours
 - Committee will be looking at practices & procedures for when animal breeds are in the same area & cross-contamination is possible

10. 4-H Youth Development Reports

A. Tracie Hanson, Program Coordinator

- State Fair is around the bend
- Connect with Tracie if anything else is needed
- Marilyn, Connie & Cathy Fuller are all available to assist
- Next Round of 4-H Kick Offs coming up after State Fair, First part of Oct, Could be 7-18th of October
- Clover Campaign Oct 9-20th

B. Dan Teuteberg, 4-H Youth Development Regional

- Building is getting new siding, paint, stairs, roof, windows, sidewalk
- Interior work is planned for next year
- Crimson & Grey colors for WSU

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- Budget has been submitted – has asked to increase Small Farms position – received with favor for no final answer yet
- Email sent to review State policies
- WSU is reigning in some fiscal policies, including limiting Treasurer position
- - no mobile banking
- Scott Vanderway, is leaving WSU & going back to being a teacher
- Mason County has submitted for FTE Small Farms person
- - Dan has been giving Septic workshops and is happy to give that over to the new person

11. Current Events

A. Dates to Remember

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| - Aug 30 th – Sept 22 nd | WA State 4-H Fair, Puyallup |
| - Sept 18 th | GHC Fair Volunteer Meeting, 6:30pm |
| - TBA | 4-H Club Kickoffs |
| - Oct 1 st | New 4-H Year Begins |
| - Oct 9-20 th | TSC Paper Clover Campaign |
| - Oct 11 th -13 th | WA State 4-H Forum in Seattle |
| - Oct 14 th | Year-End Award Paperwork Due |
| - Nov 7 th | Celebrate Our Kids Recognition Event |
| - Dec 2 nd | 4-H New Year Paperwork & Re-enrollment Due |

12. Unfinished Business

A. Revise Constitution & Bylaws to reflect monthly meeting (without the need to specify “second Monday” etc.)

- Because we have considered changing meeting days
- Correen motions moving meetings to the 3rd Thursday of the month
- David seconds
- Motion passes
- First meeting will be Oct 17th @6pm

B. Moving forward, monthly meetings will now be scheduled for the third Thursday

13. New Business

A. Schedule Audit & Prepare Annual Financial Summary

- Need to schedule
- Mary, Connie, Cathy & Nancy are on Audit Committee
- Looks at the past 4-H year, paperwork is due to WSU on Dec 1
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B. Nomination Committee Prepare for Election Offices (VP Chair)

- 1 President (2 year)
- Vice President (2 year)
- At Large 2 & 3 (1 year)
- Teen Representative (1 year)
- Advisor to the Board (1 year)

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- Need to consider new people for positions to bring new blood & ideas into the Board
14. Other topics of Interest, Club Reports or unfinished Reports or Discussions
- State T-Shirts will arrive in a few days
 - Sapphire blue with Silver sparkle for girls & without sparkle for boys
 - Ed Swalander – Christmas Party Dec 6th 6pm – all Councils invited – Potluck side dishes
 - Ed is a Member at Large on our Board but is about 3 years over on term – Council likes having Ed in this position and would like him to continue
 - Panhandle needs financing to obtain a new dishwasher – the second hand one they purchased is not adequate for their needs – new one will cost approximately \$7,000 - \$8,000
 - Donations happily accepted – Recommended to put this issue over to the October meeting and allow the new boards to be the decision makers on this
 - Need to see what the Camp balances and the new budget are after the year end

15. Adjourn Meeting @7:26 pm – Thank you for attending!

Next Leaders Council Meeting October 17th @ 6pm at the G.H. County Extension Office

Next Executive Board Meeting November TBA @ 6pm at the G.H. County Extensions Office