

Minutes for Mason Co. 4-H council meeting...January 9, 2024
WSU Mason Co. Extension and Zoom

Those present: Marilyn Brennan, Jamie Teuteberg, Michael Bigelow, Wendy Vance, Mckenzie Vance, Owen Teuteberg, Bethany Breckenridge, Denny Breckenridge, Katelynn Wallace, Dan Teuteberg, Heather Doran.

- 1.Meeting Called to order at 6:05 pm. by President Wendy Vance..
- 2.pledges recited
- 3.Owen Teuteberg moved to accept December Minutes as written, Mckenzie Vance seconded, Voted on, Motion carried.
- 4.Treasurer's report (Michael Bigelow): General fund balance is \$7,616.32...full report available on website. Michael reminded us that he is in the final year of his 2-year tenure as treasurer...would be good for interested parties to start learning procedures for that office...contact Heather or Michael.
5. Extension update (Dan):
 - Dan has resigned from his position on United Way board.
 - United Way is asking 4-H again to contribute to the May Auction fundraiser...Michal Bigelow moved to allow a maximum of \$100. for the creation of a basket for the auction. Owen seconded, voted on, motion carried. Wendy will head up this effort.
 - Mike Bruhner (sp?) from Grays Harbor Fair contacted Dan with information on the Fair Super School. Dates are March 15 & 16. Contact Dan for more information.
 - The 16th is the date of our previously planned Super Saturday. Heather reported that there was some miscommunication concerning the cost of using the Olympic College facilities...turns out that it is much more than we are willing to pay. With the Fair Super School being scheduled for the same day, etc. the council agreed that plans for our Super Saturday be postponed.
 - Dan and Marilyn met to work on simplifying budget line items in preparation for developing a budget for this year. The proposed budget framework is as follows:

4-H spending accounts:

Archery

General Fund

Outreach (Clover Kids)

Robotics

Higher Education Scholarships

Teen Leadership

4-H Savings accounts:

Certificates of deposit

Savings

Dan suggests that a budget committee work on a budget proposal for next meeting.

Marilyn and Michael volunteered.

Jamie Teuteberg moved that the proposed budget framework and the budget committee to work on developing a budget be approved...Owen seconded, voted on, motion carried.

- *Dan described an awards program for 4-H teens called the 'Key Award'. This is an overall 4-H Achievement award (non-monetary). The council members discussed the possibility of developing this program for this year and inviting High School Juniors to apply. Dan will get more information for us to present at next meeting.*
- *'Helping Scarlett' update- The woodworking package was delivered to Scarlett before Christmas...Scarlett was thrilled and is already working on projects.*

6. Committee Reports:

- *4-H Camp (Jamie): They are two training sessions in (43 youth) and the planning is going very well. Looking at a person- by- person assessment to place youth in the best possible camp duty position. There will be a Zoom informational session for adults interested in participating at camp sometime within the next 6 weeks.*
- *4-H County Fair: No news at this time...4-H Fair Committee meeting on Jan. 16th.*
- *Robotics (Michael): Partnership with Library going very well.*

Heather mentioned that there are two STEM Resource Conservation Kits available for free.

7. Club spotlight:

- *Key Peninsula 4-H Club (Bethany)...2 new families! They just secured a meeting place at the 'Red Barn Youth Center'.*
- *Trailblazers (Kaitlin)...Group is still growing with interests ranging from archery to baking & sewing and more!*
- *Steamboat (Jamie)...1st sewing project meeting schedule for Saturday if weather permits. Bake sale to raise funds for club campout coming up at Companion Cove Feed Store. Jamie informed us that the Master Gardeners through the Community Garden program is open to 4-H clubs!*
- *Tech Changemakers (Jamie)...Jan 31st they are scheduled for a Community Meeting event...Also will be presenting at library twice monthly beginning in February through May or June.*

8. Other/misc.-

- *Heather informed us that our supply of 4-H Swag and pins is dangerously low...we gave her the green light to choose and order as needed...and if anyone has items in mind that would be a good addition, just let Heather know.*

9. Meeting adjourned @ 7:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted.
Marilyn Brennan