

Kitsap County 4-H Council



Clear Creek Community Club, Silverdale

Leaders Council minutes April 6, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:45 PM by Kevin Buyer

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Andy and the 4-H Pledge lead by Paige started the proceedings.

Council Members in Attendance

Kevin Buyer 17
Jill Schwartz 16
Bruce Bradley 16
Chuck Endicott 17
Aaron Stahowiak 18

Others in Attendance

Brian Brandt 16
Lan Taylor 17
Michaela Buyer 16
Paige Harkness 18
Andy Brandt 16

Vicki Avery Dianna Calhoun
Heidi Brandt Josette Stenbom
Shannon Cass Marcia Gibbons
Travis Harkness Harry Hibler
Kay Hibler Janet Kalmen
Erin Forck Pamela Lovitt
Katie Matteson Nick Matteson
Julie Mirth Danna Robinson
Jo Ann Wright-Godfrey Nanette Seevers
Mike Vogel Aubrey Malcolm

WSU Extension Office Personnel in Attendance

Shannon Harkness
Abby Brandt
Sheila Jernigan
Kelly Sciarrotta

March Council minutes were provided in the meeting packet. Corrections to the minutes were provided. Council Minutes were accepted as corrected.

Treasurer’s Report – Bruce Bradley as of Mar 31 2016

General Funds	\$6,172.36	Camp General Fund	\$5887.83
Designated Funds	\$7,291.32	Camp Designated Funds	\$7318.26
Grants	\$2,776.85		
Investments	\$49,892.93		

Correspondence:

A thank you for your support card was presented from the participants of the KYG Rally.

4-H Office News

Presented by Shannon Harkness
She announced that she had resigned from WSU Extension Kitsap Office and this was her last Council meeting.
Highlights during her 3 year tenure include:
Last three years we have aligned our policies with state and national 4-H policies.
Enrollment system has changed 3 times and on-line procedures were required.
25 % increase in enrollment
Challenge training and gathering new contacts of others in area.
Bremerton School District success program
Rebuilt the horse program so that is highly functioning.
Total of 56 clubs, up 8 from 2013
Three trips to DC with Teens
Planning in process for the upcoming DC trip for next year.
Participation in state wide teen events has increased.
Increased Volunteer hours recording.
Tractor machinery and farm safety class 25 Youth participated.
Multiple leader trainings

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Increased partnership with local and national stores
Peterson Farm Sale providing livestock scholarships .
Military partnerships have been strengthened

Shannon stated that she was leaving due to health issues and she needs to spend more time concentrating on family.
After the meeting there will be cake and ice cream.

The Interagency agreement has been posted on the website for the use of the Kitsap County Fairgrounds.
Looking for building inspectors to view and give a report on the condition of the barns.
Pass on the information to Brian Brandt WSU.

The Equine agreement is still a work in progress.

Kitsap County Volunteer appreciation is April 12 4:30 to 6:30 Court Administration Building Port Orchard.

Contracts and how they are handled flowchart was developed and a handout was provided.

The Kitsap County Fair Board would like to hear from 4-H if anyone is available to attend.
Their meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6 pm at the Eagles Nest or the Pavillion.

Council and Officer Board Reports

4-H Council and Camp Program checking accounts were transferred to Kitsap Bank from Wells Fargo.
Paid \$60.00 to State 4-H program for annual fees as required per the budget line item.
Talked about the Teen trip to DC and airfare required. We will run the money through the 4-H Council rather than the State 4-H Foundation due to the Foundation charging 8% to use their account.

Clover Academy was a successful educational event and it raised \$272.

A Float in the Armed Forces Day Parade: Susan would like to hear from anyone interested, emails would be fine.
Kevin had a very beneficial job running around being the pooper scooper during the parade. We received much applause during the parade.

There is also the Whaling Days Parade in July if any group is interested.

Council Spots to fill 2 adults and 1 youth.

Year end awards committee will be looking at the forms They will try to simplify forms and applications.

Scholarships for summer camp at Lutherhaven current budget is \$400. The plan is for the money to be divided up between the requesters.

Looked into getting Kitsap 4-H onto the Combined Federal Campaign list. Deadline has passed for this year, but they are revising the way groups get put onto the list and we will watch for next year's signup dates.

There are some corrections to the Cavy Judging contest from last year which gave the Kitsap County 4-H Senior Team first in the state. Congratulations!

Several open positions for Barn Superintendents Applications are available if interested.

The Kitsap County Fair Board will be requiring animals to stay an hour later at the Fair on Sunday until 7PM. We have safety concerns for the participants and animals. Question was asked why is this needed and the answer is they moved the start of the Demolition Derby one hour to the right so they would like the exhibits to stay open for that hour. Looking at options; one recommendation was to send the Fair Board an email on your opinions on how it affects the children and the extra chaos closing later will be on children, parents and the animals.

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Brian Brandt (WSU) asked that 4-H volunteers not to contact staff member outside of scheduled working hours. Emails are fine, but don't expect replies until normal working hours. Respect their time off.

4-H has been in Kitsap County for 100 Years. Is there interest in having a t-shirt logo celebrating the event? The Teen group working on some ideas for a logo.

We were reminded the Fair Board only allows each group to have one raffle. Not each club, but 4-H as a group could have a raffle if we wanted. If interested contact Kevin. The prize could be 1 big item or several smaller items. Are there any 4-H projects that are thinking of doing a raffle? It all needs to be coordinated. Raffles are controlled by Washington State with rules we have to follow. Look at a drawing if many items are being presented.

Talked about clubs making scrap books and displaying them at the fair. This could be a category for clubs at the Awards Banquet. A lot of discussion on who would judge them and etc.. Work on coordination the requirements and set it up to start at the beginning of the year. There is already a category for group projects and this could easily be submitted in that category.

Committee and Project Reports

Twin Lakes update inventory

The camp inventory is on hold. Chuck will not be available in April or May due to work. Talked about having the camp teens assisting during June or early July prior to camp.

Camp program July 31 to August 4 for camp,

Becky was not at the meeting. A text was read from her. We have still not heard about the rental agreement. WSU said it is still in process. Even though we do not have an agreement preparations continue. Currently working on the Risk Management plan by refining and updating the 2015 version. The teens are gathering items and information on prehistory in Washington State. They are also working on putting together the daily schedules. Planning for registrations is being coordinated and are waiting for the rental agreement to be approved before starting to take registrations.

Final paperwork is being worked on waiting for lawyers to complete and a meeting to be scheduled.

Real-estate taxes are due on 30 April what do we do if not finalized by then. The comment by Kevin was 4-H would have to pay the first half taxes with the money coming from the Camp designated fund unless something can be worked with ORM or TLYC. If the DEED is signed prior to 30 April it will fall on TLYC to ensure the taxes are paid.

Public Presentations

Heidi is looking for judges. Please contact if able to support. Only four People had signed up to be judges. Also need Teen Clerks. Dates will be Friday 22 April 3 to 7 and Saturday 23 April 9 to Noon

Horse Arena Committee

Main building is complete, Electrical and Structure signed off by County. The County has approved leaving the drain field in place for now so the lower bathrooms can remain open. The Fairgrounds staff is fairly confident we will have the equine agreement soon. The committee is looking for a large amount of dirt. ECO Blocks are also needed. After the blocks get set, the Kitsap County Parks Department will finish the new road around the arena. The fencing for the practice arena will be coming back to be installed. Looking for sources for the main fencing, but it may not be installed prior to fair.

Clover Academy Highlights

A lot of participation and good time was had by all. The date for the 2017 event has already been set for Saturday January 21, 2017.

By-laws Committee

Waiting on WSU to finalize the program instructions before we proceed with our county's updates.

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Old Business

No Old Business

New Business

The floor was opened for nominations of 2 adults and 1 teen council member. No nominations were made. If you know of anyone who wants to be on the council, please have them attend the next meeting.

Archery is having the second annual club shoot at the Kitsap club. They need information on liability insurance. Shannon recommended that Mike contact Brian Brandt (WSU) for the paperwork.

It was recommended that 4-H get on the County Commissioners calendar in October to celebrate 100 years partnership with 4-H with a cake and maybe a proclamation by the county commissioners supporting 4-H.

Announcements:

Archery is going to have their second annual Triathlon in June and the event will be open to all 4-Hers. Watch for fliers in the near future.

Purple up day if you combine all the colors of the military flags it represents purple. Purple up day scheduled for April 15 to show our support for military families in Kitsap county.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.