

Kitsap County 4-H Council



Clear Creek Community Club, Silverdale

4-H Council Minutes Feb 1, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Jill Schwartz

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alyssa Balstad; the 4-H Pledge was led by Andrew Brandt to start the meeting.

**Council Members in Attendance**

Alyssa Balstad	19	Brian Brandt	19
Kristin Balstad	18	Andrew Brandt	19
Kevin Buyer	17	Chuck Endicott	17
Becky Khalvik	19	Marianne Gibbons	19
Tiffany Ramirez	18	Alexis Perron	19
Aaron Stahowiak	18	Jill Schwartz	19
		Lan Taylor	
		Mike Vogel	19

**Others in Attendance**

	Bruce Bradley
Heidi Brandt	Corrina Coan
Harry Hibler	Katie Matteson
Kay Hibler	Jami Perron
Marcia Gibbons	Nanette Seevers
Debbie McKeever	Jeanette Winn
Kelly Sciarrotta	
Julie Mirth	

**WSU Extension Office Personnel in Attendance**

	Sheila Jernigan
Joy Lile	Elisabeth Wilder

January Council minutes were provided in the meeting packet.  
Council Minutes were accepted as corrected.

**Treasurer's Report – Brian Brandt as of Jan 31, 2017**

General Funds	\$10,886.45	Camp General Fund	\$6,909.29
Designated Funds	\$6,278.65	Camp Designated Funds	\$8,177.47
Grants	\$2,776.85		
Investments	\$53,482.10		

**Correspondence:**

There was no correspondence this month.

**4-H Office News:**

All Superintendent positions have been filled with the exception of the Swine barn. There are a few who would like to be replaced next year.

There are a few new clubs being started. A fishing club, an equine club and an after school program on the Key Peninsula. There's also interest in possibly starting a robotics club. There are still about 100 kids pending enrollment.

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Teen Rally is to be hosted by Kitsap County this year. Jefferson and Clallam are willing to help host. There is a need for committee members to begin the planning stages. A location still needs to be found- one that will hold 100-175 kids. The rally will be held October 28-30 and is for students in 7th grade and up. The hope is that this will help to build up the teen program.

#### **Council and Officer Board Reports**

4-H Camp funds have been turned over to WSU legal.

There is no news on the Horse Arena.

The County Fair is working to get donors to raise the premium points from \$.12 each to \$.15.

Project audits have not been scheduled yet.

#### **Committee and Project Reports**

##### Armed Forces Day Parade

Kelly Sciarrotta is looking for help in organizing and planning this event. There is a flatbed available for use but a truck and driver are needed. Decisions need to be made on whether to include animals. There is a \$25 fee for the parade entry and money would likely be needed for decorations. Kelly encouraged each club to send a representative to get involved in the planning of the parade.

##### The Great Give:

Sheila Jernigan has agreed to head up this year's Great Give for the 4-H program. The money received will go towards the Teen Travel Fund.

##### Market Animals:

Kevin Buyer mentioned that the information for the Market Animal project is on the Kitsap County 4-H website. They meet at the Eagle's Nest on the second Monday of each month. Contact him for more information.

##### 4-H and Beyond:

Sheila Jernigan and her teen group traveled to Washington D.C. last month. Andrew Brandt talked about the experience of being at the inauguration, attending the conference classes, and sightseeing.

The 4-H and Beyond club is hosting an Expressive Arts event where kids can come and create a string art project.

The event is February 10 from 5:00-6:30 at the FRA building. The cost is \$5.

Sheila also spoke about a new club starting at Silver Ridge Elementary. It's an afterschool program that will meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month from 2:00-4:00. She is looking for mentors.

##### Awards:

Heidi Brandt is looking for someone to take over. The committee should meet during the month of February. There was some discussion on ways to get more parents involved in some of these committees.

##### Camp Program:

The Panhandle campgrounds gave away the Sunday that camp would've begun. The other dates won't work and although they prefer a weekend drop-off, doing camp Monday-Friday may be the best option. Becky had called around to several other camps hoping to find something else to no avail. She's looking into possibly renting vans to help transport kids whose parents work during the week. The fundraiser she'd hope to do will be bumped to April. The training for the counselors has begun. The camp theme will be something to do with jungles.

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#### Fundraising:

Kay Hibler is heading up a fundraiser for the 4-H Council. Apple and Cherry pies from Plush Pippin are available for purchase for \$5 each. The orders are due Sunday, February 5 and will be available for pick up on February 9 from 5:00-7:00 in the Sears parking lot (the side facing the theatres).

#### Old Business

##### Clover Academy:

Clover Academy was January 21st at Faith Fellowship Church in Seabeck. There were 107 people who signed in, 5-6 classes for each of the 4 time slots. Great turnout! Clover Academy brought in \$525. The church did not charge for the use of the facility this year. Kelly Sciarrotta proposed a \$50 donation to Faith Fellowship. Brian Bradt offered a friendly amendment to change the amount to \$100. Kelly accepted. Lan Taylor seconded and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Due to Clover Academy bringing in more money than the budget needs, Kelly Sciarrotta proposed that “the additional money (about \$200) beyond the budgeted \$300 would go to a new fund to be used for County wide educational opportunities” (such as the youth officer training she offered in the fall). The proposal was then amended to state that “anything above \$300 would go towards County wide educational opportunities”. There was discussion on creating a separate line item or just putting the money back into the General Fund. The thought was that it wouldn’t be as accessible if it were in the General Fund and that people wouldn’t realize that there was money available to put on educational classes. Lis Wilder mentioned that there is a fund designated for 4-H Promotion and that it would be nice to purchase an awning, tables and chairs to be able to have a “kit” ready to roll for promotional opportunities. Lan Taylor pointed out that there are awnings, tables and chairs sitting in the 4-H office on the fairgrounds. Talk about budgetary changes- what if Clover Academy came to need more than the \$300 currently budgeted? The proposal was then changed to say “Clover Academy keeps the budgeted amount and anything above that goes toward County wide educational opportunities.” Debbie McKeever seconded the motion. The vote passed by a 14 yes to 8 no hand vote.

#### New Business

##### KYG

Elisabeth Wilder spoke about KYG. They recently completed a McTakeOver, a See’s Candy fundraiser, and a breakfast fundraiser at Applebee’s. KYG is February 18-21. A prosecutor and a judge from Kitsap County will be meeting with the group on February 13 to help prepare them further.

#### Announcements

Twin Lakes Youth Camp Spaghetti Fundraiser- March 10 at 5:30 at the President’s Hall

Please remember to log your 4-H hours!!!

Next Council Meeting: March 1, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.