

Jefferson County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes for June 6, 2016

****Attendance:** Ginger Long, Council Fundraising Committee Chair; Linda Gately, Cedartree Performers; Laura L. Kitchen, Council Treasurer; Elizabeth Crouch, Critter Co-op; Danell Swim Mackey & Aric Mackey, Discovery;

Gabi Ashford, PT STEM 4-H Club; Charlin Bodony, Applied Education Foundation; Laura Nathan & Glenda Meek, Silver Spurs; Anna Wilke, Discovery; Timothy Flanagan, PT STEM 4-H Club; Bethel Ann Moore, County Mountys; Chris Franson, County Mountys & Paws-N-Claws; Dr. Laura Lewis, Director of WSU; Tanya Barnett, WSU 4-H Coordinator; Ella Ashford, PT STEM 4-H Club; Meg Amos, Wild Clovers; Felecia Allen, Golden Clovers

****Meeting** was called to order at 6:37pm. US Flag Salute and 4-H Pledge.

****M/S/C** to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented: Operating funds of \$996.48 + Dedicated funds of \$32,050.60 = Balance of \$33,047.08. Note that ck #1137 was written 5/17/16 to Am. Income insurance for \$277.00.

OLD BUSINESS ****Reminder** to make your 8x8 fabric "what 4-H means to me" flag to become a bunting for the 4-H Bldg. during Co. Fair. Would be nice to have them all by our 6/27 Council meeting. ****The** new 4-H Bldg Fund shows a 0 balance, but could/should have \$200 seed money from WSU and \$50 for Laura's Garden.

****Introductions** around the room from everyone in attendance.

****Tanya** will be away thru Saturday. In New Jersey. Her parents are in poor health. We hope her trip is helpful to the situation.

****Discussion** about our Council Fruit Sales fundraiser: The Boy Scouts have given us their list of 400 past customers. Per communication with Todd, the grower, peaches will be \$23 a box, nectarines will be \$23 a box, pears and apples will be \$16 - \$18 a box. We need a place to receive and keep the fruit for 48 hours. The Scout House may be available. Beth Crouch is the Chair for this, and she will try to have it delivered the week before Fair rather than Fair weekend. Absolute deadline for soft fruit orders is Aug. 1st and for apples is Oct. 1st. M/S/C to raise the price \$1 per box so our profit will be \$5 per box.

****Council Fundraising Committee** (Ginger, L Hampton & Tanya attending) meeting report: * Discussed the Fruit Sales. *Would like 4-H to participate in the Sept. 18th Farm Tour with a "baskets" raffle, maybe one from each club, or maybe just one chicken themed prize. **M/S/C** to have the Fundraising Committee + our Council Treasurer oversee how money raised is distributed with final decision made by Council's vote. Tanya referred to the "Proposal for 2016-17" Clover paper.

****Proposed** 4-H Record Book changes are due to Tanya by July 14th.

****All** 4-H County Fair entry forms must be in the 4-H Office July 14th. This gives Tanya time to look over them before she delivers them to the Fair Office July 15th. Laurie Hampton will help with Fair entry form fill-out June 27th, starting at 4:30pm sharp before Council meets at 6:30pm at the Hadlock Library. She will also help with Fair entry form fill-out July 7th, starting at 5pm

sharp at the Horse Building at the Fairgrounds. Both “help” opportunities are open to all 4-Hers.

****Our** next 4-H Council meeting will be 6:30pm, June 27th, with no Horse Committee meeting before Council

****County** Fair Premium Books and entry forms were passed out.

****For** help with Open Class entries for County Fair, attend the annual Exhibitor 101 Class offered by the Jeff. Co. Fair Assoc. July 20th, 7pm, in the Erickson Bldg. at the Fairgrounds

****All** 4-Hers must put in at least 8 hours in pre-fair work. The work days for the 4-H Bldg are July 30 and Aug. 6. Each will be a 4 hour work day and all Jeff. Co. 4-Hers should work one or both days.

****Please** email your club photo to Tanya asap for the display in the 4-H Bldg during Fair that will show all of our 4-H clubs.

****Remember** page 41 in the Prem. Book – classes open to all 4-Hers

****Our** new Regional Specialist is Joy Lyle. She will spend 75% of her time in Kitsap County and the other 25% in Jefferson and Clallam counties. She will be on board in September. She will help with grant writing. Discussion of the history of this new Regional Specialist position. WSU is now paying all of Tanya’s salary; our county is paying nothing.

****Dr. Lewis**, our WSU county director, explained the proposed Jeff. Co. 4-H STEM Committee, and shared a handout illustrating it. Will be like our 4-H Horse Committee, and will do for our STEM clubs what the Horse Committee does for our 4-H horse clubs. Each club will participate in the committee and there will be an executive committee “at the top”. **M/S/C** to accept making this proposed Jeff. Co. 4-H STEM Committee happen. Gabi spoke in opposition, saying that we need an expert to come in and look at the direction the program is going. And that we need to look at equipment, storage, etc. Tanya pointed out that equipment purchased under “4-H” belongs to the 4-H county program. Discussion continued about whether this committee model will work for technology. Further discussion tabled.

****Our** Quilcene Afterschool 4-H will now be in partnership with the YMCA starting this summer. And this fall will look different from the past 4-H Q Afterschool.

****We** will not host a 4-H camp this summer.

****FREE** & accredited “Summer at Sea”, two sessions for ages 14 – 21. Is in partnership with 4-H. Apply to Capt. Nahja Chimenti. Call 379-9220. Learn more:

www.communityboats.wordpress.com Is 5 days for training and 5 days of sailing. And, the Community Boat Project wants to take 4-H Council out for a team building event this coming September.

****WA** State 4-H Teen Conference at WSU in Pullman is July 10 – 12.

****Around** the room with clubs reporting on activities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm

Minutes taken by Chris Franson (thank you, Chris)

Typed by L Hampton

