Jefferson County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes for Dec. 3, 2018

**\*\*Attendance** from sign-in sheet: Frances Rice, Windward; Virginia Nielsen, Rabbits & Drama; Laurie Hampton, Paws-N-Claws; T Nielsen, Reptiles, Rabbits & Drama; Tristen Nielsen, Reptiles; Danell Mackey, Discovery; Laura Kitchen, Treasurer; Heather Taracka, Reptiles; Laura Nathan, Silver Spurs; Chris Franson, County Mountys & P-N-C; Bethel Moore, County Mountys; Alicia Simmons, Brinnon 4-H After School Program; Melane Greer, Clallam 4-H; Joy Lile, WSU; Tanya Barnett, Jeff. Co. 4-H Coordinator

**\*\*President** Danell Mackey called the meeting to order at 6:40pm. US Flag Salute & 4-H Pledge

**\*\*Around**-the-room introductions, our 4-H affiliation & 1 sentence of our holiday plans

**\*\*M/S/C** to approve the Nov. 5th minutes as presented

**\*\*Treasurer’s Report:** Now matches our Council check book exactly. From large spreadsheet – Total Fund Balance: Revenue $30,015.41 + Expenditures ($1,107.38) = Cash Balance $28,908.03 “Report will be put on file for audit.” \*Any 4-H clubs or groups whose funds are in our Council Treasury must use the “Request & Reimbursement” form on our website under “For Volunteers & 4-H Leader Resources” \*Laura and Su Tipton spent over 6 hours working thru all of this. Our slate is clean for this year.

**\*\*We** have received another $440.20 from our Ferino’s take-over in Oct. Everyone signed a thank you note for them.

**\*\*Reminder:** Annual Financial Review documents must come from clubs/groups whose money is in our Council Treasury as well as those clubs with their own EIN numbers and accounts

**\*\*KYG’s** updated poster is now available. KYG is open to all teens, already in 4-H or not, 9th grade and up. So far there are 8 delegates + coordinator & chaperon Aric Mackey. Their fundraiser PT McDonald’s take-over will be Dec. 12th. $5 coupon books will be available soon. Costs about $300 per participant.

**\*\*Horse** Committee Report: As of tonight they have a new Secretary and Treasurer. Thank you to Laura Nathan for her many years of doing this for the Committee. Glenda Meek will stay on as Committee President until January. Are currently planning Horse Camp. July 10 – 14.

**\*\*Spring** Public Presentations are an opportunity to practice for County Fair. Giving a Public Presentation at both County Fair and on a Spring date will earn a 4-Her more Fair Premium Points. Tentative Spring dates are #1. Tanya will coordinate at date with Linda Gately for presentations to be done at Cedarbrook school. #2. Monday, March 18th, 3:30 – 7pm, location to be announced. Possibly in PT. #3. Thursday, March 21st, 3-7pm, in the WSU Classroom. Time slots will be 15 – 20 minutes each. 4-Hers must schedule a presentation time with either Linda or Tanya before the presentation day.

**\*\*Our Super** Saturday is January 26th. Save the date. Please take the survey tonight or online so classes will be offered that you would like to take. Will be at the Chimacum Grange. M/S/C to pay the $40 to use this facility.

**\*\*4-H** Club Contact Info List passed around. Please be sure that your club’s info on it is correct and that you always notify Tanya if you have any future changes or corrections.

**\*\*Please** sign up for your club to give a presentation at a future Council meeting to share who you are and what you do and what your club loves about 4-H.

**\*\*4-H Clubs** and Projects are also encouraged to visit our Brinnon (2nd – 5th graders, Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays. One hour slots between 3:20 & 5:20pm) and Quilcene 4-H Afterschool Programs to share what you do. 4-H Animal Science presentations are especially welcome. Or present to the public as our Olympic Reptile Club recently did at the County Library in Hadlock. Openings are available there now for Jan., Feb., & March

**\*\*Lead** 4-H leader Alicia Simmons from our new Brinnon Afterschool Program gave a wonderful power point presentation. There are 80 students in the Brinnon School and 38 of them are enrolled in 4-H! The Brinnon community has truly embraced 4-H being there, thanks to Alicia’s hard work. Thank you.

**\*\*Note:** About 1/5 of the money that Council raises goes to our Brinnon and Quilcene 4-H Afterschool Programs, which then each partner with other groups and organizations for funds.

**\*\*After** a power point presentation and discussion M/S/C to donate $100 out of our Council’s Heart Fund to WA State’s 4-H Burundi sister school Program. About the size of Maryland, Burundi is the 3rd poorest country in the world. Is located in the heart of Africa. The 9 schools that “sister” with WA State 4-H are helping to battle hunger thru their 4-H Gardening program. WA 4-H also provides funds for soccer balls for the Burundi 4-Hers.

**\*\*M/S/C** that the $2090 of undesignated Fruit Funds be distributed as follows: $1500 to our Head Fund for Graduating HS Senior Scholarships AND $295 to our Health Fund (for merit based grants) AND $295 to our Heart Fund (for our Afterschool Programs)

**\*\*Alicia** has volunteered to do the Kids’ Activities at the upcoming 2019 Brinnon Shrimp Festival in May over the Memorial Day weekend. She is hoping that by doing so, the Shrimp Festival will send some funds the way of our Brinnon 4-H Afterschool Program to help with their funding.

**\*\*Frances** Rice from Windward School, which if one of our Jeff. Co. 4-H partners, went over the Holiday Crafts classes that they are offering four times in December. Ages 5 – 12. Maximum of 15 per class, so sign up soon. See handout for more details and to share with others.

**\*\*Handout:** What our 4-H Record Book info looks like on our website. All of the forms that 4-Hers need are located there and can be printed out from there, including the scoresheets for both Level 1 and Level 2 record books AND project add sheets. It is suggested that 4-Hers work on their record books at every project or club meeting. And it is expected that the 4-H Record Books from 4-Hers who earn a year-end pin reflect how, when and where those 4-Hers fulfilled their year-end pin requirements.

**\*\*Our Regional** Specialist Joy Lile explained that 4-H now has a running background check system online called “Verified Volunteers”. Those enrolled adults whose last names begin with A – K will receive an email soon to do this. Those whose last names begin with L - Z will be done next year.

**\*\*Handout:** Building Successful Learning Communities. Jan. 25th. 9:30am to 12:30pm. WSU Classroom. Educator: Scott Vanderwey, Director of 4-H Adventure Education, WSU Extension. Free for 4-H Leaders. $10 for all others. RSVP ASAP tanya.barnett@wsu.edu

**\*\*Dates** for our 2019 Explore 4-H mini camps are June 24 – 28 at the WSU Classroom. 10am to 1pm. It is hoped that 4-H clubs will help again.

**\*\*Please** read Tanya’s Coordinator’s Report. Was available 12/3/18 and will be available again at our Jan. 7th Council meeting. Please note that she is now a certified Challenge facilitator. And please also note the list of Community Organizations that we/Jeff. Co. 4-H is partnered with. See the “Guiding Good Choices” handout to participate and share with others.

**\*\*Given** the current work being done to certify new Challenge Course facilitators, 4-H and other groups now need to go and use the course, 5th grade and above.

**\*\*Please** check the next “4-H Here and Now” (Jeff. Co. 4-H newsletter) that is emailed to you. Please have all Jeff. Co. 4-H youth do the Youth Survey evaluation of our 2017-18 4-H year. Parents may help, but the answers need to come from our 4-Hers. So far only 10 4-Hers in Jefferson, Kitsap and Clallam counties have taken this survey.

**CLUB SHARE** **\*\*Danell** with Discovery 4-H has been asked to be a robot judge in Auburn. And her 4-Hers are now meeting many more hours every day so as to be ready for their qualifier on Dec. 8th**. \*\*Hoppers** 4-H Club has 6 4-Hers in each of their projects – rabbits and drama. They raised enough thru their recent fundraiser raffle to purchase club shirts and some club supplies. Meet 4:30 – 6pm every other Tuesday and are welcoming new members. **\*\*Olympic** Reptile 4-H presented Nov. 19th at the county library and Nov. 27th at the PT Historical Society plus was interviewed by PT TV for cable. Will do a pot luck on the 17th at Heather’s house. **\*\*County** Mountys had two crafting meetings to be ready for selling Dec. 8 & 9 at the Chimacum Arts and Crafts sale. Are raffling off a cord of wood. Have invited Paws-N-Claws to join them for a club holiday party on Dec. 17th. Chris may have access to extra tickets to see the movie “Beautiful Boy” (about addiction) at the Rose. RSVP to her or Tanya if you are interested. Layla Franson recently shared her pet turkey with the Peninsula Poultry 4-H Club. **\*\*Paws-**N-Claws’ Dec. 1st shopping for Christmas for Children filled 10 tree tags and purchased extra games, plus dry cat and dog food for the PT and Tri-Area food banks.

**\*\*Reflection** – Tanya’s quote and thank you gift of a very sweet (One, L ved 4-H Volunteer) sticker.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm Submitted by L Hampton

**Coordinator’s Report**

**Jefferson County 4-H Coordinator Report to Council 12/3/18
From Tanya Barnett**

1. Clubs
* Enrollment help with various clubs (e.g., Community Boat Project)
* Forming club: water-based adventures with Arran Stark
1. Afterschool Programs
* Quilcene K-6: preparing for holiday open house performance on 12/16
* Quilcene Teens: “4-H Adventure Club” growing with Justin – they saved a Great Blue Heron Last week; these teens will be able to take part in CedarRoot campouts, hopefully free of cost
* Brinnon: please see newsletter… look for article in the *PT Leader* soon
* Working with library to lead monthly sessions; leading monthly sessions myself
* Organizing weekly meetings, food, substitutes, materials, etc. for both
1. 4-H Challenge:
* Sunday, Nov. 18: ~16 OMBT teens and leaders used course
* 2 Facilitators fully certified! (Dana Nixon and me); 9 others trained, now need “observation” (some still need CPR/First Aid training… but fewer thanks to Chris Franson and
* Working on (1) procedures, (2) promotional materials, and (3) inventory of GLCC
1. Other WSU Business
* KYG outreach (including school visit), networking (with principals and teachers), and coordinating with Aric Mackey
* New front desk person: Kat North, Mon.-Thurs, 5 hours/day
1. Funding
* Final report to Jefferson Community Foundation re: “Partnering for Resiliency” grant with teens in South County (see attached)
* Ferino’s Takeover for enrollment scholarships: $440.20 total… yeah Council!
1. Community Organizations
	* Empowered Teens Coalition meeting
	* Jefferson County Families with Kids Coalition – beginning to talk about an afterschool program in Chimacum
	* Guiding Good Choices class (see flyer)