

**Kittitas County 4-H Council Meeting –  
September 28, 2021, Armory Hall, KVEC  
Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER** at: 7:05

**PLEDGE**

**ROLL CALL BY CLUB**

**READING OF JULY MINUTES** Mark move Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup> -motion passed

**CORRESPONDENCE** – Thank you note noted from Bailey Sherley (Noted by Marie)

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Report available to review – Concessions are compared vs. 2019 numbers. We are up by about \$4000 this year. Discussion on the total cash listed of \$101192.13.

**COMMITTEE/PROJECT REPORTS**

➤ Teen: Did awards at fair – next year Rachel will work with Brittany and Animal Leaders to try and have awards in better order/prep before the event day. Going to advertise for Leadership on same nights as council meetings. KYG will be virtual in 2022 and they are changing the curriculum and may not have this until Jan.

➤ 4-H Week: Not doing recruitment night, still doing awards recognition on Sunday 10/10 – Doing an open house style – having churros and drinks – asking for funds for this event. Still doing silent dessert option from 3-4:30. Each award winner gets 36x24 inch posters (\$18/each at copy shop). Asking for \$200 for posters, \$750 for churros and \$100 for drinks – total is \$1050 for the ask. Her budget is \$240 currently – her ask is \$810 more. Wondered if she could take from recruiting (\$400) – if she does, she only needs \$410 more. Dick moved to increase budget \$500, Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed. Packets passed out for paint the town green – windows have to done by 10/2.

➤ Concession Booth: Jon found a company in Tri-Cities that may be able to build what we need for concession booth and the L&I updates needed. Trailer is currently out of L&I compliance is the kitchen cooktop needing a suppression hood. Jon is looking for what would be compliant for our food trailer. Jon wants to find out what all is needed before looking into estimates for work. By the end of October Jon hopes to have numbers to review at the next meeting. Line item for 4-H booth \$11,689.32 in the budget.

Fair went well – we got bought out on Sat night.

Other thoughts: have open air/almost camping set up for griddle, etc. Discussion about do we even do concessions; sell trailer; do alternate fundraising?

➤ Dog: No Report

➤ Family & Consumer Science: Nothing to report

➤ Horse: Had very successful Jr. Horse Fair! Great turnout.. some allergic reactions with a bunch of horses. Some accommodations made, but Fair Board Director was not supporting or helping them (15-18 horses were impacted by this issue). Bob Eddings was going to test some of the sand to see if that was the issue – never heard back. Had fall show last weekend – had 18-20 kids for the fall show – had a great time! Sent some kids to State – no results yet. Intermediate and Senior judging team placed well. The two Seniors will be at FFA Nationals weekend before and chose not to go to 4-H Nationals. Adele Karen, Emily Ryder, Jalina Blackmore & Shelby Hanson.

➤ Livestock: Meeting last week – everyone seemed pleased with fair, some discussion items for next year’s planning. Pleased with Sale – Judging – Three teams Jr & Senior team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> Intermediates placed First. Mackenzie B and Chloe Clyburn placed well. Mackenzie turned down National team, Chloe was not offered this option.

➤ Record Book: Waiting for them to come in. They are due on the 30<sup>th</sup> by 5pm.

➤ Robotics: Planning on having their competition this year.

➤ Shooting Sports: no update

- Small Animal: Here in the near future they will be changing on entering the program (premium book). Showworks and enrollment caused many issues this year and had to be sorted out. The Turkey auction brought in over \$1000 with add-ons.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- County and State Fairs - Feedback and Critique: Can we find a way (loophole) to close barns around 8:30 or so instead of 10. This is a Fair board item to ask. Use dead space to enter all species data to show how all animals ended up the year. (The information that goes on cost sheets) – public displays for education purposes. Clearing up the walk-through areas for use by superintendents.
- 2022 Officer Nominations: First Call – Nominations do need to be made in October, cannot be nominated on the night of the November meeting.
- Recruitment Planning-Spring 2022: Not too much to discuss, maybe recruiting in Jan or Feb. – tabled till later.
- Volunteer Vaccine Mandate: Exemption process was sent out today. Year starts Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, so the exemption has to be approved by WSU before you can enroll. All 4-H enrolled leaders or certified volunteers have to either have proof of vaccine or submit exemption status (parents don't qualify). Leader (certified volunteer) – in a teaching/instruction role, Parents – hand out ribbons. Discussion about the negative impacts this item/process that will bring the 4-H community.
- Scholarships: We have 4 Scholarships at \$1000/each. Dick suggests to increase the scholarship amount up to \$12,000 per year. Have Rachel and others to come back with a re-vamped scholarship and expenditure proposal – add a matrix and specific criteria/objectives outlined. (Maybe have a tiered approach) – Dick motion to allocate up to \$12000 for scholarship committee to come back in November with a proposal of scholarships matrix/criteria for awarding scholarships. Mark 2<sup>nd</sup> – motion passed.
- Enrollment Fee's: Excess of Cash of \$101192.13 – asking to cover enrollment for next year – Mark motion, Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed. Items to sort through at the office level for enrollment - will give us some updates later.
- Endowment: There is a lot of money in the Endowment fund – monies are added every year, but not used up ... Instead of raising an endowment animal, maybe they can raise a livestock improvement animal/project. (Barns need help/work).  
The purchase of endowment animal this year was done by the old sale committee, the money is not really going to be able to benefit the kids. Is doing the endowment animal still a need. – Yes, it is a great token of the 4-H world. This is not the right committee for this discussion – dropped.

Can we add a budget item – can we put some money in an account for livestock improvement items (repairs, scale etc) .... Erin motioned to add a line item in the budget of \$14,000 for livestock improvements. Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup>. No further discussion. Motion carried by the majority.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **EVENTS**

- October 3-9-National 4-H Week
- October 10-4-H End of Year Celebration & Carcass Awards, 3-5 p.m., Armory Hall
- October 15-Deadline to submit Field Trip Reimbursement Forms
- October 19—Livestock Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A
- October 26-4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Armory Room A

**ADJOURN** Marie moved to adjourn at 8:40; Bobbie 2<sup>nd</sup>.