

Cowlitz County 4-H Horse Program Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

Cowlitz County Training Center

Mandatory Meeting Attendees: (Roundabout Riders) Janet Linden, (Rails n' Tails) Donna Longacre, (Falling Stars) Rose Renfroe, (Red Hot Riders) Kayden DeMoss, (Journey) Veronica Bjorhus, (Barn Bums) Rhonda Jorgenson, (Boots, Barrels and Buckles) Paula Anderson for Lisa Handel, (Rustic Rebels) Kim Barnwell, (Western Wranglers) Diana Berg

Program Committee Attendees: Janet Linden, Rhonda Jorgenson, Veronica Bjorhus, Paula Anderson, Pam Toney, Kayden DeMoss, Lexie Barnwell, Kim Barnwell, Donna Longacre, Diana Berg, Morgan Harris, Jessica Harris, Rose Renfroe, Shirley Noble

The meeting was called to order at 6:47PM by Shirley Noble
Pledge of Allegiance lead by Kim Barnwell - 4-H Pledge lead by Lexie Barnwell - recited by all.

Minutes: The minutes from April 23, 2019 were reviewed. Motion made by Diana Berg, second by Jessica Harris – Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Susan Junnikkala, was not available to give report. Table for next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Horse Around Report: Jessica Harris reported that 4 riders attended on Saturday and 9 on Sunday. Everyone received a lot of good feed back from the Ride and Review format. Thank you to Veronica Bjorhaus for stepping in at the last minute, writing up a pattern and judging Showmanship on Saturday. Kari Chatwin did an excellent job with the Western Games and the clinicians from the rodeo that she brought in to help. The kids did not ride for times, but the clinicians watched and gave feed back on their rides. As a result, the rides improved as the day went on. Comments were made that we would like to have these people back again. Due to time, they did not have the cupcake walk, but everyone got a cupcake. Comment was made that there needed to be more classes on Saturday, but it was pointed out that the schedule had been voted on and approved by the Horse Program Committee.

Showmanship/Trail Clinic: Held May 8, 2019 by Diana Berg. There was one participant who got a lot of information one on one and really appreciated and enjoy it.

Silent Auction Report: Held May 11, 2019 at the Cowlitz County Fairgrounds during the Easy Ride Game Show. Janet Linden reported we had several items donated to the auction and items for sale. Rose Renfroe donated cupcakes and cookies for the bake sale. We made \$330.00 from the auction, \$36.00 from the sale items, \$20.75 from the bake sale and \$15.00 from donations. Total \$401.75.

Stall Ribbons: Order forms were sent out by email to all main leaders. Order forms and money are due by June 15 in the extension office or you may bring them to the Scrabble Scramble. Ribbons are Lime Green and Purple with black writing. Price is on the form for with or without printed names.

Scrabble Scramble: June 15, 2019 at the Cowlitz County Fairgrounds. 4-H members, leaders and parents are permitted to ride. Wahkiakum County 4-H is invited to ride. All parents must sign a Hold Harmless Agreement before riding. Everyone must wear a helmet and appropriate attire. Park by the arena and registration will be inside the arena. Ride will be approximately 1-1 ½ hour long. Starts at 10:00 AM and last rider sent out at 2:00 PM. There will be 7 Trail stations set up throughout the animal side of fairgrounds, including the rodeo arena, where you receive a scrabble letter. Extra letters will be available if you answer a trivia question. You do not have to stay until the end of the day to know if you won a prize. All winners will be notified. Flyer was passed out.

Skills Checklist update: Janet Linden asked if everyone had contacted their technicians and getting their checklist done. Only comment made was that we needed more technicians so the process could start earlier in the year. Janet said she would revisit the issue after fair.

Herdsmanship at Fair: Samantha Gilchrist was to present a recommendation for herdsmanship at fair but was not present at the meeting. Item has been tabled for discussion at the June meeting for action item at the July meeting. Recommendation was made that something be sent out to the leaders to review before the June meeting, so they have the opportunity to really look at the proposed changes in a timely manner.

Budget approval of \$400 for Dressage Equipment: There was discussion at the March meeting to budget \$400 for additional upgrading of our Dressage Equipment but a formal motion and vote was not made. A motion has now been made by Diana Berg, second by Donna Longacre to approve the \$400 for Dressage Equipment needed. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

4-H Fair Show Schedule: Discussion for action item at June meeting. After much discussion it was agreed that we keep all the Dressage tests on Wednesday and not put the arena up twice. The Western Dressage Seat Equitation would be best after Western Dressage Tests and they would be okay riding inside the Dressage arena.

Donna Longacre asked if we could have an area to cool out horses when they leave the show arena. Janet advised she would discuss with Jennifer.

Hall of Fame/Ring of Honor: Diana Berg has taken leadership again this year. Entry forms will be sent out to all leaders and will be due by July 15th.

Fairboard Report: Pam Toney announced that the opening fair parade is not going to happen this year. The city has made some requests that fairboard members and businesses impacted would not be able to meet or be in favor of. The June 22nd Clean up day is coming soon, and a BBQ lunch will be supplied to all volunteers.

Elected Officers Questioned: Janet Linden informed the group that at the April meeting, Barb Berg resigned as the Horse Project Director and was moving to Arizona. Barb had informed the group that Shirley Noble had volunteered to move into the Project Director position from Secretary and that we needed a new Secretary. Barb called for volunteers. After a long pause, Pam Toney volunteered to be Secretary. There was no objection from the group on the changes made. Now the positions have been challenged and there should have been nominations and vote because they are elected positions. Barb resigned from Director so that position is open for nomination. Shirley is the elected Secretary so that position is filled. Shirley would need to resign before opening it to nomination. Shirley said she would resign and not wanting to be stuck as Secretary. Nomination forms would have to be sent out and returned in time for a vote at the June meeting. There are only 3 months left of the year so the other option would be to have the 4-H Horse Program Committee agree to have Shirley and Pam stay in the positions they volunteered for until new elections are made in October for the new year.

Motion made by Kayden DeMoss and second by Rose Renfroe to have Shirley Noble remain as Project Director and Pam Toney as Secretary until election next year. 11 yay – 2 nay – motion passed.

Cowlitz County Fair Packets Due July 1: Janet Linden discussed and passed out *information sheets*;

- *2019 Horse Project Updates related to Fairs* – list of events and entry due dates
- *4-H Record Books and Still Life Entry Details* – requirements and entry due dates
- *Animal Education Exhibits/Posters* – general rules and entry due dates

Diana Berg discussed and passed out the Fair Packets which included;

- Green 4-H Fair Show entry sheet with note to fill in the back of the sheet as well.
- 4-H Horse Barn Entry to reserve your stall at fair.
- Barn Rules.
- Outside Activity Release Form that must be returned by July 15 if member is going to participate in any activities outside of the 4-H event, such as rodeo flags or the open game show. The horse's name has been added to the form, so the barn manager knows which horse is leaving the barn.

Clean up day: The 4-H clean up will be on July 16th at 6:30. There will also be a short MANDATORY MEETING, before clean up begins, to go over last-minute details. Club representation is required at this meeting. Stall assignments will be given out at that time.

Meeting adjourned 8:54 PM – Motion by Morgan Harris, second by Pam Toney – motion passed