Imperial County 4-H Leader’s Council

January 3, 2019

**Minutes:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm at the Imperial County Farm Bureau in El Centro and was led by President, Anita Martinez.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge led by a youth member present.

The minutes for the November 2018 meeting were presented to the Leader Council members and silently read for approval. Angie Ortiz (Calipatria 4-H) moved to approve the minutes as written, Tina Cruz (Westmorland 4-H) seconded the motion.

Treasurer’s report was presented, no changes were needed.

**Old Business:**

Judges Award Committee was announced: Terry Cartee, Jennifer Holdridge & Yolanda Fiorenza

Southern Youth Summit: 22 members plus All Stars will be attending. Courtney Holbrook will organize transportation. Meeting will take place after Leader Council on 1/3/19.

BBQ Checks: Bill for the meat was late, once the invoice is approved, checks will be processed.

Small Animal Clinic: Kelly Jackson (Mt. Signal 4-H) mentioned that next year we need to secure more breeders if possible.

4-H Christmas Market/Silent Auction: $1465.00 was raised at the event.

Washington/Cal Focus Interviews and Delegations: Members of the community were asked to serve on the interview panel. LWF had 5 kids interview, and all 5 will be attending. Fundraising is in process.

Tractor Supply Fall Clover: Raised $1510.60

4-H Giving Tuesday: As of 1/3/19, we did not have an amount, Shanna will forward once she hears from State.

Mindfullness Retreat: 3 members that attended the Retreat gave a report and thanked the Leader Council for the opportunity.

**New Business:**

Vesper Event: Will be held 3/22/18 at approx. 4:30 pm– Vesper Board to visit Imperial County. Imperial County 4-H reaches 11,000 kids. Need clubs to have booths / project boards. Magnolia 4-H will host the Primary Picnic.

Knowledge Bowl Committee: Hannah Cartee will help Shanna secure belt buckles.

4-H Fair entry deadline: 1/25/19 is the soft deadline for YQCA and all fair entries. Show Works should be up and going by the end of the week.

YQCA: Some of the age modules are not working properly. Jennifer Holdridge will let the Fair Board know. Fair rules need to be explained at the club level, as there will not be a No Go, No Show anymore.

Large Animal Pre-Fair: 2/2/19 at the Fairgrounds. Let committee know number of steers and swine attending from your club at least 1 week before.

Small Animal Pre-Fair: Working on the event and securing judges.

White Exchange: Will be held at club level only this year.

Judging Day: Will be held same day as fair clean up in the Sperber Arena, weather permitting. Would like to have 30 project boards this year. Jennifer Holdridge will send out a list of county award winners to clubs. Skill-a –thon will be hosted by the NAALE attendees and held the same day.

State Ambassador Application: 1/7/19 application deadline. 3-4 Imperial County members interested.

National Youth in Action: Rose Fiorenza was a National Finalist.

**Project Updates / Idea Sharing:**

1st / 2nd year leader mandatory meeting to be held during fair cleanup.

Carrot Festival is open for clubs to participate in the parade or any of the events – may be used as a fundraiser.

Shannon Magana (Holtville 4-H) motioned to adjourn the meeting, Stacy Britschgi (Verde 4-H) seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 6.52 pm