

Kings County 4-H Council Minutes

January 3, 2017

Council Board Members Present

Lilly Pimentel
Michelle White
Carl French
Loretta Toledo

Council Board Members Absent

Stacey Daniel
Alicyn Cawley
Kelley Medeiros

Clubs Not Represented: Delta View & Oakvale

The meeting was called to order by President, Lilly Pimentel. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gianna Warmerdam and the 4-H Pledge was led by Bella Popp both from Kings River.

President, Lilly asked that everyone give self-introductions and share their New Year's resolutions.

The minutes from the November 1st meeting were reviewed and a motion to approve the minutes was made by Jaime Eller and seconded by Carl French. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed in Kelley Medeiros absence. Georgene pointed out that JG Boswell, for the second consecutive year donated \$8,000 to the Kings County 4-H Program. Donna Eller made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and seconded by Renee Creech.

There was no correspondence.

Kings River is the host club for the month of January. Gianna Warmerdam and Bella Popp gave a presentation on Quilting.

Reports

Management Board: Lilly announced the upcoming CA 4-H State Management Board meeting dates: Saturday, Feb. 18th: Sunday, April 30th: Saturday, June 10th: Saturday, August 19th. Meetings will be held in Davis, and there will also be the opportunity for call in participation.

All Star Candidate Report: No All Stars were present to report

Emerald Star Report: Lily Gutierrez and Jillian Willhite are working on a Photography Workshop to be held at Presentation Day.

WA/CA Focus: Delegates will host a snack booth at Presentation Day/Food Olympics and provide lunch for the judges.

Incentives & Recognition Committee: Committee Co-chairman, Michelle White reported a Record Book Workshop will be hosted by the I & R Committee on Saturday, February 4th. The Countywide Leadership Project group will assist with the workshop.

The committee reviewed the Emerald Star application and will present revisions to the council at the February meeting. The committee is considering offering a Ruby Star project and will explore the possibilities and report back to Council.

Old Business:

Council BBQ: Meals served were way down this year, 750 meals were served this year compared to 960 meals last year. Lilly led a discussion on potential changes to the BBQ. It was suggested that perhaps changing the BBQ to a weekday instead of a weekend. Melanie Curtis mentioned that \$10 is high for a meal served at lunch time. She also suggested that perhaps the BBQ could be a drive thru with pick up in the County Center- UCCE Office. She felt the county employees would participate. Jaime Eller suggested selling barbecued tri-tip with $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen Hoagie rolls. He also suggested selling tickets at the Farmer's Market, if that is permissible. CCL's are to take the discussion points back to their clubs to see how 4-H families feel about the suggested changes and what ideas they may have to improve participation in the BBQ. Comments are to be brought back to the February Council meeting. (Mark Avila announced his retirement as lead BBQ'er for the Council BBQ.)

Judging Day: Participation was down from last year. There were a total of 63 participants. 33 of the participants used the pre-registration survey. If the BBQ is moved to a week night, it was suggested holding the Judging Day in the afternoon, possibly starting at 2 pm to avoid conflicts with morning sporting events. The Identification Class was a good change and worked well. The newly purchased clip boards were helpful for the participants to use. Donna Eller suggested offering some other type of activities for primary members as the youngest of them have difficulty with the judging contest, even with help.

LCORT: January 27-29th at Wonder Valley outside of Sanger. Kings County has attending; 2 All Stars, 1 All Star Advisor, 14 youth delegates, 1 female chaperone and 1 male chaperone that Tuolumne County is sharing with Kings County, for a total of 16 youth and 2-1/2 adult chaperones.

Council Audit: Renee Creech, audit committee member, reported that all records are in order and everything looks good. No infractions to report.

Food Olympics: February 25th at Hanford High West High School. Sub-chairs are: Favorite Foods- Tiffany Valov: Place Setting: someone is needed to fill this hole: Cup Cake Decorating- Donna Murphy-Eller: Food Photography- Michelle White. Entry deadline is February 10th.

County Presentation Day: February 25th at Hanford West High School held in conjunction with the Food Olympics. Leaders are asked to encourage members to participate. Entry deadline is February 10th. The point spread has changed from last year, requiring more points to earn the top awards.

New Business:

Color Me Green 5K Run: Cobi Revious has volunteered to chair this event. A planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 5th at 6 pm at the UCCE Office. Members, leaders & parents are welcome to attend.

4-H Fair: The 4-H Fair Planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 12th. Indoor exhibits will meet at 6 pm in the UCCE Library and the Livestock will meet at 7 PM in the Multi purpose room.

Report from 4-H Staff:

4-H Program Representative: Georgene asked for suggestions on how to thank JG Boswell for their generous donation. It was suggested to take a group picture at Presentation Day to present to Boswells.

A discussion followed on how to utilize the monetary gift from Boswell's. The vacuum cleaner and microwave oven that had been previously suggested were purchased with county funds. Melanie Curtis suggested offering mini grants (similar to the Revolution of Responsibility grants) for 4-H clubs and members and leaders to apply for. Jaime Eller suggested using some of the funding for project leader training and motivational speakers at the bigger events. Melanie Curtis made a motion to establish mini grants. Loretta seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Announcements: Loretta Toledo announced the Sopas Drive through Dinner on January 20, from 3 to 6 pm at the Hanford Fraternal Hall. Tickets are \$40/pan and are available at the Fair Office. Proceeds help support the Kings Fair.

Jr. Fair Board is sponsoring a Super Bowl Dinner on February 5th from 10:30 am to 1 pm. Tickets are \$15/person.

The next Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 7th at 7:00 PM in the UCCE multi-purpose room.

Respectfully submitted,

Notes taken by Michelle White

Notes typed up by Georgene Diener in the absence of Secretary Alicyn Cawley