

Imperial County 4H Leaders Council

Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2012

Meeting was called to order by S. Robertson at 6:09 PM at the Farm Bureau in El Centro.

Flag salute and Pledge were led by the 4H All-Star Samantha Holliman.

Roll call was conducted by sign-in. Ten clubs present. A quorum was established.

Minutes for the 9/6/12 meeting were approved by Michelle and seconded by T. Cruz. All were in favor.

Correspondence was received from CJ Lopez and read aloud regarding his participation at the State Leadership Conference.

Treasurer's report was provided by S. Magana.

Money market \$14,125.51 Checking \$17,366.91 Total \$31,492.42

Speaker: Dr. Bali extended an invitation to the upcoming ANR event. 4H will lead the pledge of allegiance at the event. Due to an issue arising from a missing record book, a discussion was held to put in place a system of a sign off sheet for recording in and outs of exchanges between the county and clubs. This would apply to awards being distributed at events. The council was in agreement to implement.

All-Star Reporting: MaryAnn Smith and S. Holliman reported on the officer training event. 54 officers were present and 10 clubs represented. Event went well and outside recreation was fun. The team did a building blocks activity. B. Hamby will be working on the bike ride event and the team will be holding a dessert sale at the BBQ. A flyer was handed out. Primary members were encouraged to participate. All-stars are available to go to club meetings to conduct officer installations. At this time, All Stars will not be able to assist with rodeo events and asked the council to consider moving the Nov 17 events to another date as again the all-stars may not be available due to the Honey Festival. The All-stars are planning to do another event including helping the Food Bank. A golf tourney was discussed. Mrs. Monte thanked the All-stars for assistance her club with officer installations. MaryAnn requested reimbursement of the blocks bought for the team building exercises.

Old Business

National Youth Science Day – Oct 10 over 225 8th graders will participate at Frank Wright.

National 4H Poster competition – 5 members participated and will be judged by Rabobank.

4H Budget 2012-2013 – S. Robertson led the discussion into the approval of the current year budget.

The budget has not been approved due to no quorum. Council members were given the proposed budget and inquired about if there was any additional income to report. MaryAnn inquired about SLC fundraising. Ortiz asked about Christmas Tea funds. Suggested was made to up Miscellaneous to \$3300. The budget committee proposed increases/decreases as noted due to past history. BBQ income and expenses were adjusted to show full income and expenses. MaryAnn inquired about increasing council supplies. S. Robertson shared some expenses could be taken from other areas. It was suggested to use miscellaneous for postage. Other recommendations were made. Mrs. Monte moved to approve and T. Sullivan seconded. A vote was taken and all were in favor.

All Star Bill from Officer Training – S. Robertson shared with the council an update regarding the request for reimbursement and how it was not paid due to no budget approval. The reimbursement request is \$86.99. Pacheco motioned to approve and Jamie seconded. Ortiz inquired if there would be a change in the process of reimbursements and Robertson stated that the council will handle as in the past.

National 4H Week – Kick off is Saturday at 9:30 with the bike ride.

Special Guest: Betty Miller provided the council with resources for the Desert Review and encouraged all clubs to submit member articles to this online newspaper. A dedicated 4H sections is always available. Clubs may contact Amanda at aleckband@thedesertreview.com

S. Robertson reminded the clubs about the 4H dress code and provided a flyer to share with members.

New Business

4H Poster Contest– information on the website.

SLC fundraising at the BBQ-see flyers.

4H BBQ- Meat trimming at the county meat store on Saturday. MaryAnn shared her concern that her club has been handling the salad at the BBQ and will not be doing so this year. She was not aware that a change was made. It was shared that the discussion was held and it was a way to try to get the primary members in one area. Cleanup assistance will be needed. Sherry reported that she was able to get a discount at Smart and Final for supplies. The club sign up sheets were passed around.

Citizenship Committee- Need 3 volunteers. Pacheco, MaryAnn and Jackie volunteered. Michelle will help if needed another volunteer.

Cattle Call Parade Scooper-Need a club to take on. No volunteers were received.

Cattle Call Program Sales-Shannon still seeking volunteers. 3 chances to participate.

Small Animal Clinic- Nov 17 at fairgrounds starting at 9 AM. KW cages will be there.

State Record Books- due in October.

Asilomar-Millie shared it is a nice event to attend. Will be held Nov 9-11, 2012.

Auctions-the upcoming sheep and swine auction information was shared.

Christmas Tea- Dec 8 at the fairgrounds from 10-2. Donations are being accepted.

Record Books-Terri Sullivan lead the discussion on the recommendations made by the Record Book committee. MaryAnn moved to approve the recommendations and Pacheco seconded. A vote was taken and all in favor.

4H Representative's Report - M. Smith was not present.

Livestock leaders report – Chico Magana provided the council with an update to the fair board membership. Chico shared his perspective on the upcoming changes with the addition of the grange program. He stated that the work we do is for the kids and we have to move forth together.

An update to the calendar events was discussed.

Meeting was motioned for adjournment by T. Sullivan and seconded by Millie. Meeting ended at 8:12 PM.

Submitted by: Angelita Ortiz