

Imperial County 4H Leaders Council

Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Shannon Magana at 6:00 pm at the Farm Bureau in El Centro. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4H Pledge led by Shannon Magana.

Roll call was accomplished by sign in and a quorum was established.

Minutes from the May meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes as written. Motion was seconded and carried.

Treasurer's Report

Becky Poloni reported there is a balance of \$39,792.40.

Special Guest

Nathaniel Arroyave from Star Route 4H gave a presentation about his experience at Southern Section Field Day. He participated in a discussion meet where members were given a topic and were asked to prepare an opening statement in 30 seconds. Then after discussion, they were required to give a closing statement. Nathaniel made it through to the Final Four and will be competing in Sacramento this fall. The cost of the trip will be approximately \$400/person to attend. His mother will accompany him bringing the total to about \$800. He asked if the Leaders Council would be able to help defray some of the cost of attending this event. After some discussion it was decided to table the decision for now. Nathaniel will provide a detailed account of the cost of the trip to Shannon Magana. The Executive Board will vote on this later.

Old Business

Pilot Program - Online Banking: There is no new information on this. It is still being looked into.

Color Me Green Run Rehash: There was a good turnout and everyone had a good time. They collected enough money to fund the Cal Focus and Washington Focus conferences and repay the loan to the Leaders Council. This was the All Stars Emerald Project.

Sustainable You! Day Camp - Shanna: Everything is on track for the day camp. It will be from June 15 - 19. If there are any teens interested in helping, please contact Shanna.

Jr./Teen Leader Retreat Follow-up - All Stars: The retreat went over well. They worked on ice breakers and helped complete the forms for the record book.

New Business

Achievement Night - All Stars, Magnolia and M&M: Achievement Night will be held June 24th at 6:00 pm at the Hidalgo Society Hall in Brawley.

All Stars Report - All Star Team: Interviews for the 2015/2016 All Star Team have been completed and the new team was in attendance. They introduced themselves as: Shelby Dill, Joshua Trimm, Sara Jessica Ochoa, Mikalla McFadden and Camille Silva. They gave some reasons for wanting to be an All Star as helping the community, furthering their leadership skills and being role models to incoming 4H youth.

Steven Johnson will be representing Imperial County 4H in Canada July 20 - 25 when he attends Alberta Canada Club Week.

All Stars & Advisor - Shanna: Shanna will not be able to attend the SLC at the end of July and will need another person to go in her place. They will be a point of contact person for the All Star Team at the conference.

State Leadership Conference: The Leaders Council needs to vote on funding the All Stars trip to SLC in July. There are five All Stars attending, as well as, 17 youth from the county. A motion was made to approve the funds for the All Stars to attend SLC. The motion was seconded and carried.

BBQ Committee: We need one member from each club to be a part of this committee. The committee will meet and divide up responsibilities. A sign-up sheet was passed around to accomplish this.

2015 4H BBQ Ticket Price: The price of the tickets last year were \$10. Do we want to keep the price the same? Do we want to hold the barbecue at the same place? After some discussion, it was decided to keep the price at \$10 and to keep the barbecue at the fairgrounds.

Record Book Judging: This will be done at the 4H Office on June 20th. Each club needs to send two members to judge record books. They will begin receiving books at 8:00 am and begin judging at 9:00 am. Shanna will send out guidelines for officers books to everyone.

Election of Executive Board: The Executive Board consists of the officers of the Leaders Council and four additional members. The terms are for two years. The board handles time sensitive issues between meetings of the Leaders Council through email communication. Angie Ortiz, Calipatria 4H; Genova Torres, Magnolia 4H; Millie Spaugh, Star Route 4H; and Tina Cruz, Westmoreland 4H all volunteered to be on the Executive Board. A motion was made to accept these members. The motion was seconded and carried.

Budget: The budget will not be available until the September meeting. However, we need approval for funds for the All Star Outreach program for the fall kickoff. Last year was the movie night at the mall. The cost was approximately \$1500.00. We got a lot of new members during this event. A motion was made for \$1500. to be provided for the fall kick off. The motion was seconded and carried. If more money is needed, the Executive Board will be contacted.

Record Book Training: There will be one more training held at the 4H office on June 8th at 5:30 pm

Shooting Sports: There will be a shooting sports workshop in San Luis Obispo from September 29 through October 3. Plan now to send someone. Once they are trained, they will be certified to provided training here. Details of this event are in the June/July issue of the Intercom.

Checks: More checks have been released and Jennifer will hand them out at the end of the meeting.

4H Staff Report

June 30th is the deadline for compliance for the planning guide and finances and eligibility for a Gold Seal. The bylaws will need to be completed by the end of October. The new planning guides will be due then as well. Shanna is available for questions or help completing these items.

The Livestock Leaders meeting on September 17th will be to elect a new board and foundation representatives.

Bio Security Proficiency: This is a new process to help mitigate risks in the pens before you get your animals. They will be looking to work through this process with one club.

Calendar Planning

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to preparing the 2015/2016 calendar events and which clubs will be the host.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 pm. The motion was seconded and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Smith