

The meeting was called to order by Yolanda Fiorenza at 6:10 p.m. at the Imperial County Farm Bureau in El Centro. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4H Pledge.

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

There were no minutes from the September 2016 meeting available for review.

There was no Treasurer's report given.

OLD BUSINESS

- Enrollment deadline is November 8, 2016. Some leaders stated they were having issues with making changes to member information in the online-enrollment system.
- Officer Training/Officer Installations rehash - All Star Keeley Poloni spoke about the officer training event. She said that the training went very well..
- Required Treasurer training for Youth and Adults is available online for youth and adults that attended the training last year. More information will be sent out when a final date is set.
- Fee waiver - There was a question if last year any members submitted a fee waiver form, Clubs and the County split the fee 50%/50%. There was a suggestion that maybe the member could be asked if there was any portion of the fee that they were able to pay and it was agreed that the clubs could do that. A motion was made by Millie Spaugh "I motion that we retain where the Club pays half and Council pays half" Motion was seconded by Linda Sanchez. Motion carried.
- Countywide Projects-
 1. I Sprout-Linda Sanchez discussed where to enroll online for the Beginning 4H project.
 2. Young Ambassadors - 10 member cap. Send names & phone numbers to Linda Sanchez.
 3. Small Animals (Rabbits, Cavies, Poultry) Rabbit Show at Del Mar Fair on 10/9/16. Contact Yolanda Fiorenza and Teresa Acosta.
 4. Beginning Quilting - Contact Linda Sanchez
 5. Dog Project - Becky Poloni will have her 1st meeting in November and then meet once a week after Christmas on Sundays in Holtville. Look for meeting time in November Intercom.
 6. Archery Project - If any interested, contact Shanna Abatti or Millie Spaugh.

Leader Gracia Lopez asked if any clubs have room for members in their feeder calf project. Please let her know.

NEW BUSINESS

4H BBQ - Need volunteers for Meat trimming on Saturday morning. Bring knives. 8:00 a.m. at Swiss Club in Holtville. Jennifer at 4-H office needs names of people to help with meat trimming and BBQ. Clubs having meetings that week and will email the names and numbers to Jennifer after club meetings.

- 4H Office still needs someone to pick up the plastic trash cans to clean and sterilize them before meat trimming and take them to the Swiss Club.
- Need at least 2 men to pick up meat slicer at 4-H office before closing and deliver to BBQ on Sunday morning.
- Bo needs help at 2:00 Friday (October 14) to meet him at Smart & Final to load the supplies into the trailer.
- President Yolanda Fiorenza explained that Shanna made up a print out explaining details of what each duty entails for the BBQ.
- Jennifer explained that she is going to help count tickets at the BBQ. We also need cookers to help cook the meat. Becky Poloni asked if Jennifer can make up a separate ticket to use when someone buys the tri tip meat after the BBQ. Someone needs to decide what the price of the tri-tip meat will sell for. There was discussion that in the past some people will just come at the end of the BBQ to use their tickets for meat only. Will that be accepted? Discussion on selling whole tri tips was tabled until we could talk to Shanna. Also it has been decided that all the meat will be cooked this year. Less tri tip was ordered this year due to all the leftover tri tip from previous year. Verde mentioned that at Swiss Club BBQ they serve about 5 slices of meat.

State Leaders Forum- November 11-13. No one has signed up to go yet. Millie Spaugh encourages leaders to attend. Yolanda Fiorenza asked if all expenses are paid by Council and who do they contact if they are interested in attending? Millie said there is a \$200 registration fee per person. Yolanda Fiorenza asked what takes place at the

Forum. Millie Spaugh and Linda Sanchez explained that there are trainings provided to leaders about community outreach. It was discussed that there is a budget for State Leaders.

All Star Report - Keeley Poloni spoke about 4-H week and how members of the community can spread the word about 4-H. Allstars are creating an Instagram Challenge #IC4HWeek16. Post photos showing 4H spirit on Instagram and use the hashtag. Keeley shared that two Merten girls were involved in auto accident recently and she asked the Council to join her in a prayer for their speedy recovery. Mrs. Britschgi shared that the injuries included broken bones, Keeley spoke about Spooky Adventures on 10/29. Yolanda Fiorenza said this a great activity for Primary Members to be involved. Non 4-H members are welcome to participate. Older members can be camp counselors and obtain leadership opportunities. There is a camp counselor training on October 23rd. Keeley also reminded everyone to bring pre-packaged baked goods for the All Stars to sell at the 4-H BBQ. Please bring baked goods pre-packaged in \$1 value bags.

National Youth Science Day - Theme is Drone Discovery. Call 4H office for more information. This takes place after 4-H Bike Ride.

4H Bike Ride - Saturday, October 8th. Registration at 8:00 a.m. and Bike ride begins at 9:00 a.m. Will have a bike decorating contest. 6.5 mile ride will start at McCabe School and end at Sunbeam Lake. Free lunch, fruit, drinks, dessert and swimming. All children must wear helmets. Non members are welcome to participate.

4H Educational Poster Contest - Yolanda Fiorenza wants to display all posters at the BBQ. Posters are due at the 4H office on Friday, October 14th. Posters should be picked up at the BBQ. According to Linda Sanchez, posters can be used 3 times for presentations and can be entered in the Fair. Linda also said that posters sometimes have gotten damaged at the BBQ and asked if everyone would please be careful handling them. She asked if they could be displayed without staples, clips, etc. Poster entry form is in the Intercom and needs to be secured to the back of the poster.

National 4-H Week - October 3-7th. Previously discussed.

Tractor Supply Paper Clover - Bring baked goods to give out when people buy paper clovers.

By-laws - Club By-Laws are due November 8th along with Budget, Planning Guide and Enrollments. Call 4-H office if there are any questions.

Committee for Judges Awards - Need volunteers for a committee this year. There was a lot of discussion regarding judge's gifts. Last year were all different levels of value. Gifts should be equal in value. Also some people were confused whether the gifts were for judges at County events or winners of County events. Millie Spaugh and Linda Sanchez explained that 4-H members should receive pins for their uniform hat as awards, not gifts. Becky Poloni asked if this item could be tabled and postponed until Shanna gets back. Elena Johnson motioned "to table committee for judges until Shanna returns" motion seconded by Stacy Britschgi. Motion carries.

Small Animal Clinic - Kelly Jackson spoke about the Small Animal Clinic at IV Expo on November 5th.. Any questions contact Kelly Jackson, David Shelton, Kristin Smith. It was discussed that the Large Animal Clinic is in January 2017.

Washington Focus / Cal Focus - Applications due November 16th.

Emerald Star applications due November 16th. There is discussion on what is needed to obtain Emerald Star. Call 4-H office if there are questions.

4-H Staff Report

There are 2 clubs that have not turned in financials and those clubs have been suspended. Those clubs have been notified.

Livestock Leaders Report

Yolanda Fiorenza read the Livestock Leaders Report.

Project Loans are available at First Imperial Credit Union up to maximum of \$1500. Apply online. At least 1 parent must be employed for 1 year. Rabobank is no longer doing animal loans.

Kelley Jackson asked if there were results of the National 4-H Week Poster Contest. Jennifer will email results to the clubs.

Linda Sanchez moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Stacy Britschgi seconded and the motion carries.

