

## **Los Angeles County 4-H Leaders Council Meeting**

Saturday, September 29, 2018 Antelope Valley District, Quartz Hill Library, 5040 W. Ave. M-2 Quartz Hill

The meeting was called to order at 10:16 by President Peter Michel.

**Flag salute** was led by Mark Kasperson and 4-H pledge was led by Rebekah Kasperson. Everyone introduced themselves.

**Agenda-** Motion to approve by Melinda, seconded by Holly, voted on and passed.

**Minutes from the May 2018- meeting**—Amanda moved that we approve the minutes as printed, seconded by Mark. Voted on and passed.

**Treasurer's Report**--Misty Silman moved that we approve as printed. Seconded by Dennis DeYoung. Voted on and passed.

**Correspondence to Council**—none

**Vice-President's Report** - no current Vice-President

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's report**—Shelby Silman - 4-H InFUNmational Day will be a giant project for the public to learn about 4-H and recruit new members. It is Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018 at Lancaster Park from 2-4 with set up at 1pm. We need members to come and set up a "booth" about their project. Contact Shelby at shelbysilman16@gmail.com

**County Office report.**-Charlene Moore: This is the 2nd year for the state online classes to be taken. Leaders still have to enroll online. Spin clubs are starting. They are one project clubs. They are still working out the details on how this will work.

**District Reports:** **AV**— AV fair in August went well. Eastside brought livestock for the first time in many years. Changes to be made to building take-in will be next year. District awards will be the end of October. A first-time scholarship was presented to seniors with funds raised from auctioning an organic hog raised by a 4-H family. **SSG**- They had their awards night and project Fair. It was fun and well attended. **SFV**—. no report **NSG**— ER-HP hosted a 4-H booth at the LA County Fair for 4 weeks. Members told about 4-H and made crafts and planted plants with the public. Pomona Valley, Altadena and PVP 4-H clubs also helped in

the booth. Our NSG district awards day will be Oct. 20, with science and community service activities.

### **Committee/Other Reports:**

**1. County Incentive and Recognition Committee Report** by Noel Keller, County I&R Committee Chair, [nkeller91711@gmail.com](mailto:nkeller91711@gmail.com), 909-621-2373 – home, 909-957-6498 – cell

**2018 County Record Book competition--** This year we had 45 record books submitted for the county record book competition-14 Jr., 18 Inter., and 13 Seniors. We evaluated books on Sept. 15 and 22. We thank all those who helped evaluate the books on those days. We cannot have this record book recognition program without evaluators. All senior books were evaluated for Senior awards of excellences in Leadership, Community Service, Achievement, SET, Project work and Healthy Living. Good record keeping is a life skill. We encourage members to take time to complete their 4-H records in a way that they will enjoy looking at in years to come. 4-H record book can be a reference for future college and job applications. The annual County Awards Day program will be held at 1pm here after this county council meeting. Please stay for the awards ceremony. County record books and officer book awards will be announced along with special awards for Senior Awards of Excellence and Jr/Teen leadership. According to our district rotation assignments for this event NSG will be doing the program, SSG will be the publicity, SFV district is in charge of decorations and AV district will be doing the refreshments.

**Record Book Manual for 2018-2019** The state 4-H office released a 2018-2019 California 4-H record Book Manual, which is considered to be the current manual and we are told to discard all previous record book manuals. Please use this manual for your 4-H records this year (2018-2019). A second manual California 4-H Record Book Forms 2018-2019 contains the forms to use with the first 2018-2019 manual of instructions. Please use these forms for your records this year. Across the top of each form is the phrase "California 4-H Record Book 2018-2019. DO NOT USE FORMS FROM PRIOR 4-H RECORD BOOK MANUALS. A third record book manual for leaders is also available from the state office and our county website. From the State 4-H we hear that the 2018-2019 Record Book manuals for Jr., Intermediate and Sr. members will be much the same as 2017-2018. All clubs will be expected to come into alignment with the state book. All other supplemental forms are not included in the state Record Book if submitted to the state record book competition. Be sure to use the 2018-2019 forms for this year's records. There still seems to be confusion by leaders and members on how to correctly fill out the record book forms. Read the Record Book manuals carefully and perhaps the districts should offer some training sessions.

**Club Officer Recognition:** There is a county program to recognize good work done by club officers. Club officers should be encouraged to create an Officer Book during the year and then submit it at the end of the year for recognition. The guidelines for the officer books is on the county website. The officer categories are President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Historian/Memory Book, and Other officers. All club officers are eligible to submit an officer book. The evaluation of the books is Danish, so that all officers have a chance to earn a gold officer pin.

**State Record Book Competition:** This year we have two senior members who have indicated an intent to submit their records to the State Record Book competition. Their records are due to

the LA 4-H office by Oct. 22. This year their records will again be sent electronically to the state office by Oct. 26th. The evaluation of the records will also occur electronically November through mid-January with results announced at the end of January. This year evaluators for the state record books will be selected from applications.

**ATTENTION- SENIOR MEMBERS--you can still compete in the State Record Book competition** It you were a Senior 4-H member last year and didn't submit a Letter of Intent to submit your record book to the 2018 State Record Book competition by June 30, you can still do it, but you need to act quickly. You will only lose one point in the evaluation by submitting the letter late. You do not have to have submitted your record book in the county record book competition to compete in the state record book competition. If you decide to go ahead with entering your record book in the state competition, let Noel Keller know (nkeller91799@gmail.com). You need to submit your 2018 record book to the LA County 4-H Office by **October 22**, plus the cover letter and county check list that you will find on the state website. You can submit your record book electronically or by dropping it off at the office. The record books are submitted to the state competition electronically. If you drop off your book, then the LA 4-H Office will scan your book and then submit the scanned copy to the state.

**4-H 2018 Graduate Certificate and Pins--**As 4-H members graduate out of the LA County 4-H program each year, they are recognized at their district Achievement Day programs. Club leaders should notify Charlene Moore in the AV 4-H Office with the names and years of 4-H experience of their 4-H graduates so that certificates and pins can be prepared in time for their district achievement events. Please contact Charlene if you have any questions about this. 2018 4-H Graduates who have been in 4-H three years or more will receive engraved 4-H graduate pins and will be listed in the October issue of Clover Notes.

**Primary Member Reporting:** There are two versions of the state Primary Member Report form that were released on July 1, 2016. One is a basic report and the other follows and supports the iSprout curriculum. At this time, LA County 4-H is still using its own Primary Member reporting form which offers the opportunity for White Star and White Star pin ranks. This form for LA County is available on the LA County 4-H website.

**Club Goal Planning:** Goal setting and following through to achieved the goals are an important part of the 4-H experience. Each year clubs are encouraged to set goals for the program year.

**Member Planning Form:** Planning is also important for your club members. What are their individual goals for this year? There is a Member Planning Sheet available on the county website under FORMS. Encourage your members to complete this form at the beginning of the program year.

**State 4-H Ambassador applications are due by January 7, 2019.**

**2019-2020 LA County 4-H All Star Ambassador applications are due by Feb. 15, 2019.**

**Junior All Star county project:** Dee Keese is again running the Junior All Star county project this year. Thank you, Dee! Applications are available on the county website and are due Oct. 1. This is a great opportunity for members to learn valuable leadership skills and gain leadership experience. Being in this county project does not mean that you are a LA County All Star. There has been some confusion in the past. This county project can help get you ready to apply for LA County All Star Ambassador in the future. Contact Dee for more information.

**District Representation on the County I&R Committee:** All districts should have two elected representatives on the county Incentives and Recognition Committee. The term for a representative is one year. The current 2018-2019 county I&R Committee members are Noel Keller and Judylynn Pelling from NSG, Dee Keese and Peter Michel from SSG, Laura Shannon and Dannon Shaughnessy from AV and Amy Lockmann from SFV. The committee usually meets by conference call during the year. Please notify Noel Keller with the names of any newly elected 2018-2019 I&R district representatives. The next meeting is Tuesday, Oct 23 at 8:30pm by conference call.

**2.. All-Star Ambassador Report--Shelby Sillman--Applications are due Feb. 15, 2019.**

**3. Welcome & Welcome Back to 4-H Night** for project leaders and community club leaders was Sept. 6. Keith Nathaniel and Dawn Fuller talked about new exciting things in 4-H. A new award, The Mary Lash Leadership Award, was presented to Dennis DeYoung. Thank you to PVP and Dee Keese for hosting.

**4. Livestock Symposium-AV-** Jan. 26, 2019 - It is in the planning stage. The cost is \$1800 They are hoping to get sponsorship money from Edison again.

**5. County Judging Day-SFV-** is in the planning stages. AV may be helping.

**6. County Food Fair –** March 9, 2019

**7. County Fashion Revue--Melinda Kasperson** It will be March 23, 2019 with County Field Day.

**8. County Field Day--SSG--March 23, 2019**

**9. LA County Summer camp—**2018 Camp at Camp Seely in Crestline, CA - Actual Headcount: 211 campers & staff + 30 adults = 241 total participants at the 2018 Camp

- Issues / Concerns / Successes from the 2018 Camp – Camp went well – had to call 911 for a knee injury to Andre Jackson on the camp field. No one was sent home for disciplinary reasons. Nurse Adler did a great job. Staff performed above expectations.
- Staff Party Report - Saturday, July 7, 2018 at the Jack Kramer Club in Rolling Hills – There were 35 children and 6 adults attending and all but 9 spent the night at Dee's home after the swim party.
- Kelly Dowlan was selected as the 2019 4-H Summer Camp Head Adult Director. Kelly has been the HAD every year since 2012 – the 2019 camp will be her 8<sup>th</sup> year leading 4-H Summer Camp.
- Camp Committee Composition –The Camp Committee added a representative from Riverside County as a voting member of the 4-H Summer Camp Committee. Betty Mullen was appointed to the Summer Camp Committee to fill the newly created position of Riverside County Representative.

#### 2019 4-H SUMMER CAMP TIMELINE & DEADLINES

See [www.4Hsummercamp.com](http://www.4Hsummercamp.com) for all forms, details & applications

**Friday, September 28, 2018** – Deadline to Apply for Head Youth Director and Adult Directors

**Sunday, September 30, 2018** – Camp Committee Meeting at Mary Lash’s house – 3:00 PM; Interview and selection of Head Youth Director and Adult Directors. Adult Directors are only interviewed if this is their first time applying.

**Friday, November 30, 2018** – Deadline to Apply for Youth Directors, Kings and Queens (Executive Team)

**Sunday, December 2, 2018** – Interviews for Youth Directors, Kings and Queens – 12:00 – 2:00PM at Mary Lash’s Home

**Sunday, December 2, 2018** - Camp Committee Meeting at Mary Lash’s house – 3:00 PM

**Saturday, January 5, 2019** – Staff Training Day for Directors, Kings & Queens at Mary Lash’s house – 10:00 AM – 3:00PM

**Sunday, March 3, 2019** – Camp Committee Meeting at Mary Lash’s house – 3:00 PM

**Friday, March 15, 2019** – Deadline to Apply for Camp Staff (Must be age 14 or older by 1/1/2019)

**Saturday, March 23, 2019** – Staff Interviews – Location: At County Field Day, Mt. San Antonio College –Walnut

**April 13, 2019** – Staff Training Day – 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Location TBA

**Sunday, May 5, 2019** – Camp Committee Meeting at Mary Lash’s house – 3:00 PM

**Friday, May 31, 2019** – Deadline to Apply for Robert P. Amman Memorial Campership (\$150 max)

**Sunday, June 9, 2019** – Final Camp Committee Meeting at Mary Lash’s house – 3:00 PM

**Summer Camp (TENTATIVE DATE) - Sunday, June 23rd – Saturday, June 29, 2019** – 4-H Summer Camp at Camp Seely – *ACTUAL DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED IN NOVEMBER, 2018*

**Saturday, July 6, 2019** – Camp Staff Party at the Jack Kramer Club in Rolling Hills Estates – 3:00 – 8:00 PM

## **10. California 4-H Management Board and Southern Area**

John Trammell from San Bernardino County was selected to continue as the Southern Area Director for another two-year term. Adult Noel Keller and youth Katherine Shannon termed out as LA County 4-H members of the Southern Area Program Development Committee. Adult Meredith McKenzie and youth Anissa Foster were selected as the new LA County members of the Southern Area Program Development Committee for this year. When concern was raised that neither of these people have been involved in LA County 4-H county-level activities, here was the reply from John Trammell:

“It seems that your basis for the selecting of committee members is reliant on the idea we are still set up like a representative structure. Remember that the purpose of the Southern Area Committee and the responsibilities of committee members are not to serve in a representative capacity like the old section/state council system was designed. Instead, the committee is responsible for identifying programming needs of 4-H youth in Southern Area and to make sure these programming needs are met. It is not a requirement for committee members to be involved in any type of county VMO and/or to be current on what is happening in their county 4-H program. Depending on the goals and/or projects of the committee, committee members will reach out to county 4-H staff and/or County VMOs when we need to discover what those needs are or to reach out to form a partnership to accomplish creating new types of programming to

meet those needs. We may also reach out for assistance in looking for youth and adults to help us plan area hosted events (e.g. Area Field Day and Southern Youth Summit).”

The status of the Southern Area Field Day for 2019 is not known. The Southern Area Program Development Committee has not yet met to decide on a date or a Chair for the event. We are told to watch the Southern Area Facebook page for more information about this.

**11. Shooting Sports**—from Dee--National Champion Application are due Oct. 1.

**12. General Science** --Greg Younker - As Science Chairman for Los Angeles County 4-H, I would like to start the year with the possibility of participating in Engineers Week at Northrop-Grumman. This Corporation celebrates Engineers Week at various sites across the country every February. The week is a time to honor the engineering profession, show appreciation for engineers and inspire future generations of engineers and students to pursue a career in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields. Locally, Northrop-Grumman Aerospace will have Engineer's week in February 2019. The location will be at either the Redondo Beach or El Segundo Facility during standard working week hours. Duration of the event is approximately one day. Engineer's week is designed for local area middle and high school groups to spark an interest in science and engineering careers. Featured are facility tours as well as STEM activities with Northrop-Grumman Engineers. Before pursuing the possibility of having Los Angeles County 4-H invited to this event, there must be sufficient interest from Club members. Club leaders are invited to find out how many youth members will be interested to attend, so we can plan our visit.

**13. Healthy Living** – no report

**14. Technology Chair** – no report

**15. Leaders Recognition Luncheon** – no report

## **Old Business**

1. Missing officers--Mrs. Marina Krishmar was elected to be the LA County Council Vice President. We still need a Civics Chair and a Parliamentarian/Policy Secretary.

2 County Constitution and By-Laws --tabled

**New Business** - Attendance was discussed. Without a quorum present, no votes can be taken at a council meeting. However, reports can be given.

## **Announcements** –

1. County Awards program – AV- Sept. 29

2. Junior Leader Conference – All Star Ambassadors planning it – Jan. 12, 2019

Next County Council meeting is January 12, 2019 Hosted by –SSG

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26am

Respectfully Submitted, Judylynn Pelling, Secretary

Those attending were Peter Michel, Marina Krishmar, Nicoleene Yunker - SSG – PVP; Noel Keller, Cindy & Kaitlyn Hanlon, Brenda & Cienaga Zepeda - NSG - Pomona Valley; Judylynn Pelling - NSG – ERHP; Anika, Amanda, Holly Whipple, AV - Westside; Mark, Rebekah, Melinda Kasperson-AV-Canyon Coyotes; Dennis DeYoung, Teresa Fint—SFV, SFV 4-H; Karen Glover-AV-Eastside; Johanna Stewart-.SSG – Greenleaf; Laura Shannon-AV -L.V Racketteers; Misty, Shelby, Billy Silman-AV-Neenach; Charlene Moore- AV 4-H Office. A quorum was present for the meeting.