

Los Angeles 4-H Leaders Council, April 4, 2020

On line Virtual Meeting Zoom, conference call option

The meeting of the Leaders Council was called to order by president Peter Michel at 10:12 am. Flag salute and 4H Pledge was waved by vote.

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Noel, seconded by Johanna, passed.

Minutes of the February 1, 2020 meeting. Noel moved we approve the minutes as printed. Seconded by Marci. Voted on and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Discussed as printed. Donations from stores to 4-H were discussed. Johanna was asked to keep a copy of these checks when they come in so we will know where they are donated. Noel moved and Megan seconded that we approve the report, voted on and passed.

Correspondence: We have received a few thank you letters for awards. Noel has put them in the book.

President's Report: A moment of silence was observed for Adrian and Julian Haskell, two members of the Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club. They will be deeply missed.

Vice-President's Report At our county council meeting in May, we approved the 2019-2020 LA County 4-H Calendar. Since then, there have been some date changes and additions but they are not currently updated on the 2019-2020 LA County 4-H calendar on the county 4-H website. Please watch Clover Notes for date changes. Notable changes and additions include the following:

--Southern Area Field Day – **canceled for May 2** (now it will be virtual, with the details yet to be announced)

--State Field Day – **canceled for May 30** (now it will be virtual, with the details yet to be announced)

--4-H summer camp – changed from June 21-27 to June 14-20

-- County Healthy Living event – now on May 9

--County Science event "Robot Block Party" – May 19

Today as Vice-President I will be leading a discussion of the event dates for the LA County 4-H 2020-2021 Calendar. We will also be discussing council officer nominations and council budget adjustments. The dates, nominations and budget adjustments are to be discussed at our March council meeting and then finalized and approved at our May council meeting. This is our usual planning process. We will need to look carefully at our date planning to minimize the need to change dates in the future. We will be asking the Area and State to set their dates for 2020-2021 so the dates are known before we finalize our county calendar. Since the state Management Board and office are still getting organized, however, we may have to be flexible in our planning. Please email 2020-2021 event dates and officer nominations to Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com). Forms and information for submitting officer nominations and budget adjustment requests are on the county website. Please consider getting more involved in the planning of our LA County 4-H opportunities for our members. Senior youth are permitted to hold many of the council positions or share the position with another person. We want to have the best 4-H program possible for our youth. Please contact Noel if you have any questions or input for this planning.

To stay informed about what is happening in 4-H, please read the county 4-H newsletter Clover Notes and the state 4-H newsletter CA 4-H Newsletter each month. Please read the minutes of our county council meetings. Please look at the LA County 4-H Calendar. Most of these items are on the LA County 4-H website.

2nd Vice president report—(Youth) Nicoleene Yunker –No report

County Office Report: Charlene Moore-- They are working from home and meeting by zoom. Email is the best way to contact. Restriction on meetings is to the end of April. May is still in the planning stage. Clubs should be starting by zoom or find materials on different state web sites. Don't stop doing things, just find new ways to do things. If you were going to have a fundraiser in March, April or May and are not doing it, let Charlene know. If you are not doing a community service that your club spent money on, let Charlene know. There are a lot of learning activities on state website, especially let members know about these links. There are a lot of good food preservation videos that can be used in food projects. Contact leaders about using technical means. Roy is our specialist.

If leader pins are needed inform Charlene. Clubs keep your financial records up. Also work on record books. Please check in with your 4-H members once a week.

Committee/ Other Reports:

1. I&R—**County Incentive and Recognition Committee Report** by Noel

Keller, County I&R Committee Chair nkeller91711@gmail.com, 909-621-2373 – home, 909-957-6498

LA County Judging Day results LA County Judging Day was held on February 22. I will try to have a link to the 2020 Judging Day award results published in the April issue of Clover Notes and put up on the county website.

LA County Field Day and Fashion Revue The LA County 4-H Field Day for March 28 was cancelled and replaced with a virtual event using the Entry by Video option. When the event is completed the results will be included in the Clover Notes and on the county website.

The LA County Fashion Revue for March 28 was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At this time, the plans to replace this event have not been announced.

LA County 4-H All-Star Ambassador Program LA County 4-H All-Star Ambassador interviews were held on February 22 at County Judging Day. The new 2020-2021 LA County 4-H All-Star Ambassadors would have been announced at County Field Day, but now that announcement will need to be done in another way.

California State Ambassador – Asa Yeck We have heard that PVP club member Asa Yeck has been selected as a new California State Ambassador. Congratulations to Asa! It is always great to have a LA County 4-H member on the State Ambassador team.

2019-2020 Officer Book forms The forms and information for the 2020 Officer Book Recognition program are available on the county website. All club and Hi-4H officers are encouraged to prepare their officer records for award consideration after the end of the program year. Officers should be working on this now. Officers are encouraged to make their office the best it can be and try for an Officer Gold medal. The evaluation of the officer records is done with the Danish system of evaluating so all officers have a chance to earn a Gold medal for their officer work.

Friends of 4-H Each program year the County Council considers honoring an individual and/or organization that have been particularly helpful to the LA County 4-H program. Each district was encouraged to submit Friend of 4-H nominations to the County council by the council meeting in March. Today we will be voting on any district nominations submitted.

Leader Appreciation At this time, the LA County 4-H office is not planning a Leader Appreciation event for this year. The office will award leader pins to

leaders (first year, then at 5 years, 10, 15, etc.) if they are specifically requested by the club leader. The I&R Committee is recommending that districts honor their 4-H leaders this year, instead of having a county-wide leadership appreciation event. It is thought that leaders may be more likely to attend or participate in a more local leader appreciation event.

Reminder – Record Books Please be sure that your club members are using the correct 2019-2020 Record Books forms for their records this year. At this time, expect that the record book competitions at the county and state levels will be much the same as last year. The 2020 county record book competition information is on the county website.

2020 County Awards event At the September and February County Council meetings the format of the Awards Day was discussed. It was suggested that the Awards ceremony be combined with the county council meeting in a three-hour block, occurring either 9:30am-12:30pm or 1-4pm, with 1 ½ hours being allocated to each, plus some member activity (community service, workshop, etc.) occurring at the same time as the council meeting. It was thought that the “member activity” might attract more youth to attend the event. No lunch would need to be provided. Today this idea will be discussed as part of the 2020-2021 calendar planning. The committee would like to see the change to the morning 9:30a-12:45p (council meeting 9:30-11am and awards ceremony 11:15am-12:45pm).

2. Summer camp is June 14-20, 2020. Staff interviews were held over the phone. They are planning to do all the training for staff virtually. Campership deadline is May 1st and camp registration June 1st.

3. All Star Ambassador Team—Marci Barrett They are trying to figure out how to pull everything together, and finish their projects. Sophie Lowener is our new All Star Ambassador. She should think about how to do a virtual project.

4. County Food Fair – AV- March 7, 2020 – Charlene Moore It will be at Acton Faith Bible Church. Categories are Decorated Cakes, Foods and Food Preservation, Table Setting and Baked goods

5. County Fashion Revue – We don’t know what state is doing. We want to make it similar. We still want to have it before the end of June.

6. County Field Day—Amy Lockmann We are doing it on You Tube. Members are sending it in. We are planning to do the interview contest with zoom.

7. County Science Day – Kenneth Yunker (youth) – May 16, 2020 from 9am to 2 p, at Berean Fellowship Church in Palmdale

8. Healthy Living – Kaylin Kwan (youth)—No report.

9. Southern Area Field Day— **virtual this year** The Southern Area 4-H Field Day for May 2 at Mt. SAC in Walnut was cancelled and will be replaced with a virtual event. The details are due to come out after April 7. They are considering using Zoom rooms for conducting the competitions. They are still requiring a Gold medal at county field day to be able to enter most of the categories. So that our LA County 4-H members can compete at Area Field Day, we need to provide a proportionate number of evaluators (judges) and room hosts.

10. State Field Day and Fashion Review— **virtual this year** The State Field day for May 30 at UC Davis was cancelled and will be replaced with a virtual event. The details are due to come out soon. They are considering using Zoom rooms for conducting the competitions, much like what is being planned for the Area Field Days. Again, they will be requiring a Gold medal at the Area Field Day to be eligible to compete at the State level. They will limit the number of entries per member (one presentation, one Share the 4-H Fun skit).

11. Junior All Star County Project – no report

12. State leadership Conference—no information yet. New All Star will be paid. Other All Stars will be paid half.

District Reports: AV—Everyone is concerned about AV fair. If the fair does not happen, they will try to have a Jr. Livestock Auction. Did District fashion show but with out the Food Fair. There were table settings. There were decorated cakes but no serving of cakes. They hope to reschedule for June for Food Fair. SFV—Working on county Field Day. SSG—Working on SGV Fair. Conference call is scheduled for Thursday. They had a district field Day for the first time and it went

well. **NSG 4-H district report** The NSG 4-H district held a successful district Monte Farmer's Fair on Saturday February 8 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in LA. Our NSG Home Ec and Field Day was held on Saturday, February 29th at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. We had a fashion show, judging contest, food fair, cake walk, and clothing and food entries. The district is currently working with the SSG district planning for the 2020 SGV 4-H Fair. We have been continuing having our district meeting by conference call.

Event Reports 1. LA County Judging Day-2-22-20 –Charlene Moore Had a new group in tabulation that worked well. She has recruited them for next room. Attendance was not as big as sometimes. Had lots of help in the rooms.

2. County Food Fair—AV—3-7-20 --Charlene Moore hopes to reschedule.

Old Business

1. Nominations for Friends of 4-H from districts--no nominations
2. Submission of dates for 2020-21 calendar—1st draft was made.
3. **3. Nominations for Los Angeles County 4-H Leaders' Council Offices** For the program year **2020-2021**

These are the nominations so far.

President –

Vice-President -

2nd Vice-President (youth) –

(one of the LA County 4-H All Star Ambassadors)

Secretary –

Treasurer –

Report/Historian –

Agriculture Chair –

Science Chair –

Home Economics Chair –

Shooting Sports Chair –

Healthy Living Chair -

Technology Chair –

Leader Support Chair –

Incentives and Recognition Chair –

Civics Chair –

Parliamentarian/Policy Secretary –

All offices have a one year term. We need representatives from all four LA County 4-H districts to serve as council officers. Please consider being nominated for a county council office.

In addition to 4-H adult volunteers, senior youth members are eligible to hold most county council offices. An office may be shared with another person as “Co-” officers. A youth and adult can share an office in a youth and adult partnership.

4. Discussion of LA County Council Budget for 2020/21—Mary Lash/Johanna Stewart
5. Constitution and By Laws—Marjorie Rodriguez tabled

New Business. Emerald Star projects – The Emerald Star program is designed for intermediate and senior 4-H members. In general, the Emerald Star Project's purpose includes:

1. Providing an opportunity for 4-H members to develop projects in their community or in 4-H beyond the club level
2. Improving, creating, and expanding 4-H programs
3. Helping individual 4-H members grow and improve in the areas of organization, leadership, and project planning

This program is designed to help youth learn about project planning, organization, and presentation. Typically, youth develop an action plan for some type of multi-club event. They then organize and facilitate this event. After completion and presentation of their project, they are awarded with the Emerald Star award. You can start and complete an Emerald Star project any time during the program year. The Emerald Star application and information is on the county 4-H website. Each district has an Emerald Star Advisor, but a member can choose to work with any of the Emerald Star advisors.

General Announcements: Healthy living event –New Date, May 9, 2020
Next Meeting LA Leaders council –May 9, 2020 hosted by NSG

Adjournment –Noel moved we adjourn at 12:30 pm.

Attendance- NSG-Noel Keller, Cindy, Katiln Hanlon, Pomona Valley; Judylynn Pelling, Eagle Rock-Highland Park; Marci Barrett, Altadena Foothills; SSG- Peter Michel, Dee Keese PVP, Johana Stewart, Green leaf, SFV- Amy Lockmann , Laura, Ashley, Megan Arana, Agoura 4-H; Charlene Moore, Roy Hillstock County Office, Geraldine Baun, Yaaseen

Respectfully submitted, Judylynn Pelling, Secretary

