

Los Angeles 4-H Leaders Council, Saturday, May 9, 2020
On line Virtual Meeting Zoom, conference call option, NSG Host

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

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

Minutes of the April 4, 2020 meeting. Noel moved we approve the minutes as printed. Seconded by Dannon. Voted on and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Discussed as printed. We will be getting refunds from canceled events. Noel moved and Amy seconded that we approve the report, voted on and passed.

Correspondence: none

Program: Presentation by NSG County Field Day Winners: Tzeitel Agbayani – Dance, Katlyn Hanlon-Scardina -Demonstration

Vice President's report: Today as Vice-President I will be leading a discussion of the event dates, council officer nominations and council budget adjustments for the LA County 4-H 2020-2021 program year. The dates, nominations and budget adjustments will be discussed and then finalized and approved. Since the COVID-19 pandemic has caused such a change in our daily lives and we don't know when the crisis will end, however, we may have to be flexible in our planning. We may need to adjust our county dates during the year so watch for announcements of changes. Additional county dates will need to fit around the dates that we approve today.

Please consider getting more involved in the planning of our LA County 4-H opportunities for our members. Volunteer for a position on the county council. 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.

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. Don't be hesitant to ask for more information.

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

County Office Report: Charlene Moore--The office is still working remotely. Our state and director are leaving the meeting restrictions on the through May. They are working on how many members can be at a meeting. It may be meeting with no more than 10 members. Elections could be a problem. Be sure primary members get to see the process. Keep doing some project work. We hope by June it will open up a bit. It is different in the very rural areas. Nothing has been heard on the Science Fair. For livestock projects, they can be separated in rings or separated groups. For now, everything must be virtual.

District Reports: AV— Antelope Valley Fair is planned to go on. It will only be closed if the State closes it. If it is closed, plans are being made to have entries and virtual show if necessary. AV had a virtual district meeting. It was very successfully. SFV—No report SSG—Working on SGV 4-H Fair which is happening now with entries being judged this week. **NSG 4-H district** report by Noel Keller This year we successfully held all our district council meetings by conference call and we plan to continue with conference calls for next year. We have been busy helping with the planning and running of the virtual San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair, being held this week. Today we are hosting this LA County Council meeting with a program. We are planning to honor our leaders at our fall NSG Achievement event. We are starting to think about supporting a 4-H booth at the 2020 LA County Fair, if it is held this year.

Committee/ Other Reports:

1. I&R—**County Incentive and Recognition Committee Report** by Noel Keller, County I&R Committee Chair
Results of virtual County Field Day An article was written for the county website and the next issue of Clover Notes on the results of our first virtual County Field Day.

Friend of 4-H award - There are no Friend of 4-H awards to be given out this year.

REMINDER - Record Book Manual 2019-2020 and forms Encourage your club members to complete a 4-H record book this year. Being organized and keeping records are life skills. Consider offering incentives to club members who complete a record book.

We have stated that Record Book Manual 2019-2020 is the only record book manual and forms that should be used this year. It is available on the state 4-H website and on our county website. The online record book system uses the forms from this 2019-2020 manual. If you have questions, contact a member of the county I&R Committee or Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com).

2019-2020 County Record Book Competition and Awards Day The forms and information for the 2020 LA County Record Book Competition are available on the county website. For the county competition, the online 4-H forms will need to be printed out and submitted as hard copy. County Record Book Evaluating will be done much the same as it has been in past year. Record Books are due to LA or AV office by 4pm on Tuesday, Sept. 8 or on Wednesday, Sept. 9 to a member of the county I&R committee by 9pm. Record Book evaluating will occur on Sept. 12 (and 19, if needed). If a club has at least one record book submitted for the county record book competition, the club must provide at least one evaluator on Sept. 12. Please notify Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com) by Sept. 10 who will be the evaluator from your club. If more time is needed to complete the record book and special awards evaluation, the I&R committee will complete the evaluating on the next Saturday. Additional volunteers may be needed for that second evaluating day. Be sure all record book forms are signed properly. Be sure to use the correct forms and follow the current guidelines.

When evaluating the record books, the I&R Committee is recommending that the LA County evaluating form be used for all levels of record books and that in addition the state evaluating county forms be marked only for Seniors but not totaled. The state county forms will not be used for Juniors and Intermediates.

The LA County Awards Program will be held Saturday, September 26 after the LA County Council meeting that day. We are planning to have the awards ceremony start earlier so there will be no lunch break between the council meeting and the awards ceremony.

Online Record Book to end July 1, 2020 Due to development challenges and a rapidly changing technological environment have led UC 4-H to difficult decision to sunset ORB on July 1, 2020. Those who are currently using ORB for the 2019-20 program year will have access through December 31, 2020 to complete their record book. The California State 4-H Office will be hosting two informational webinars (April 25 and May 25) to provide direct information concerning the closure of the 4-H Online Record Book (ORB) and answer any related questions. These webinars will be recorded for viewing at a later time if you are unable to make one of the dates and times listed below.

Record Books and COVID-19 A special webinar is being held May 14 at 1pm to discuss virtual record book evaluations and competitions. We hope to get some guidelines for how to record 4-H activities during this COVID-19 pandemic. The webinar will be recorded for later viewing.

The county I&R Committee will be discussing this topic and hopefully will provide some county guidelines for recording events during the COVID-19 restrictions.

2020 State Record Book Competition At this time, we don't have information about the 2020 State Record Book Competition. At this time, assume that the state competition will be much like last year. Seniors who want to participate in the state competition should be ready to submit an Intent to Submit Form to the LA County 4-H office by August 31, 2020. Completing this form does not obligate the member to submit, rather it is intended to alert county volunteers and staff working with record books so that they might be prepared to provide support to members.

Watch for more information to come out about this.

2020-2021 State Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee

The State 4-H Office is now accepting applications for the state 4-H Advisory Committees, including the State Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee, for the 2019-2020 program year. All 4-H members, adult volunteers, and staff are encouraged to apply. The committees offer insight, review and input for the operation and management of the state 4-H program. Applications are due

to the CA State 4-H Office postmarked by May 31, 2020 or entered online. For more information, see: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Administration/Advisory_Committees/

District Representation on the County I&R Committee

This is the time when district councils are electing their new officers for the next program year. All districts should have two elected representatives on the county Incentives and Recognition Committee. The representatives should come from different clubs in the district, but if there are not representatives from two different clubs available, the district council can vote to have their I&R representatives from the same club. Please arrange to have your district represented on this important county committee. The committee usually meets by conference call on the 4th Tuesday of the months October through May, except not in December.

The next scheduled county I & R committee meeting will be on Tuesday, May 26 at 8:00pm as a conference call. Call your I & R district representatives with your incentives, recognition and awards comments, suggestions and concerns.

For more information about LA County 4-H record keeping and awards, consult the county website, the state website, the California 4-H Record Book Manual 2019-2020, the LA County 4-H Clover Notes newsletter, the county office, the state CA 4-H Newsletter, and/or members of the County Incentives and Recognition (I&R) Committee (Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Amy Lockmann, Laura Shannon, Dannon Shaughnessy, Dee Keese and Peter Michel).

2. Summer Camp , June 14-20, 2020 is canceled until next year. The idea of some state virtual camp activities was suggested.
3. All Star Ambassador Team—Marci Barrett They are to be working on their projects.
4. County Field Day—Amy Lockmann : Virtual County Field Day was a success considering it was a pioneer year. 21 county members participated by posting their presentations on YouTube. There were 5 demonstrations, one illustrated talk, 2 educational talks, 6 interpretive readings, 6 cultural arts and one persuasive speech. There were 4 interview contest participants. I know some members chose to compete at the area field day. I'm not sure how they did. I

know that one demonstration medaled and is headed to state virtual field day at the end of the month. Thank you to all who donated their time by being judges.

5. County Science Day – Kenneth Yunker (youth) – It was to be May 16, 2020 from 9am to 2 p, at Berean Fellowship Church in Palmdale. We are waiting to hear if some of it can be done virtually.

6. Healthy Living – Kaylin Kwan (youth)—event canceled this year

7. Southern Area Field Day— **virtual this year** All the area field days were combined this year into one large area-level field day held virtually. Not all categories were offered, but those that were followed the usual area-level guidelines. The competition was run through a series of Zoom rooms, where members performed live at pre-scheduled times. May 9 is the last day to compete at the area level. In most cases, you needed a Gold medal award at the county level to compete at the area level.

8. State Field Day and Fashion Review— **virtual this year** State Field Day will be run virtually much like the area field day. Again, not all categories are offered, but most require a Gold Medal to be earned at the Area level. Registration for State Field Day ends on May 13, with the Zoom competitions starting on May 18 and ending May 30. Look at the state website for what categories are being offered and the details for competing. A virtual awards ceremony is planned for May 31 at 6pm.

10. Junior All Star County Project – no report

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

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

Old Business

- 1. Nominations for Los Angeles County 4-H Leaders' Council Offices For the program year 2020-2021**

These are the nominations so far.

President – Peter Michel

Vice-President – Amy Lockman

2nd Vice-President (youth) – (one of the LA County 4-H All Star Ambassadors) ?

Secretary –Judylynn Pelling

Treasurer – Mary Lash and Johanna Stewart

Report/Historian –

Agriculture Chair – Dannon Shaughnessy

Science Chair –

Home Economics Chair – Melinda Kasperson ?

Shooting Sports Chair – Dee Keese

Healthy Living Chair -

Technology Chair – Peter Michel

Leader Support Chair –

Incentives and Recognition Chair – Noel Keller co-chair _____co-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. 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.)

2. Discussion of LA County Council Budget for 2020/21—Mary Lash/Johanna Stewart
3. Discussion of Calendar for 2020-21 - We discussed putting Healthy Living Seminar with the County Food Fair in order to have more participants. We discussed having some Zoom county council meetings next year because we have had more attendance at Zoom county council meetings this Spring.
4. Constitution and By Laws—Marjorie Rodriquez - tabled

New Business

1. Jr leader Conference-one day or weekend—Marci Barret Maybe October 3 or Nov. 7th. One day or weekend was not discussed.
2. Record books—September-Noel Keller
3. Approval of 20-21 LA County Council Officers-- Noel moved we accept those nominated. Seconded by Dennis, voted on and passed
4. Approval of 20-21 LA County 4-H Program Calendar-- Motion to accept by Judylynn, seconded by Dennis, voted on and passed.
5. Approval of 20-21 LA County Council Budget-- motion to accept by Dennis, Amy seconded the motion. Voted on and passed.

General Announcements: 1. Register for State Field Day and Fashion Review competition by May 13th.

2. Apply for 4-H CA State Advisory Committees (youth and adults) by May 31.

Adjournment –Judylynn moved we adjourn at 12 noon

Next LA County 4-H County Council Meeting is on Saturday, September 26, 2020

Attendance- NSG-Noel Keller, Cindy Hanlon, Kaitlyn Hanlon-Scardina, Pomona Valley; Judylynn Pelling, Eagle Rock-Highland Park; SSG- Peter Michel, Dee Keese PVP, SFV-Dennis DeYoung, San Fernando Valley, Amy Lockmann, Agoura 4-H; AV- Candice VanderHyde, Leona Valley Racketteers, Dannon Shaughnessy; Roy Hillstock, Charlene Moore, County office

Respectfully submitted, Judylynn Pelling, Secretary