

Orange County 4-H Council Meeting – SCREC – Tuesday, November 23, 2010
Tentative Minutes

Alex Martin, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Sea Jay Bates lead the **Pledge to the American Flag** and B. J. Bender lead the **4-H Pledge**.

Officer Reports

President – Alex Martin told us that the minutes, agenda, other forms and papers are at the back of the room. Alex also reported that she met with the fair last week to go over the Youth Expo and expectations for this year. She said that we still do not have a balance for the checking account. There are so many problems with the computer. Plans need to be made for a report from Rachel.

Vice President – Phil Pacia said that there will be a presentation from the Master Poultry team. Remember that if you want to give a presentation, just let Phil know ahead of time.

Treasurer – Jim Mullion was not present.

Secretary – Beverly Schrieber’s minutes were approved as presented.

Corresponding Secretary – Shar Rice had no report.

Youth Reports – B. J. Bender reported that much food was brought to the Achievement Night. We piggy backed with B. J.’s school. Over 80,000 cans were gathered for donation to South County Outreach.

4-H Office Report - Jeanne Lothridge stated that the clubs are coming in to complete the enrollment. Two or three clubs are still outstanding. Jeanne has been sending e-mails and talking with them. Hopefully by the middle of December the enrollment will be finished. Jeanne also reported the results from Ballotbin. The county council officers were elected by the following numbers.

President – Alex Martin 54 – Karen Yaros Pascoe 48.

Vice President – Phil Pacia 102.

Treasurer – Jim Mullion 102.

Recording Secretary – Beverly Schrieber 102.

Corresponding Secretary – Sharlene Rice 58 – Susan Yaros 44.

Youth Representatives – Natalie Lutz 84 – Ashleigh Mathias 82 – Tracy Rice 81 – B.J. Bender 3.

South Section Delegates – Ginny Houtz 91 – Dick Schrieber 90 – Beverly Schrieber 89 – Jan Tubbiola 88.

South Section Alternate Delegate – Kay Strothman 102.

South Section Youth Representative – Ashleigh Mathias 101.

Jeanne also said that if you have any 4-H business to discuss with Jeanne, please take care of it before December 14th. Jeanne will be on vacation until Jan. 1. Scott should be in the office until the week of the 20th. The office will be closed from Dec. 24th thru Jan. 2. The office will be open again on Jan. 3, 2011. Jeanne also said that she will be having a Treasurer’s Training in January.

A Junior/Teen Leadership Training Workshop will be on Dec. 14th from 7-9 p.m. Other Project Leader meetings will be held in January and February.

Old Business

Alex stated that the **budget** is being finalized. It will be reviewed at the January Executive Board Meeting and submitted at the January County Council Meeting for approval.

Club By-Laws are due March 1st to Jeanne. Please do not wait until February to get started. If you need samples, you can look at the State web-site www.ca4h.org, Administration tab, California 4-H Policies, Chapter 3: Affirmative Action and Civil Rights, section 9: Constitutions and Bylaws, click on Bylaws-4-H Unit Template. Any changes or additions to meet the needs of the unit may be made and must be approved by the County Staff and County Director prior to the approval for the Club. Your Club needs to approve them before you submit them to the County office, so plan accordingly for the time needed to get them approved.

All Star/ Ambassador – Emily has agreed to be the adult advisor. Alex will e-mail the applications to all of the clubs for All Star/Ambassador. These applications will be due by December 31, 2010. This gives you this next month of club meetings to get your teens signed up to serve. They must have their gold star or be receiving it this year.

County Achievement Night was held Tuesday, November 9, 7:00pm – It was a successful event. Our youth representatives, Natalie Lutz, Ashleigh Mathias, B. J. Bender and Tracy Rice did a great job with the guidance of Kay Strothman. If anyone in your club was not there to receive their pins or stars, they should have already gone back with a representative from your club or may be picked up tonight. Thanks to everyone for bringing donations of food for the outreach program and for attending the Awards Night.

New Business - None

Committee Reports

Fashion Revue Committee (preparing for the event, not making the clothes - girls and boys needed). The event will be held **Saturday, March 26, 2011**. The first meeting for the County Fashion Revue Project/Committee will be held on Tuesday evening, November 30, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. at the project leader's home (Michelle Kuester, 536 Rosarita Drive, Fullerton, CA 92835. Phone: 714/992-6831).

Food Fiesta Committee – Susan Yaros reported that the Food Fiesta is scheduled for **January 29, 2011**. The theme is 'Under the Sea' and will be held at Buena Park Knights of Columbus Hall at 8410 Kass Drive, Buena Park, CA. 90621 from 9 am-12 noon. This event is open to 4-H members enrolled in food projects. The entry fee is \$5.00 per member. Deadline to enter is Jan. 3rd. Forms are available to club representatives at tonight's meeting. Forms also can be downloaded at the oc4h.com website. We ask that each club participating help in the event. Any questions, call Sue at 714-323-0875 or e-mail at syaros@msn.com

Master Poultry – Tracy Rice reported that on December 4, they will be hosting 4-H youth activities in Victorville. The grand total funds raised for the Avian Bowl Trip was \$1900.00 allowing each member to receive \$475.00.

Avian Bowl Participants (Lauren Foy, Sea Jay Bates, B. J. Bender and Tracy Rice) put on a brief presentation at the County Council meeting tonight to describe their experience in Kentucky. This wonderful team won first place for our nation. **Congratulations!** Tracy Rice was the overall individual winner with the highest score of participants. **Great Job!**

Presentation Day Committee - The event is scheduled for **Saturday, March 5, 2011** at the Montessori on the Lake; meeting dates will be the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Montessori school. A poster will be up outside of the classroom, just like last year. Alex said that they really need representatives from every club to attend the meetings and volunteer for various jobs if you plan to participate this year. Representatives from FBS, LHH, MGG, Lake Forest and OABB are still needed. The next meeting is Dec. 1.

Youth Expo is scheduled for **Friday – Sunday, April 8-10, 2011** - committee meeting dates will all be Thursdays - January 27, February 24, March 24 - and we meet in the Memorial Gardens at the OC Fairgrounds. At the moment they do not know who will be sharing the event with us. It is not the Pet Expo and it is not the Marine Expo. Friday will be a school visiting day and Saturday and Sunday will be advertised for the general public. The theme will be “Barn to be Wild”. Camping applications and club responsibility forms are at the back of the room. When you complete the forms, put an **X** in the places where you are not going to enter so that Alex knows that you read and understand the forms. All Rabbit and Poultry forms should be brought to the fair. Estimated numbers of animals are needed by the January Youth Expo meeting. Orange Acres, Puppies to Partners and YLC clubs still need to send representatives to the Youth Expo meetings. There is a sign-up sheet in the back for people who have not come to the meetings.

Sectional/State Reports – Jeanne Lothridge, Ginny Houtz, Kay Strothman, Jan Tubbiola, Richard and Beverly Schrieber reported on their experience at the 4-H Leader’s Forum which was held at Asilomar in Pacific Grove, Ca. the first weekend in November. They had a great time and were all eager to share and tell about the various workshops attended and the great event.

Awards and Incentives – Kay Strothman said that Achievement Night was amazing. She still has pins and officer books to send back to the clubs.

Leader’s Banquet – Jan Tubbiola reported that she wanted to request new participation on the Leaders’ Banquet Committee. We have had the same people doing this job for many years, and these people have really enjoyed the meetings and the results of their planning. We feel that we have provided some fantastic speakers the past few years from all over the country. However, the participation has not matched the effort. We are requesting new blood on the committee. Although we have tried many attempts at a new venue and new times, we haven’t succeeded in getting the participation. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we are losing

valuable members on the committee. We have two requests, (1. New members on the committee 2. An idea to piggy-back another event.) Even though we feel it is important to recognize the efforts and talents of our leaders, only a core group attends. We felt they might attend if we have the recognition at an event that attracts the most people. We would like to know if it would be possible to have the leaders' recognition at the Youth Expo. This is up for discussion at this point.

TIC - The Sectional Teen Council puts on an event every year called **TIC (Teen Involvement Conference)** that is a 3 day event for youth age 13-19. It is a conference that is focused on Leadership and Citizenship skills. It is scheduled to be held **January 14-16, 2011** at Pathfinder Ranch. We have a \$50 scholarship from the Suzanne Guthrie Memorial Fund per applicant on a first come, first serve basis. 5 or 6 members have already said that they plan to attend. An e-mail has been sent from Alex to the clubs with information and sessions/workshops.

Registration Fee: *Early Bird*: Application postmarked by December 11, 2010. Registration Fee - \$110.00.

Deadline: Application postmarked between December 12, 2010 and January 7, 2011:

Registration Fee - \$120.00

Late Registration: Application postmarked after January 7, 2011 or handed to the check-in table at the conference: Registration Fee - \$150.00

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m. was made by Ashleigh Mathias, seconded by Te'a Rice seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted by

Beverly Schrieber, Secretary