

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING Minutes 6/23/2020 oc4hcountycouncil@gmail.com

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Attendance: Rita Jakel, Brian Montes, Sandy Jacobs, Beverly Schrieber, Melissa Sara, Allison Kari, Elizabeth Broadbent, Maddy Mittelstaedt, Heather Hernandez, Esperanza Reyes, Kelly Speakman

Opening- The meeting was called to order by President, Brian Montes, at 7:10 p.m

Pledge of Allegiance / 4-H Pledge: Maddy Mittelstaedt led the pledges.

Review Minutes: Rita Jakel & Brian Monte screen-shared the minutes from last month. A **motion** to approve the minutes as presented was made by Elizabeth Broadbent, seconded by Allison Kari and passed.

Reports & Business: Rita has been sending out information and talking to people about the credit card and the By-Laws. She talked to all the club leaders of the club leader meetings and we discussed it at the Executive Board meeting. The general consensus seems to be that it was a positive. Rita went ahead and wrote the credit card survey and submitted it for approval. There's been a lot of changes in the business office. There are new people who have to approve it. Someone forwarded it to them for me, but I haven't heard anything back. We still have time. We don't even open registration till July 1. Rita just today, sent another reminder asking, "Can you please approve my credit card survey." It usually takes them just a day. So I was surprised. But it should be fine. I sent you guys the screenshot of the t-shirt, so you can see what I had put on the t shirt. I just threw dollar sign on it, just to get things through. And then if we actually have a price at some point we can switch to the correct price if you can edit the survey, once they're approved. Brian asked, "So do we think they'll get it approved by July one? That's actually coming up pretty soon." Rita said "... I think so. Then what I would need to know is what you guys think is the best approach. I'm thinking we just have to do emails and website, but I'm creating an instructions page. Since we have that extra step. Now with the credit card payment, if people choose to do it. I want to make sure people have the link and everything to the survey to do that. I'm putting together a sheet like a fact sheet." Brian suggested to call it FAQ or something. Rita Jakel said that the website for ENROLLMENT for this year has a couple of the things ... that have been problematic..... if you're an adult, you have to click "yes I'm a volunteer" and things like that so it's clear when people start to sign up.-- the little things they have to watch out for.....We have that link on our website that says "join a club" connected and then I'll send an email to all the club leaders and then ...a mass email. You know the county wide notice will go on that. I don't know if you have any suggestions of how to get the word out. Besides those things. Brian suggested that's the best start so people will find it so as long as we're promoting it. And then we can also put it out in the Instagram feed as well that we can do your club enrollment. Are you counting that way as well. There was more discussion about how the credit cards were coming along. Rita said, .. Sandy's went through, somehow, but neither Melissa or Brian's went through. But we will roll this conversation over to the August meeting when hopefully we have a much bigger turnout. So what we want to do as we move into the next year is have a conversation about the committee's and see who would like to step up and share them. We will look for new volunteers to chair them, see who wants to be on the committees, we build these committees, no later than August, so that we can hit the ground running with the new year. Brian said that each of us could definitely encourage that when we come back in August, that we can get a good turnout. We will definitely push it. ... Let's plan on sending an email prior to the August meeting and I'll get the agenda out sooner so we can get it out like a week in advance and say what we're going to talk about and why we really, really, really need them there in August. Rita said that was when my question ...today... is what we can do proactively before August to notify people of what the needs are. Should I put something on our webpage ... once the bylaws are hopefully passed tonight? The organizational chart has all those committee positions and event chairs. Maybe we should generate a little mini description of each committee and what our needs are. Brian screen shared the committees and various people said that they would consider staying on or even being the chair. Rita will be sending new charts out soon.

Treasurer's Report: Melissa reported the following: May 2020 Treasurer Report - Checking: Beginning Balance \$41,483.31 - Ending Balance \$41,483.31 - Savings: Beginning Balance \$33,110.64 - Interest Earned \$0.56 - Ending Balance \$33,111.20. A **motion** to accept the treasurer's report was made by Maddy Mittelstaedt, seconded by Sandy Jacobs and passed.

Clubs - each meeting all clubs share what they are working on/have accomplished

Fountain Valley Cloverdales: Maddy Mittelstaedt reported that they are closing up for the summer and we're going to be starting in August. I definitely want to get a lot more members, since our club used to be pretty popular and we had a lot of members. Then we had a sudden dip in the past few years. So as president. I'm going to be promoting our club to as many people as I can. My personal favorite projects are Bath and Body DIY and hiking.

Fullerton Feeders, Breeders & Seeders: Elizabeth Broadbent shared that they had two virtual meetings. We had one in May. We had one in June, we have selected our boards for next year. We're working on our financials to get that done as soon as possible. And the horse team - In the middle of May we were sent an email from San Luis Obispo County for a virtual horse show. If you go to the website and seeing the pictures of the girls on the site. We did a virtual show and one member one rookie his first year and novices. You just haven't won three blues. So first you're a rookie. ARIA took first in showmanship, first in horsemanship and third and Hunter hack and she tied for high point. Olivia and rookie got third and Abby in rookie took fourth

in showmanship. So, out of the top four, we took three of the awards. We had one child in novice. She got third. So they did really well. So we're really excited. The parents pulled together, they all work together. I finally felt like the club had connected for the first time in a long time.....what they want to do next year and what projects. I don't have any two legged people in the project, I have lots of four legged in the projects.....I've got one really active mom and she's pushing the other parents to get involved and I think she signed up to volunteer with the camp, Mrs. Miller. We already had our end of year.....horse team has already been together last five weeks. The crochet club made a real pretty Afghan so all the club's projects have square. They made a beautiful historian book with the horses and all the projects and everything. I know you can't see it, but at least we have a record of what we did for this year. So I was really proud of them, projects and everything. I know you can't see it, but at least we have a record of what we did for this year. So I was really proud of them. They made the sign behind mewith barn rules. They hear me yelling all the rules all the time. They made up a sign so they can remember them all. I think at the moment for us, even though we had so much downtime, this year between the world events and everything else, I think we're in pretty good shape for once. When they've done the zoom meetings, these kids did Excel presentations. The first one, they did a scavenger hunt. So the first one back to the camera won and they really engage the members. Our meeting lasted for an hour and a half. When they gave their speeches for the nominations. The girls did in this last year. It's just phenomenal. That's what 4-H is all about. And it just brought great joy to me to see these things changed so much. It was all virtual.

Fullerton Hills: No Report

Jordan Jaguars : No Report

La Habra Hilltoppers: Brian Monte said that they had their elections and are all set to go for next year. They got all of their administrative stuff out of the way. So things for the Hilltoppers should be buttoning up and closing out and then should be ready to start in August as well.

Lake Forest Superstars: No Report

Mesa Goathill Gogetters: Allison Kari reported that she doesn't have much to add. We are still just wrapping up the end of the year, getting all of our paperwork done. Those that are doing record books are starting to work on those and get them all finished. We are starting to talk about next year, trying to get the leaders together and everyone to get a game plan together for next year.

Orange Acres Backbreakers: Melissa Sara reported And we don't really have any news right now. Not a lot to report from, you know, no responses from the clubs or anything else, or the members, we're wrapping up our fair projects or what were to be our projects and next year is kind of up in the air. We might not have a leader. We're not going to let it go under. We're just going to step back and reevaluate. We're just kind of on hold right now. Not bad, not good.

Orange Villa Buckaroos: Kelly Speakman said they had their last meeting in June and we selected a board and it looks like we're going to have at least one new member for next year, possibly two. We completed our environmental stewardship project and the kids shared highlights about that. And some are finished with our leadership project and community service project and some are finishing up this coming week but everyone is either done or very close and we're in the process of doing the paperwork, the end of the year paper.

Trabuco Trailblazers: No Report

Tri-Cities: Rita Jakel said that Heather Kline is slowing down as leader and Heather Hernandez is taking over.

Yorba Linda Cloverleaf : No Report

DSAOC Superkids: No Report

County 4-H Program Representative: Rita Jakel said: "We made it. The year is over. It was certainly a year of challenges and we have had the theme **Persevering Through Adversity** as our Virtualogy theme, and it certainly applies to much of our year but we proved 4-H grows here. We did everything we set out to do and accomplished a lot, despite our circumstances." She talked about and showed slides on the June Update --- Enrollments, 4-H Online & Cleanup --- Enrollment Statistics, June 23, 2020 --- Youth Snapshot, June 23, 2020 --- End of year tasks to complete --- 4-H Debit Card Pilot Program --- Virtual Summer Camps are Coming! --- Contest Website picture --- Getting Ready for PY 2020-2021 ---County T-Shirt for 2020-2021 --- Wishing you a wonderful summer. To close, Rita said, :All right, then that's it. Just wishing you a great summer and enjoy the no meetings in July..... have fun, despite all the restrictions, mask wearing and everything and start thinking about club activities for late July, early August and watch updates and meeting in newsletters and always, if you need any help with anything email or phone. That's it for me."

Business Updates County By-Laws – Final draft in circulation for review. A county wide vote is scheduled for the June meeting. Rita said that we had 5 votes. They were all positive. A **motion** to accept the bylaws, the Constitution and the orgizational chart as they were presented on our Orange County website was made by Sandy Jacobs, seconded by Melissa Sara and passed. Brian said - we have newly updated bylaws for the county. Now we can work on club bylaws in year two. Excellent. All right, at least we could finish the year knowing we got that done. Yes. All right, now I'll open it up for anybody else who has anything else they wanted to discuss or bring up tonight." Brian also said - "All right, well, it's been a challenging year but I think we've definitely made some progress we adapted, we were resilient. You know, I just thank you everybody for your hard work this year and continuing to put forth, despite all the challenges we had so, I think next year will be even a better year depending on how we navigate the restrictions that we face. So, looking forward to it."

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Beverly Schrieber