Minutes

4-H Community Leader/Council Meeting March 22, 2017

Terry Gage called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Secretary Minutes: Sandy Cohen made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Kathryn Guthrie seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Sandy Cohen presented the council summary statement and monthly report. The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented. Sandy Cohen and Dawn Heywood presented a summary of the results from the peer review.

Old Business:

<u>Gold Country Fairgrounds</u>: Don Ales, CEO, Gold Country Fairgrounds gave a presentation on current and future projects and programs at the fairgrounds. He fielded questions from Council members and discussed the new fee structure. He emphasized his interest in creating a partnership between Gold Country Fairgrounds and Placer County 4-H to create a plan to cover rental costs.

<u>Record Books</u>: Terry Gage reminded us that that the new evaluation forms need to be used this year. She suggested providing a copy of the new form and associated point system to all members so that they would know what to expect.

<u>Big Day of Giving</u>: Catherine Cowles gave council an overview of all the work Lleyton Rutz has put into the past two county-wide fundraising events, Big Day of Giving and Giving Tuesday and emphasized that he has been working as a committee of one with limited direction from the 4-H office. Council gave Lleyton Rutz a round of applause and great thanks for all his hard work. Lleyton Rutz then presented a plan of the county-wide fundraising plans moving forward. Specifically, he recommended we start planning for the next Giving Tuesday event and look for a youth partner. He requested council support for the new plan and everyone agreed.

<u>Award Presentation</u>: Roger Ingram presented Lleyton Rutz with two volunteer service awards. Congratulations to Lleyton Rutz.

<u>Animal Youth Fair</u>: Terry Gage gave an overview of what species are still needed and what information to expect next. Laura Chambers needs a letter to facilite her donation requests. Council decided to hold the event at the Gold Country Fairgrounds and we will discuss other venues for countywide events at a later meeting.

New Business:

New 4-H Community Education Specialist: Roger Ingram announced that Shannon Kane has been selected for the Specialist position and will start on April 3, 2017.

<u>Fundraising Committee</u>: Roger Ingram and Terry Gage discussed the formation of this committee. One of the items the committee will be tasked to review and address is a review of all countywide events held at Gold Country Fairgrounds and how to cover funds for rental fees, etc. for these events.

<u>Sectional Presentation Day</u>: Terry Gage announced the need for two more evaulators. Lara Lopez volunteered to arrange coverage.

<u>Bi-County Fashion Review</u>: Roger Ingram reminded everyone that this event is coming up on April 22, 2017 and that the registration deadline is April 17, 2017.

<u>Hulbert and Council Scholarship Applications</u>: Roger Ingram announced that the applications are online and the application deadline is May 1, 2017. Please encourage the high schoolers in your club to apply. Lara Lopez announced that the Placer County Farmers Bureau also has scholarship opportunities.

4-H Member and Volunteer Enrollment Fees: Roger Ingram announced that the fees for the 2017-18 program year, starting July 1, 2017 will be \$46 for youth and \$16 for adult volunteers. He suggested that the fundraising committee also include this as a priority item, specifically to have funds available for assistance with covering fees. Dena Taylor, Laura Chambers and Sandy Cohen volunteered to serve on the fundraising committee.

<u>End of Year Pins</u>: Terry Gage reminded us that these will be designated by age, not number of years in 4-H. She recommended letting your club members know about this upcoming change.

Ethics Training Update: Roger Ingram announced the training will be held on April 18, 2017 at 6:30 at the Placer County Fairgrounds and to let members know. He also discussed the upcoming change to an online ethics training system.

<u>Fair Updates</u>: Lee Bastien provided an update on renovations and other fair activities. He also announced that the Placer County Board of Supervisors agreed to sign with Placer Valley Tourism to run the fairgrounds. The agreement is effective July 1, 2017.

<u>Sign-ups for Johnson Hall (Still Exhibits) at Fairs</u>: Terry Gage passed around a sign-up sheet for clubs to sign up to cover Johnson Hall during the Placer County Fair.

<u>Nominating Committee</u>: Roger Ingram confirmed that the only council position that needs to be filled this year is President. All remaining officers (Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) agreed to serve one more year. Lara Lopez volunteered to head up this committee.

<u>All-Stars Talent Show</u>: Lara Lopez announced, on behalf of Leila Doty, that the All-Starts are hosting a talent show on April 8, 2017. She encouraged everyone to get the word out both to attend and participate.

Announcements:

Lara Lopez announced the upcoming Livestock Advisory Meeting on March 30, 2017 at 6:30 at the Heritage Building, Gold Country Fairgrounds

Terry Gage reviewed upcoming events.

Lee Bastien announced he needs help with the small animal barn for the Placer County Fair.

Dawn Heywood made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kathryn Guthrie seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.