

Monterey County 4-H Task Force

Meeting recap: Oct 5, 2023

Approved Task Force: Dirk Giannini, Kristen McIntyre, Chrissy Hayes, Crystal Rubbo, Terri Storelli, Aaron Thornton, Melissa Ortner

Other attendees & Staff: Alicia Crespo, Nicole Hostert, Gemma Miner, Lynn Schmidt-McQuitty, Ana Torres, Lorin Lurz

-Gemma Miner was introduced and gave a presentation on other management methods and the criteria to meet them. Her presentation was later emailed to all task force members for review.

- This is currently a document that needs to be shared with each club's parent volunteers to promote transparency

-The task force expressed concern over the sudden dismissal of Steve McMurtrie who was nominated and voted in as President

-The lack of volunteerism throughout the state was highlighted, along with concerns about how to recruit others in the community to join the Monterey County 4-H county council. This seems to be an ongoing issue for all county's.

-It was noted that our county funds would remain in our control with any of the presented management methods, as they are currently under the council format.

- Proposed to alter this South County designated Council meeting on October 17th at the Ag Commissioner's office in Salinas for ability of attendance.

- **Action Item**: Nominate 3 adult volunteers to fill the Executive Committee at the October meeting. [President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Historian]

- Nominate Senior Youth from several clubs to meet bylaw requirements in the future. We need adult volunteers stabilized in their positions to lead the youth

- Follow current bylaws and follow protocol for approval process of candidates including an Interview by the 4-H YDP staff and 4-H Regional Coordinator later in October.

- Complete Nomination process at November meeting to meet quorum requirements.

- The Task Force to continue to explore other management methods while serving the County Council model through June 2024 to see what is best for our Monterey 4-H Community moving forward

-suggestion: Task force participants would like to be notified when applicants are received to also perform due diligence in said nomination / voting