

## COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES FOR AUGUST 15, 2013

The meeting was called to order on August 15, 2013 at 7:07 by President Mindy Gillen. In attendance were Brian Charles and Cassidy White from Boulder Creek, Mindy Gillen and Madison Gillen of Scotts Valley, Robin Turnquist of La Selva Beach, Stephanie Hedgpeth-Lopez of Corralitos, and Cindy Laurin of Felton 4-H. The flag salute and pledge were led by Cassidy White of Boulder Creek 4-H.

There were no additions to the agenda.

Mindy Gillen made note that items were added to the agenda earlier than usual to be sure clubs had plenty of time to get information out. Brian Charles agreed it was a good idea. One item was stricken (county record books.)

**Correspondences:** There was one correspondence from Emily Lopez of Corralitos, thanking the council for funding her SLC attendance and for the scholarship she was awarded on Awards Day.

**Approval of Minutes:** There were no minutes from the June meeting at this time. Mindy Gillen said she would send them out via email for review once they were received. Brian asked if we should do an email vote. It was decided they will be approved at the next meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's report was submitted via email from Rebekah Crill, and read by Robin Turnquist. She reported that all information from past year (2012-2013) was recently entered. A few discrepancies from the past years are being cleared up. She will submit a full report and budget for the next council meeting. There are outstanding checks from a few years ago. Club reps were asked to check on these checks. Current balances are as follows: General Checking \$1,087.11; General Savings \$3,567.89; Leadership (including personal as well as general leadership accounts \$13,434.38; Monday Market Savings \$67,000.55.

The treasurer's report was approved as read.

**Leadership report:** There was no leadership team report as they will not be meeting until next month. Brian Charles asked for a description of the group for the benefit of Cassidy White. Madison Gillen and Robin Turnquist explained the project/group and what they do, including planning events, raising funds to attend conferences, and attend conferences.

Mindy Gillen suggested doing an introduction meeting to get new teens involved. Robin Turnquist will suggest it to the leadership group to plan for after the fair.

### **Club reports**

Boulder Creek-The club's sheep project hosted a BBQ for the club, where there was "great food in a nice setting," and as a group they filled out their fair applications. This Sunday they will hold a carwash fundraiser to support sheep project (to purchase shears) It will take place from 9:30-3:00 on August 18 at Mountain Mechanics in Boulder Creek. The first meeting with new club president went well. Enrollment has been increasing. They marched in the Boulder Creek 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, which they followed with a party at the president's house. They are working on adding new projects.

Corralitos- Two members participated in the Watsonville July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. At their last meeting, they discussed fair entries, the booth, code of conduct at the fair, and shifts. They purchased a new projector and used it to put up the agenda. They plan on having a movie night in October.

They had their first wave of project sign-ups (non animals) adding rocketry and community service.

Scotts Valley -has not started up again since the summer. There is an officer meeting next week. They did participate in the Scotts Valley 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. They have swine project that is getting ready for the

fair, and they are hoping to start more projects, such as beginning and intermediate sewing. Hoping to start some others. And an intermediate sewing. Enrollment has been growing.

La Selva Beach.- will be working on the fair. The club will be closing on Oct. 1 due to declining enrollment. There will be items available at next council meeting to sell or distribute .

Felton – They have new club leaders working on starting the new year.

Brian Charles asked about the future of 4-h which led to a discussion on ways to promote 4-H. Mindy Gillen asked if we could make a request for the county to pay for some signs to post in the county for the purposes of promoting 4-H. The consensus was that this was a good idea, so Mindy will look into the costs. Also discussed were different ideas on how to increase membership throughout the county. Mindy discussed many of the ideas Scotts Valley had done including an invite a friend event and a spaghetti feed. It was discussed that we should look into doing either a whole county or smaller north, south, and central county recruiting events.

**Committee Reports-** There is a sign up for committees that each club is asked to take back to their club. add the historian committee? . New committees listed are council business planning and a Shooting Sports Committee (Rifles). There were no other committee reports.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Summer Camp- 63 kids and 21 adults attended, with 31 new campers Classes went well, and a new Air Rifle class was well received, for members over 9 years of age. 8 donated rifles were used to teach the class.

Clover Deli-Food Safety Training is September 9 at 2 pm at the Codiga Building. Cleaning day is the week before if anyone is interested in helping. It will take place between 10 and 3 on August 24 and 25, and August 31 and September 1. Robin Turnquist requested help with the bleaching. It was brought up the 9<sup>th</sup> is a Monday. It was determined this was an error on the agenda and the training day should be listed as September 8. A reminder was put out that at least one adult in the booth needs to have attended the training course. Youth are invited to attend as well. Another reminder to clubs is they get \$30 for each complete shift. The shopping will take place on September 8. This year a special 100th anniversary shake will be offered. The special mint chip milkshake, complete with whipped cream and sprinkles will be available this year. There will also be outstanding employee of the shift. Robin and Randy Turnquist will observe each shift and present the outstanding worker from each shift a pin. They will be able to record this award in their record books as well. (The ideas were contributed by Benjamin Lopez of Corralitos 4-H)

### **New Business:**

Vice President- Council is still in need of a person to fill this position.

Council Appointment of Sectional Rep- A motion was made by Brian Charles to continue Randy and Robin Turnquists appointments as reps. The motion was seconded by Cindy Laurin. There was no discussion and they were unanimously approved

Santa Cruz County Fair -Work days for Fair booth are August 24, 25, 31, and September 1 and 7.

Council members asked if Felton needed assistance. It was explained by members of council how fair booth work days work, and Boulder Creek and Scotts Valley offered assistance if needed.

Entry forms and due dates were also discussed, and members should check for more fair information online.

San Benito County fair-Only Corralitos 4-H appears to have entries at this fair.

Emerald star applications- due October 1<sup>st</sup> to the county office;

National 4-h week is Oct 6-12. Remind your members to wear your 4-H “gear “. Mindy Gillen talked about how Scotts Valley asks members to send a picture of themselves in public in 4-H gear, representing and talking about 4-h, where they bring photos to the next meeting to display and get credit in their record books. Brian Charles talked about having an event, like last years, and wanted to know if anything specific was planned for this year. Clubs will need to request that information from Stephanie Fontana. County game day –Mindy Gillen wanted to discuss it, as it was not on the calendar. Robin Turnquist said it is generally a teen leadership project Mindy would like to see date set sooner to get maximum participation. Stephanie Hedgpeth-Lopez shared that members from Corralitos were disappointed on the years Bingo wasn’t included. Madison Gillen said she felt BINGO was very popular.

Madison Gillen also suggested more county fun days. Brian Charles agreed and said Boulder Creek will be hosting another Glow in the Dark Soccer. Stephanie Hedgpeth-Lopez suggested it be a little later or earlier in the year so as not to conflict with graduations.

State Record Books-Oct 17 is when state record books are due. Stephanie Fontana will contact those eligible. Santa Cruz will need to send a judge

LCORT funding applications are due November 1. Mindy Gillen reminded adults to please remind eligible members.

### **Announcements**

Archery certification training will be held at the Corralitos Community Center on February 1 from 9-5 and February 2 from 9-12. Cost is \$35. Adults and teens only. Teens do not receive teaching certificates, but they get credit in record books for attending and it can help them be junior/teen leaders. On Aug 18 between 11-3 there is a BBQ fundraiser at a Bamboo Gardens event. Buy a burger or salmon burger to help All-Stars raise money. Lost and found from camp is going to Goodwill- Call Robin Turnquist if you are missing items from camp. Robin Turnquist had leftover

Flash lights from camp to sell for \$1

Brian Charles made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Madison Gillen. Meeting was adjourned at 8:49pm.