

Ventura County 4-H Council
June 27, 2018 - General Meeting
Ventura County Cooperative Extension Office Conference Room

- 1) Heather called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. with Sue Poland recording.

In attendance were:

Jenean Bass, Council Corresponding Secretary
Leslie Bellmore, Council Treasurer
Heidi Marshall, Council Member at Large
Sue Poland, Council Secretary, recording
Heather Wray, Council President
Valerie Zeko, Highly Esteemed Staff

Jackie Larson
Maranda McLemore
Amylynn Robinson
Julie Salomonson
Ana Sorensen, youth
Edith Sorensen

Flag salute and 4-H pledges were led by Anna Sorensen.

- 2) **Minutes** from May 30, 2018, meeting were distributed and reviewed. Heather submitted a correction to clarify that only Large Livestock showmanship events get belt buckles.

Motion to approve the corrected minutes from the May meeting (Sue, Edith) passed unanimously.

- 3) **Treasurers Report**

- Leslie shared May's report showing Council with \$21,299.41 Available to Council, \$12,925.80 Committed, and \$8,373.61 in Discretionary Funds. PDC funds appear to be in good shape.
- Question was raised about the \$36 available in the SLC Chaperone sub account. Last year's chaperone fee came as a surprise to the Council and had not been budgeted for. When the bill was received, it was paid out of this year's SLC Chaperone budgeted funds instead of last year's. Expenses for 2018-19 SLC Chaperone above \$36 will come out of general funds.
- Edith and Chelle Smith have volunteered to serve on the Audit Committee. We are seeking one more volunteer.

- 4) **Correspondence Report:** Jenean sent 8 thank you notes to the Friends of 4-H donors. Heather followed up with an explanation of the Friends of 4-H letter-writing fundraising campaign.

- 5) **Committee Reports:**

- a) **4-H Office Report** – Right now, Valerie is working on the next issue of Clover Lines. Thank you, Valerie, for all you do.

- b) **Equine PDC:** Sue shared that the Equine Gymkhana event was a great success. Our 4-H members did very well.
- c) **Skills PDC:**
- Heidi sent out Record Book information to Club Leaders and Record Book Specialists. Record Books are due 8/24 to the County. She is seeking volunteers to help review them.
 - Our Ventura County kids did very well at State Field Day, Presentation Day and Fashion Revue. Discussion ensued regarding the difficulty in getting information about these events and their winners. Some of our kids who did well at these events will be presenting at the State Fair in Sacramento.
- d) **Kaleidoscope:**
- The Holiday Rock, Paper, Scissors event has been rescheduled – it will be November 17.
 - The Rock, Paper, Scissors organizing team had a very productive kick-off meeting. Their next meeting will be September 5 at 7:00. Email Kitty for details (AvianAddict@hotmail.com)
- e) **Southern Area - Edith:**
- There are lots of personnel changes coming in the Southern Area committee and the State Management Board.
 - Southern Area Field Day was well attended, but they really needed more judges.
 - State Field Day was held June 2, which made it tough to get student volunteers (conflicts with finals, graduations, etc.) For 2019, they're considering adjusting dates for this event.
 - Animal Science Field Day is a state event hosted at Mt. SAC by the Southern Area Committee. It will be on September 22, and will include Ag Department teachers and professors offering teaching sessions and livestock clinics: swine, equine, bugs, feed, fitting clinics, and more. A veterinary school will also be bringing prepared slides for the kids to examine. The event is free. It will include a Silent Auction, lots to learn and do, and lots of fun!
 - Southern Area is thinking about doing a marine biology camp next year.
 - Thank you, Edith, for volunteering to serve another term as our adult representative to the Southern Area Committee!
- 6) **Old Business:**
- a) **PDC Chairs:** Rachel McClanahan was officially appointed to Chair the Consumer Science PDC. AmyLynn Robinson was officially appointed to Chair the Small Animal PDC. Thank you, ladies, for volunteering!
- b) **County Ambassadors:** The program should be up and running January 1, but we are still awaiting the final version of the manual from State.
- c) **Ventura County Fair:**

- Thank you, Kitty, for volunteering to lead a 4-H Avian Knowledge Bowl. Sue has emailed Carole Butler and Gabi Billington about swine and rabbit Knowledge Bowl events, and will follow up with phone calls.
- Question: When is the 4-H Awards Ceremony? 8/12 at 1:00
- Question: How about re-enrollment? Kids must be re-enrolled by July 27 to participate in Fair.
- Question: Have we heard anything about catching the Rodeo Flag this year? Not yet...

7) **New Business:**

- a) **Southern Area Youth Rep:** Anna Sorensen is out youth rep this year – congratulations, Anna!
- b) **Emerald Star Committee:** We are seeking volunteers to help this committee. Edith volunteered. If others don't step up, the Board will fill in. It's a great way to get introduced to the process...

8) **Announcements**

- a) Julie shared that 14 Ventura County kids went to the LA County 4-H Camp at Camp Sealy at Crestline. It was a great camp – and only \$325 for the week...
- b) January's Leadership Camp also had great feedback.

9) **Meeting adjourned by Heather at 8:15**