

LAKE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MINUTES
May 23, 2011
Lower Lake High School Library, Lower Lake, CA

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Val Schweifler, President

Voting Members:

Peggy Alexander – Blue Heron
Asia Jones – Blue Heron
Val Schweifler – President
Jill Crane – Scotts Valley
Karen Hayes – C&L
Lisa Illg – Council Vice President
Katherine Blyleven – Council Secretary
Tyler Nolan – C&L
Katy Evans – Anderson Marsh
Carey Hayes – Kelseyville
Gina Clark - Kelseyville
Grace Nowak – Cole Creek
Victoria Hayes – C&L
Kylie Hill – Big Valley
Cyndi Hill – Big Valley

Non-Voting Members:

Nicole Gentry – UC Staff
Julie Frazell – UC Staff
Joanna Parker – Anderson Marsh
D. Parker – Anderson Marsh
Jami Henry – Blue Heron

Asia Jones led the flag Salute and Victoria Hayes led the 4-H Pledge

Welcome Guest(s)

Peggy Alexander introduced Jami Henry with the Blue Heron Club.

Adopt Agenda

Julie added announcements under Office Reports.
Fair Board Update will be given by Jill.
Grace made motion and Victoria seconded to accept the agenda as modified; motion carried.

Adopt Minutes

Karen made motion and Cyndi Hill seconded to accept the minutes as presented; motion carried.

Correspondences

None.

Treasures Report

Grace gave the treasures report.
Total in accounts \$30,970.57 Total Restricted \$ 19,539.38
Total Funds Available to Council \$11,431.19

Guest Speaker

None.

Club Reports: See handout

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ALL STAR & EMERALD STAR REPORTS:

All Star

Victoria Hayes – reported that she is working with the Upper Lake club doing the beginning 4H proficiency. There are approximately 31 members and almost all have completed their proficiency. There is one more planned meeting and the members will be getting their pins.

Asia Jones – Presented her All Star project. (1) Doing a quiz bowl for the livestock expo. This would consist of making a wheel to spin and having species and category questions. This can be done as teams or individuals. There would be an early bird game (before the expo begins) for Cloverbuds with basic questions. (2) Create a power point for all the clubs and the county office explaining what the stars and stripes on the hats stand for and why 4H has them.

Lisa made motion and Katy seconded to accept Asia's All Star contract; motion carried.

Emerald Star

Joanna Parker – gave her final project report. She received a letter from Peggy Alexander in regard to her 2011 Emerald Star Project – “Interview Contest”, in which Peggy read aloud. Joanna wrote a project summary that included resources and opinion. She said she believed the project was a success and there were no major problems. There were ten members that participated in the interview contest. She is considering doing this again as a workshop at the WHY Conference and at the fling next year. Joanna passed around her final report for review.

Tyler Nolan – reported that he is working with the Upper Lake club doing level I proficiency, beginning leadership. Tyler missed the last meeting due to being out of town. He will be finishing up at their next meeting and will bring his report to the next council meeting.

CITIZENSHIP REPORT:

Victoria reported that she went to an orientation and received a workbook to fill out before the trip. She is preparing for the trip and is working on fundraising.

Tyler reported that he and Victoria will be leaving for their trip on July 10th.

State Ambassador:

Bryce was not present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Clubs' reviews of the draft Parent & Member Expectation form due at Council: discussion

Katy introduced Jill and Lisa as committee members and Peggy as the proofreader. Katy reported that minor changes were made to comply with 4H policy and no major changes have occurred. The following changes occurred:

- “Dues” was changed to “Fees”
- The statement regarding home schooled members was put back into the document for policy purposes.
- The member fee for next year will be \$25 not \$20 as currently on the form.

There was general discussion regarding the member age policy and home schooled members. Katy reported that the major changes between the old document and the current proposed document include:

- Having one enrollment date (November 30th) regardless of member status (i.e. returning, new, etc) – It was discussed that this would mean that members would not have to attend club meetings until December. It was then advised and there was discussion of having a statement to the effect “The program year begins September and these meetings count towards attendance.”
- The member enrollment fee will be \$25 next year – this was a recent update.

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- Awards
 - To receive a pin & stripe – the member must have 80% attendance and complete one project and no record book is required.
 - Cloverbud proficiencies need to be addressed – a Cloverbud must complete a Cloverbud PDR.
- A presentation for fair is required and must be given at the project level or above.
- Participating in the interview contest would count as a presentation/public speaking.

Julie reported that the following changes need to occur:

- “Livestock” needs to be replaced with “animal”
- Under the Fees to enroll in the Lake County 4H Program section, change “member” to “family”
- Projects have to be under the supervision of an appointed 4H volunteer - policy that needs to be put back into the document.
- Under the Parent Responsibilities section active parental support needs to be written as active family support or parental/guardian support.

Julie recommended changing the Presentation Requirement to Public Speaking Requirement.

Katy reported that the committee will be reviewing the All Star and Emerald Star forms next.

Clubs’ review of Cross Clubbing forms

Julie reported that the forms were released by the State to be used as a template. Peggy reported that she viewed the form as being useful for an older member going away to school. The I&R committee will report back.

REPORTS:

4H/Kiwanis Breakfast 2011

Peggy reported that she sent out a reminder that work schedules are to be in the 4H office by this Wednesday. Clubs are responsible for contacting their members for shift reminders. Val reported that if necessary, money from ticket sales can be turned at the event. However, if the community leader doesn’t have all the tickets and money then they will need to wait and turn it in to the office. Katy reported that members from her club sold tickets last Friday at Rays and IGA.

I & R Committee

Katy reported that the I&R committee is considering changing the 4H year to July 1st to June 30th. Record books would be due August 1st – same time as when fair forms are usually turned in. This information should be taken back to the clubs and discussed among the clubs. This item will be put under new business at the next council meeting.

Quality Assurance Training

Katy reported that there was a quality assurance training held in Ukiah on the 12th. There will be another training offered tomorrow from 4:30pm to 6:00pm at the Lower Lake High School Library. This training is tier III and is good for five years. The next available training will be February 4, 2012 at the Ukiah Fairgrounds.

Market Steer Committee

Jill reported that they are currently \$40 ahead. The hoof trims will be \$20 and they are still looking for donations.

Barn Tours for 2012 Fair

Val reported that she spoke with Mrs. Hyatt with the Upper Lake Schools. Mary Jane will not have her petting zoo there this year. The event will take place Friday morning. A chairperson is needed to organize and coordinate the event. Peggy will speak to Bonnie Seevers about possibly chairing this event.

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St. Judes Walk

Katy reported that she has more pledge forms. There will be a donation jar set up at the pancake breakfast – pending approval from the Kiwanis.

Starbucks Partnership Update

Julie reported that she is coordinating with Ann Gregory. The next community service event will be September 25th – possibly a cleanup at Lake Mendocino.

Nomination Committee

Karen reported the following candidates:

Treasure – Victoria Hayes and Grace Nowak

President – Peggy Alexander and Karen Hayes

The following will remain:

Vice President – Lisa Illg (1 year remaining)

Secretary – Katherine Blyleven (re-nominated)

Fair Food Booth – Council/County-wide Fundraiser

The committee consists of D Parker, Val and Gina. D will ask other club leaders to volunteer.

Office Request to Purchase

Julie reported that DVD's are being re-ordered to update the library. There was a general consensus to purchase DVD's to update the library.

There is a plant learning lab available. Lisa made motion and Gina seconded to buy the plant curriculum; motion carried.

President's Report:

Val reported on the North Section letter and that there has been discussion regarding starting a new section. Julie reported that the letter was written by Mendocino County with the intention to separate from the North Section Council. Council needs to decide if they want to be a part of the North Section. Val said she would like to talk with Mendocino County about creating a formal section and breaking away from North Section.

Office Report:

State 4H member Fee increased – did not increase volunteer fee

\$25.00/member for the 4H year.

Fund raising form when not already budgeted

Have a form to fill out for fundraising events if they are not already on the budget.

Club's need copies of their checks from their banks

This is required by state policy – work with your banks.

Summer Camp Update

Enrollment is closed. There are approximately 207 people and the final plans are being wrapped up.

Counselor fees are due. All male chaperone vacancies have been filled.

Why Conference 2011 WHY Conference - September 22- 25th at Masonite Navarro

Forms are available for anyone giving a presentation.

5 Year Plan – table until October

Julie's Announcements:

- 1) Equine Herpes outbreak – The 4H horse program, any events that include horses have been cancelled. Katy reported that there a meeting this Thursday at the Woodland senior center to address this outbreak and answer questions.
- 2) There has been a request from Meadow Wood nursing home. Lori Correia - activities director at Meadow Wood Nursing Center would like a few 4-H animals for their special event day. June 26th, either between 10-11am or 2:30-3:30pm. Rabbits, goats, guinea pigs, chickens, etc. About a total of 4-5 animals, they

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will be outside on a lawn for the residents to view/pet. They would be willing to change the date if needed. Please see the email Julie sent out on 5/23/11 titled 4-H Help requested.

- 3) Arron Shupe would like 4-H to participate in a "Power to the Youth" event June 11th 10am-6pm at Austin Park. This could be an information booth or a fund raiser booth. Please see the email Julie sent out on 5/23/11 titled 4-H Help requested.
- 4) Peggy announced that on June 4th, People Services is having their annual Chicken Q at the fairgrounds. Looking for 4H members to volunteer to serve food and clean tables. Peggy is looking for seven members plus one adult per shift. Anyone interested should contact Peggy by Friday.

Fair Board

Nothing to report.

JLAC

Nothing to report.

Council Voting Members – Emerald Star discussion and vote

Peggy made motion and Katy seconded to accept Joanna's Emerald Star, no discussion; motion carried.

Next Council meeting: June 27, 2011 at the 4H Office – Lakeport.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:39p.m.

Announcements:

5/28/11 4H/Kiwanis Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

6/4/11 St. Jude Walk – Upper Lake Wild West days

6/17-21 California Focus

6/19-24 Summer Camp – teen staff June 19-24,
Campers and chaperones June 20-24, 2011

6/26-7/4 Washington Focus #1:

Road to Democracy - June 26- July 4, 2011

Heritage Trail 1 – June 26 – July 2, 2011

7/10-7/19 Washington Focus #2

Global Journey - July 10 – 19, 2011

Heritage Trail II – July 10-16, 2011

8/31-9/4/11 Fair

9/22-9/25 WHY Conference-Camp Navarro

9/25/2011 Starbucks Partnering

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Blyleven

Council Secretary