

Lake County 4-H Council Minutes
Kelseyville High School Library
May 26, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

Voting Members: (✓ if present)

Lisa Illg – Past President
 Peggy Alexander – Council President
 Lisa Prather – Secretary
 Karen Hayes – C&L/Vice President
 Val Schweifler – Council Treasurer
 Anderson Marsh – Katy Evans – Adult, Erin Evans – Youth
 Big Valley – Chris Lynch – Adult
 Blue Heron – Peggy Alexander – Adult, Emily Prather – Youth
 Cobb Mt. – Tamsen Nash – Adult
 Cole Creek – Lisa Illg, Cheri Farrell - alt, Neva Gaskell- alt - Adults; Erica Illg, Emma Farrell,
Wyatt Gaskell - Youth
 Middletown- Karen Jones - Adult
 Scotts Valley – Jill Crane, Amber McIntire, Katherine Blyleven – Adults
 Upper Lake – Christina Birge – Adult, Erica Boomer – Adult, Megan Franco - Youth

Non-Voting Members:

Julie Frazell – UC Staff
 Nicole Gentry - UC Staff

Meeting called to order @ 6:40 by Peggy Alexander, President

Flag Salute: Ethan Jones 4-H Pledge Erin Evans

Welcome Guest(s): None

Guest Speaker: None

Adopt Agenda M/S Chris Lynch/Ethan Jones - Motion carried

Adopt Minutes M/S Katy Evans/Val Schweifler - Motion carried

Correspondence: Lassen County newsletter about WHY Conference, Dates. Morgan Hayes sent in a nice thank you note for her Emerald Star “Star”.

Treasurer’s Report: (Val Schweifler) Total Restricted: \$26,452.11 & \$14,590.24 available for Council.

Club Reports: Limited to pre-composed see attached page.

All Stars: Wyatt Gaskel; Ethan Jones, Erica Illg

- Ethan has read through and made changes to the skits where needed to fit the 4-H program. Table of Contents and Name Games are done. Going to print digital copies soon.

Emerald Stars: Wyatt and Noah McCollian, Blake Schuster and Sophie Evans & Grace Tucker

- Blake Schuster – Letter of update attached.
- Sophie Evans and Grace Tucker are working on their written request of extension.

EC Decision Summary & Report:

- EC- Executive Committee –The state has reviewed our bylaws and the result is that we are changing the name from Executive Council to **Executive Committee** as per the bylaws.

- Pancake Breakfast- 837 people served, not counting children under 5. Many members were in force early on and the later in the day fewer members were there to help out. Posters along the fence were hard to see and we may need to improve visibility. We plan to use them at other events too. Parents had positive interaction with the youth this year. Tamsen really liked how the older youth and teens partnered up with the younger members. Katy commented that she loved the kids who were so excited about how many people

“they” served. We had a discussion about the larger parties of people having to wait too long for their food. Maybe have 2/3 youth for that table or serving trays may help. Food for thought.

- Upcoming elections- Val and Karen secured nominations for the Treasury and the Vice President. Shirley Morse for Treasurer and Keith Wentworth for Vice President. There were no other nominations from the floor so nominations are closed and stands as read.
- Discussion about decreasing the number of council meetings to a minimum of 5, as stated in our bylaws, and delegating responsibility for decisions to the Executive Committee. Discussion open- Katy Evans asked that the meetings be very “transparent.” Tamsen asked how we could boost club attendance and create buy-in. Peggy suggested a trial year of fewer meetings and agreed that the EC will provide a meeting summary after each session to help with transparency.
- There was a suggestion to draw committee assignments out of a hat in September to delegate responsibility to the clubs for the different county events. Chris Lynch said it will be nice to get more clubs involved. Val noticed how well it worked having two clubs work together on one event. There were some positives and concerns expressed about assigning clubs to take on the event planning. Peggy proposes that the EC can set up tentative calendar of dates, times and locations of the events.
- Emerald and All Stars are being requested by the EC to attend council meetings as the teen representative as a part of their duties to fulfill their contract obligations.

New/unfinished Business:

- Presentation of the Budget 2015-2016 was given by Val. See attached page.

Reports:

- Call for committee chairs/committee charge documents: (tabled)
- Celebrity Bagging (tabled)
- Pizza Night (tabled)
- Library Outreach and Fair registration workshops – Co-chairs: James Christensen & Peggy
- MN Exchange- Erin Evans came to Council with a letter requesting \$600.00 to help with the air fare to MN. Erin stated that the group has been fundraising by serving breakfast at the Keys and Lower Lake Days Parade. Anderson Marsh has donated \$500.00 to the group. The group will continue to fundraise. Val asked the cost of tickets. Erin said \$399.00 plus \$25.00 for bag check in. Katy went over more of the financials. See Erin’s letter for more.
- All Star process update– Karen Hayes has a meeting with James Christianson regarding the hoodie design.
- Ice Cream Social- Chris Lynch and Val will chair
- Fair Board- Katy reported that Carol Robertson resigned from the Fair Board with a formal letter. This leaves 2-3 openings. Fair books will be out 6/1/15 online. Online entry will be accepted at the time of the book release. Spring Fair is 6/12-14. 100 bales of hay will be donated by AG Unlimited for hay bale advertising of your club to come join us at the Lake County Fair. Hay Bale Entry forms are ready.
- JLSC- 6/25 Katy reported in addition to the general meeting the buyer mail outs will be stuffed, stamped and sealed.

Office Report: Julie

End of Year Club Reports- July 30 is the due date. All clubs have been contacted. If you plan to swap books with other clubs, please contact Julie with the date ASAP. Blue Heron-Cobb Mt. and Cole Creek will get together and exchange books.

Adding to Your 4-H Tool Box:

New Branding Toolkit- There are templates and logos all done on the 4-H state website. Julie gave us a demonstration on where things are located and how to navigate the site. Please refer to this Tool Box for 4-H logos.

Dates to Remember/Upcoming Events:

5/30 UC Davis 4-H Field Day 8am-6pm

6/25-29 Mendocino-Lake 4-H Summer Camp Navarro!!

6/22 election of VP and Treasure (Next Council)

6/12-14 Spring Fair

7/30 End of Year Club Reports due to County Office

9/1-6 Lake County District Fair

Next Council meeting: 6/22/15 Lake County 4-H Office 6:30pm Next EC meeting: 6/18/15

Adjourn Meeting @ 7:58 M/S Erin Evans/Chris Lynch - Motion carried x.