

LAKE COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes

November 29, 2010

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m., 883 Lakeport Blvd., Lakeport, CA 95453

Voting Members:

Peggy Alexander – Blue Heron
Asia Jones – Blue Heron
Toni Brown – Mt. Konocti
Jill Crane – Scotts Valley
Bryce Hayes – Ambassador
Cyndi Hill – Big Valley
Lisa Illg – Council Vice President
Val Schweifler – Council President
Katherine Blyleven – Council Secretary
Cindy Nolan – Cole Creek
Katy Evans – Anderson Marsh
Carey Hayes – Kelseyville
Gina Clark – Kelseyville
Tyler Nolan – C&L
Victoria Hayes – C&L
Karen Hayes – C&L

Non-Voting Members:

Julie Frazell – UC Staff
Mary Brown – Mt. Konocti
Leah Odom – Scotts Valley
Shea Odom – Scotts Valley
Lynn Freeman - Spring Valley
Cody Smith – Scotts Valley
Starr August – Upper Lake
Kelsey Carstensen – Kelseyville
Joanna Parker – Anderson Marsh
Grace Nowak – C&L

Tyler Nolan led the flag Salute and Victoria Hayes led the 4-H Pledge

Welcome Guest(s)

General introductions were made.

Agenda addition(s):

Joanna Parker (Anderson Marsh) to present Emerald Star
Julie – Upper Lake parent member exemption request
Correct agenda item: Excusive Board Decisions to read Executive Board Decisions

Adopt Agenda

Peggy made motion and Lisa seconded to approve the agenda with additions; motion carried.

Adopt Minutes

A correction was made to item: An amendment was made under item: State Leadership Update. The last word should be support not report.

Lisa made motion and Katy seconded to approve the amended minutes; motion carried.

Correspondences

Katherine read a Thank You note from the Evans children.

Treasures Report

Total in accounts \$40,735.36 Total Restricted \$ 24,431.72

Guest Speaker

None were present

ALL STAR & EMERALD STAR REPORTS:

All Star

Report tabled – Canaan was not present.

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Emerald Star

Kelsey Carstensen: turned in her final report for providing goat meat at the Junior Livestock buyer's lunch. Kelsey said from this project she learned to be open and expect changes. Toni made motion and Jill seconded to approve Kelsey's final report; motion carried.

Jocelyn and Joy Bennett read their final reports at the September Council Meeting.

Joanna Parker: Presented her Emerald Star project. She would like to have an interview workshop at the 4-H Spring Fling. 4-H members would come prepared with a resume and cover letter and undergo an interview for one of the three available jobs/options. Joanna said she would follow the 4-H Manual and outreach would include writing a summary to include in the 4-H 411 newsletter, recruiting adults to help judge the cover letter, resume and interview.

CLUB REPORTS:

Upper Lake: Grace reported on preparing for the light parade, Halloween party, Christmas party, toy exchange and planning the tri tip fundraiser.

Kelseyville: Gina reported on the fundraiser at Lakeport Speedway, community service project at the church where club meetings are held, Kelseyville light parade, Veterans Day, project orientation and projects started.

Middletown: None

Scotts Valley: Cody reported on Veterans Day and cards, signups for projects, elections, and the next meeting is to be a Christmas party.

Mt. Konocti: Toni reported on the food drive and the next meeting will be in December.

Big Valley: Cyndi reported on the potluck, committee chair for light parade, clean up for Grange, sign ups to help serve and take orders at the Grange breakfast on the first Sunday.

Cole Creek: Grace reported on the potluck, business meeting, award ceremony moved to December, not participating in the light parade, organizing for Toys for Tots.

C&L: Victoria reported on the exchange students, Costa Rica exchange members can come to 4-H camp, financial info for traveling, decorating trees in the community, Veterans Day, exchange in Japan.

Blue Heron: Asia reported on Veterans Day, changing the club meetings to the Scotts Valley Women's Clubhouse, Holiday potluck and white elephant, leaders planned community service project.

Anderson Marsh: Joanna reported on hosting achievement night, Holiday bake sale to be held at Ray's on December 11th, surprise meeting watching Polar Express for younger members, Veterans Day cards.

Spring Valley: Lynn reported new officers, new projects include archery and outdoor adventure, volunteer for shooting sports training, ornament exchange at the next meeting, hot dog and bake sale fundraiser.

Cobb Mountain: None

State Ambassador:

Bryce reported that he was elected Treasurer of the state ambassador team. The first meeting was held on November 27th at the state 4-H office in Davis. The meeting covered business, the constitution, by laws and officers were elected. The education committee is looking for presenters for State Leadership Conference. The State Ambassadors planned a retreat with the Nevada State Ambassadors and other states were included as well. There is a group photo online. The theme for this year is, "Oh the places you'll go".

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bank Account Signors

Current signors to remain such include: John Irwin (Volunteer), Val Schweifler (President), and Jill Crane (Volunteer).

Signors to be added: Peggy Alexander (Volunteer), Lisa Illg (Vice President) and Katherine Blyleven (Secretary).

Current signors to be removed: Donna Yzaguirre and Sherry Falge.

Toni made motion and Cyndi seconded to approve the current bank account signors, additions and deletions; motion carried.

Approve 2010/2011 Council Budget

Carey made motion and Lisa seconded to approve the 2010/2011 Council Budget; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

County Incentives & Recognition (I&R) Committee

Julie explained that the I&R Committee needs a chair and two members to cover the Member/Parent expectations, All Star, Emerald Star, Record books, Presentation day, Proficiencies, Danny Wilds scholarship, Alexander scholarship, Achievement program and Leader of the year award. Katy Evans to serve as chair. Lisa Illg and Jill Crane to serve as the two members. Gina made motion and Cindy Nolan seconded to approve the I&R Committee, chair and members; motion carried.

New committee for Member/Parent expectations was tabled until the next council meeting.

Sectional Fees

Julie reported that we received a bill for dues which include an annual fee of \$25 plus \$0.25 per member. There is no explanation on where the money goes. Julie requested a sectional budget to review. Decision to pay sectional dues is tabled until the January meeting.

Washington Focus Trip – Global Journey (Washington, New York & Philadelphia)

Victoria Hayes reported on the contract: (1) Watching government in action, went to a Board of Supervisors meeting and job shadowed Jim Comstock in October. (2) Public speaking, went to Tipsters and Kiwanis.

Tyler Nolan reported on the contract: (1) Watching government in action, went to a Board of Supervisors meeting and job shadowed Rob Brown in October. (2) Public speaking, two public presentations to promote the 4H program including one presentation at the Farm Bureau.

Documents will be submitted and 1 thru 5 of the contract will be completed before the final review. The plan of action is to reconstruct the Upper Lake 4H club by training members on the officer positions.

Karen made motion and Grace seconded to approve the contracts; motion carried.

REPORTS:

Presentation Day – Upper Lake to host. Upper Lake will have the option to do food.

4-H Fling

Peggy handed out an overview of the last 2 years. The 2011 Fling needs stations and activities, and is a good opportunity for teen leaders. Need volunteers for set up, take down and awards. Peggy is open for suggestions for events/activities. The event will be held March 19, 2011. Gina Clark (Kelseyville), Joanna Paker (Anderson Marsh) and Lisa Illg (Cole Creek) volunteered to help.

Summer Camp 2011 (Teen Staff – June 19 - 24th / Campers & Chaperons – June 20th – 24th).

Exchange members from Costa Rica will be able to attend.

Applications for camp counselors will be mailed this week.

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Achievement Night

Katy reported on Achievement Night. The Clearlake Masons donated the Masonic Lodge at no charge. A thank you card was sent. The desert auction raised \$200.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION: Host an exchange 4H member from: Costa Rica, Japan and/or Norway

Karen reported that this is an inbound year for exchange members. Currently looking for host families to host a member for a month. Approximately 700 Japan members are coming to California in the middle of July, approximately 15 Costa Rica members are coming to California in June (during 4H camp), and an unknown amount of members from Norway. Interested hosts need to complete the necessary paperwork. By accepting an exchange member this year then the following year our 4H members can go out and possibly have the opportunity to stay with that same family. Lake County is coordinating with Mendocino County.

FAIR BOARD:

Cyndi reported that there have been 2 meetings since the last council meeting. The 30 stall horse barn was completed by the High School Rodeo, however it still needs lights. Meyo Marrufo was elected President and Carol Robertson was elected Vice President. The 2010 Junior Livestock Auction is now 100% collected. The pavement improvement project is pending. It was voted to not do the Avenue of Lights.

PRESIDENT REPORTS:

Fund Development Committee

Bryce suggested the Chicken Q as a fundraiser and have the funds go to council. There was discussion to form a committee. Karen Hayes, Gina Clark and Jill Crane are to organize and form a fundraising committee and to find people to serve on this committee. Bryce made motion and Grace seconded to form a fundraising committee; motion carried. A report is to be given at the January meeting.

National 4H Week

Julie reported that the Veterans presented an award to 4H for participating in the Veterans Day ceremonies since its inception. It was discussed that more cards are needed in future years. There was a large turnout this year with approximately 30 4H members attending.

North Section Council Meeting will be held on December 11th at 9:00am at the Lakeport Agriculture Center. Please contact Julie if you plan on attending.

Peer Review Update – Val reported.

EXECUTIVE BOARD DECISIONS:

Late Reenrollment

There is a request for late re-enrollment from 2 Upper Lake members. Jill made motion and Victoria seconded to accept the late re-enrollments; motion carried.

Clover Spring Valley Fee Waivers

Applications for fee waivers last year were lost. The club covered the fees and is asking to be reimbursed. Gina expressed that funds should come from the club level. Peggy made motion and Asia seconded to reimburse the club for fee waivers; motion carried.

Budget for Fee Waivers

Julie reported that the state office is no longer accepting fee waivers. Council has budgeted funds to cover these waivers. Council has discussed creating a new form for fee waivers with additional criteria. Currently there are enough funds to for those fee waivers submitted.

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OFFICE REPORT:

Countywide projects – Shooting sports, Photography, Poultry, Sewing, Vet Science, Sign language, Dog Project and Biking (Cobb).

Project Leader Survey – These are questionnaires being sent out to gather base data. Would like to have filled out by all, even if the project did not follow through. Members will be sent a survey next month. Please pass on to all club members.

Project Leader Outlines – All project leaders need to have completed an outline. All animal science project outlines are due and must be approved by December 15th.

Online Video Orientation – orientation video can be viewed online or a DVD is available for check out. There are other options for viewing. The in-person orientation will be focusing on project planning.

JLAC – Jill reported that the next meeting is in January and currently has nothing else to report.

Next Council meeting: January 24, 2011 at the Lower Lake Museum

Youth Fair Board rep: Hayden Evans

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:02p.m.

Announcements:

Safe Food Handling workshop – December 4th, 9am-12:30pm 4-H office

Presentation Day – February 27, 2011

4H Fling – March 19, 2011

California Focus - June 17 – 21, 2011

Washington Focus #1:

Road to Democracy - June 26- July 4, 2011

Heritage Trail 1 – June 26 – July 2, 2011

Washington Focus #2

Global Journey - July 10 – 19, 2011

Heritage Trail II – July 10-116, 2011

Northcoast Youth Summit - College of the Redwoods on February 12th from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM.