

Mountrail county Fall 4-H Council Meeting 9-17-2019

Jennifer Lenning, Krista Littlefield, Mark Lee, Laura Fransen, Julie Woodbury, Barb Detienne, Morgan Vachal, Carson Enger, Melissa Vachal, Dustin Roise, Bradyn Lenning, Sarah Brewer, Emma Brewer, Erika Littlefield, Jana Enger, Eli Brewer, Jacob Littlefield, Lynette Vachal, Heather Tomlinson

President Mark L. called the meeting to Order. Erika L. led us in the pledges.

Minutes from the previous meeting were handed out and read over individually. Julie W made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Barb D. second, motion carried.

Treasures report was handed out and looked over individually. Dustin R. made a motion to approve the treasures report, Julie W. second, motion carried.

Old Business:

- Project Day:
 - Total Participants - 46
 - Total remaining in HESS Project Day Donation fund after additional sponsors - \$3,111.92
 - Used leftover spaghetti from Plaza fundraiser, so there were no meal expenses.
 - Discussed parameters of HESS grant, hoping to get one again for this 4-H year.

- 4-H Horse Show:
 - Numbers were up since it wasn't on top of Ward Counties Achievement Days
 - Attendance - 14 Mountrail County/ 2 Burke County/ 6 Ward County

- Achievement Days
 - Premium Sale % - 2.0% this year to cover all expenses (lower than last year)
 - Premium Sale total \$76,375.00
 - Premiums:
 - Livestock Premium checks sent if 'thank you' proof was sent
 - Static - added with State Fair premiums - These will be sent out next week to each club leader
 - Businesses giving premiums outside of premium sale was discussed it was decided there isn't anything the council can really do.
 - Arena cleanup
 - Had to pay to have excess chips cleaned up - bill was \$210.00. A fair board member was upset about piles of chips left in the arena. Barb D. and Mark L. were not aware of this issue until now but will bring it up at the next fair board meeting.
 - Discussed purchasing equipment to clean up arena after Achievement Days and it was decided that families could bring supplies.
 - Large panels from sales ring and some others from animal area need to still be put away in the new building.

- Exhibit/Exhibitor #'s
 - BEEF - Exhibitors: 28 / Entries 35
 - DAIRY - Exhibitors: 1 / Entries 1
 - SHEEP Exhibitors: 19 / Entries 38
 - GOAT Exhibitors: 25 / Entries 42
 - POULTRY Exhibitors 25 / Entries 71
 - SWINE Exhibitors 26 / Entries 39
 - RABBIT Exhibitors 20 / Entries 49
 - STATIC Exhibitors: 99 / Entries 738
- State Fair
 - Herdsman Award went to Klay Lee
 - Total Exhibitors: 41 - Static / 12 - large livestock / 6 small animals / 4 - horse / 3 - project expo / 1 - clothing revue / 1 - communication arts

New Business

- 2019 - 2020 Registration
 - No enrollment fee on State or County level this year
 - If any clubs have adult or parents that assist frequently at meetings/events they need to enroll and complete a volunteer background check to be covered on insurance and to assist with youth.

Programming

- Lynette is looking for ideas of what kind of programming is needed in the county
- Lynette expressed interest in attending everyones club meeting at least once. If interested contact the 4-H office
- Upcoming Leader/Volunteer trainings on state level: Nov. 14th - Bottineau, Nov 25th - Killdeer if interested in attending contact Lynette
- Lynette is planning to schedule a training in October or November here in the county

4-H Camps

- \$1,187.07 was moved to the Camp account from the county fundraisers
- 33% will be reimbursed to each camp attendee from the county for one camp attended. Checks should go out next week.
- 16 youth attended camp from Mountrail County this year

EYC Scholarship

- Dustin R. made a motion to cover 100% of the conference costs if the trip is awarded this year from the general fund, Julie W. second, motion carried
- Approximate cost is \$225.00

4-H Awards Day

- 3 dates were presented, Oct. 27, Nov. 3 and Nov. 10. Jana E. made a motion to move forward with Nov. 3rd @ 2 pm, Laura F. second, motion carried.
- A committee made up of youth and adult representatives will put together some games for the event
- Git - R - Dun & Project Pin Awards were discussed. There has been some confusion about the time frame these awards are based on. Council decided they are for the previous years work, not the 4-Hers whole 4-H career.
- Krista L. brought up why then a 4-Her could only receive a pin once. Discussion was held. Dustin R. made a motion to let youth apply for each pin more than one time. second by Krista L. motion carried.
- Policy Book Reminder to receive years of service pins for adults:
 - Registered by May 1st
 - 19+ as of Sept 1
 - All forms submitted every 6 yrs. (Application to Volunteer, Adult Behavioral expectations, Child Abuse and Neglect Background Inquiry)
 - Attend 2 out of 3 of the following: 4-H Council meeting, one 4-H fundraiser, one County level event
 - Club Leader/Agent authorization of completion
- Friend of 4-H award was discussed. Barb D. nominated Jodi Obert, seconded by Julie W. Krista L. made a motion that nominations cease and to cast a unanimous ballot for Jodi O., Julie W. second, motion carried.
- Showmanship Belt Buckles, Barb D. gave a status report, they should be done the middle of October.
- 4-Her will not receive their belt buckle until a thank you has been shown to the 4-H office written to the sponsor.
- Krista L. commented the the Ranchmens 23 was impressed with the photo thank you from the extension office.

Achievement Days

- Kids for Kids contest will continue again next year
- Record Book Judges committee (made up of last years judges, Ceylon Feiring, Trudy Ruland, Chase Hule and Bailey Hawbaker) will work to revamp form and ruberic.
- There was one livestock book missing on a non-premium sale animal. Discuss was held on how to handle this in the future. The issue was tabled until the next meeting.
- Discussion was held on how to improve Achievement Days so that things don't run together like they did this past year. Ideas presented included:
 - Better time management by rearranging events instead of adding a day.
 - Start static judging @ 8 am on Wednesday and then animal judging starts after statics is over. This would also allow statics to be seen by the public for more hours. Issue here might be getting judges to commit.
 - Adding more judges to cut down the amount of time it takes to judge statics.

- Add Tuesday night for static judging issue here would be running into FFA judging which happens on Tuesday.
- Start livestock judging earlier on Wed. and streamline static judging.
- Julie W. made a motion that we stick with the 2 days and start rabbit judging start at 9 am, with goat registration starting at noon, static judging start at 3 pm and run until 6 pm and the goat show start at 5 pm. Dustin R. second, motion carried.

Pancake/Spaghetti Fundraiser dates have tentatively been set for
 Plaza March 29
 Stanley April 5

Project Day will be held on April 25 or May 2 (depends on which date the Garden Club has their show on)

Winter Council Meeting January 14th @ 6:00 pm

Election of Standing Committees

- Livestock Committee
 - Dustin R. made a motion to re-elect current livestock committee members and add Barb Detienne, second by Julie W. motion carried
- Horse Committee
 - Dustin R. mad a motion to re-elect the current committee members, second by Julie W. motion carried
- Static Committee
 - Krista L. made a motino to remove Stacy Barstad and add Melissa Vachal, while re-electing all other current members, second by Julie W. motion carried

Election of Officers

- President
 - Barb D. made motion to re-elect Mark Lee as President, second by Melissa V. Dustin R. moved nominations cease and to cast a unanimous ballot, second by Julie W. motino carried
- Vice President
 - Julie W. nominated Jennifer Lenning, second by Melissa V., motion carried
- Secretary
 - Krista L. nominated Sarah Brewer, second by Melissa V., motion carried
- Treasurer
 - Julie W. nominated Jodi Obert, second by Dustin R., motion carried
- Adult Representatives
 - Barb D. made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot keeping Julie Woodbury, Laura Fransen and Dustin Roise, second by Melissa V. motino carried
- Youth Representatives
 - Krista L. nominated Erika Littlefield, second by Julie W.

- Melissa V. nominated Morgan Vachal, second by Dustin R.
- Laura F. nominated Vanessa Fransen, second by Jennifer L.
- Jennifer L. nominated Bradyn Lenning, second by Dustin R.
- Dustin R. made a motion that nominations cease, second by Jennifer L. motion passed
- A paper ballot was completed and Erika L., Morgan V and Bradyn L. were elected.

2019-2020 4-H Dates

Sept 30 Canning Workshop 5:30 pm
 Oct 6-12 National 4-H Week
 Oct National 4-H Science Day - Game Changers
 Oct 5 Ambassadors Applications DUE (16-22 yr olds)
 Nov 3 Awards Day
 Nov 14 Teen & Adult Volunteer Training - Bottineau
 Nov 16 - Multi County Activity Day (Minot)
 Nov 25 - Teen & Adult Volunteer Training - Killdeer
 Feb 1 - NW District Archery Match (Minot)
 Feb 1 - NW Judging Contest (Stanley)
 Feb 16-18 - LAW (Leadership Awareness Weekend) - Bismarck - grades 7-12
 Mar 1 - 4-H Foundation Scholarships Due
 Mar 28 - Apr 2 - National 4-H Conference in Washington DC - Calli Hennessy has won selection to attend representing North Dakota
 June 15-18 - EYC - Fargo ND
 July 8-9 Mountrail County Achievement Days
 July 17-25 - ND State Fair

Krista L. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Julie W. motion carried

Submitted by: Krista Littlefield