

McIntosh County 4-H Council Minutes 4/25/18 7:00 p.m. Big Screen, Wishek

**Attendance:* Rocky, Pam, Marsha, Missy, Mandy, Harlan, Kim, Crystal

**Call meeting to order:* Rocky called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**Secretary's Minutes:* Crystal read the minutes from the January 31, 2018 meeting.

Motion to approve – Harlan, Seconded by – Missy, motion carried.

**Treasurer's report:* Pam reported \$5,332.47 in checking. No outstanding bills. \$1500 deposit from the Flickertail 4-H club to be used for the 1/child exhibit premiums (old premium sale). \$150 from Dakota Valley Electric and \$100 from Ulmer Auction for 4-H premiums.

Motion to approve – Marsha, Seconded by – Mandy, motion carried.

Old Business

****Premium Sale for Animals and Static Exhibits – 6 p.m. Friday night (July 13)***

Clarify the following - At the January 2018 meeting it was decided that youth can select one small animal or static grand/reserve/honorable mention project to bring to the premium sale if they do not have large livestock. If they have large livestock and choose to bring that to the premium sale instead they need to pick their highest ribbon placing project. Youth may only bring one exhibit through the premium sale (if they have static, small animals and large livestock they will pick only one). What about the youth who does not receive a grand/reserve/honorable mention static exhibit? Include blue ribbons as eligible as well.

****Discuss the Following Bullet points for clarification to 4-H families.***

- Youth may bring one project to the 4-H Premium Sale.
- If youth has large livestock, they may choose to bring their highest placing.
- If choosing small animals or static exhibits, youth should also choose their highest placing project although ultimately may bring a project of their choosing.
- Must participate in one 4-H approved, volunteer opportunity to receive premiums. (see list)

****Discuss list of sponsors and potential premium dollar amounts that was emailed to everyone. We will get youth involved in soliciting sponsors for the 4-H Premium sale as marketing is a valuable skill whether it is for static, small animal or large livestock projects. Council assign youth to certain sponsors – youth need to inform Extension Office when they have made the call and the result. Crystal will develop the script??***

****Show stall cards and decide whether to use or start over – or modify with stickers?***

Will print '4-H Premium Sponsored by <insert Business Name>' on 8x11 cardstock with 4-H emblem. Then youth can write what the business sponsored and their name to be hung by their project.

****Should sponsor dollars collected include something for the plaques – or do we put sponsors on plaques?***

Sponsors should still be included on year end plaques as applicable. 4-H Council should plan to allocate \$300 from sponsors for plaques.

****Look at set list of premium amounts. (handout)***

Harlan made a motion to approve set premiums, seconded by Kim, motion carried. A letter explaining the new 4-H Premium Sale as well as which sponsors each 4-H youth should contact will be emailed soon and then mailed to parents as well with fair information.

***4-H member Volunteer Opportunities List – 4-H members should complete one volunteer opportunity to be eligible for premiums for 4-H Project Showcase – list will be given to families and leaders. Extension office will maintain a list of who has completed their volunteer time.**

- Multiple Monday evenings starting in April/May are available to help Tri-County Fair Board clean and set up for the races and the fair.
- Fair Ride Set up
- Fair Building Set up (barn and static building – usually the week of the fair)
- Awards Night Set up and or Clean up
- Make Sandwiches Saturday during fair for the open livestock show on Sunday
- Pack Exhibits for State Fair on Sunday afternoon of the fair
- Talk about 4-H to 2-3rd grades (preferably in September during national 4-H week).
- Speak to local chambers/Lions Clubs regarding their 4-H activities and the importance of 4-H in their lives and how donations are needed and appreciated
- Salvation Army bell ringing
- Volunteer as a larger 4-H group at local functions where help is needed —prom, chamber events/banquets, Legion or Lions functions or Community events like sizzling summer days, Oktoberfest – Would need to be approved by Extension staff.
- Others?

***Extension Budgets Notes** – Under 2000 population differential did not pass. 60/40 split was approved. (Counties would now pay 40% of salary plus benefits for their agents, vs. the old system of just paying 50% of salary. The state would pick up the 60% remaining.) Governor recently announced budget reduction which will definitely mean that we will have to wait and see before refilling our FCW position.

New Business

-Static Exhibit Fair Help – Door keeper/get kids to judges, put projects on table for display, pack up projects for state fair, etc. Volunteers will be sought closer to the fair to help.

-Animal Ownership/Care and Lease Form – Fill out Email/Mail/Text back a picture.

-Care and Feeding Livestock & Quality Assurance Training – June 20 or 21? The youth for the quality care of animals (YQCA) is mandatory for state fair in 2018 to exhibit rabbits, poultry, beef, dairy, cattle, goats, hogs, and sheep. The care and feeding portion will just be good information for youth exhibiting animals. We will work with Logan and Emmons Counties to host. Do we want to make YQCA mandatory in our county? Discussion was to wait and most likely not make this mandatory in our county.

-Other

-Check on next available archery trainings for possible new leaders.

-Find volunteers to help with 4-H Premium Sale to hand youth sponsor signs as well as to possibly take a picture of youth with their sponsor and project. Find inexpensive frames for youth to send thank you pictures of themselves with their project to sponsors.

-Email minutes to families before council meetings so they can be read before meeting, allowing for the motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes at future meetings.

Quarterly meetings – next date? June 13, Ashley

Motion to adjourn – Mandy Seconded by – Harlan, Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully, Crystal Schaunaman, Extension Agent