

Mountrail County 4-H Fall Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 30, 2008
Extension Office, Stanley, ND

The Meeting was called to order by President, Marlene Grabow. Present: Jim Hennessy, Cristi Trulson, Katie Woodbury, John Woodbury, Marlene Grabow, Mary Nielsen and Renee Grinolds.

Secretary's report was distributed to be read by everyone. Marlene asked for any corrections or additions. Mary Nielsen moved to approve the secretary's report as read. Katie Woodbury seconded the motion, motion carried.

Mary Nielsen read the treasurer's report. Cristi Trulson moved to approve the treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Jim Hennessy, motion carried.

4-H Horse Show: Discussion was held on the 4-H Horse Show. John Woodbury wanted to stress that when a date is set for the horse show that it shouldn't be changed. Also, rules need to be followed. A girl wearing spurs was awarded the grand champion and that is against the dress code. This is the judge's discretion. Stress: rules need to be followed.

4-H Achievement Days: Discussion was held on the 4-H Achievement Days. John Woodbury wanted to stress again the importance of setting rules and abiding by those rules. Don't make exceptions. They also felt that some rules were enforced while others rules had exceptions made to them. Rules are rules and no exceptions should be made. John also stated his disappointment in the leathercraft judge not awarding grands and reserves when these same projects were awarded reserve champion or awarded an award of excellence at the State Fair. Again, this is up to the judge's discretion.

A special meeting will be scheduled to go over the premium sale criteria to hopefully avoid the same problems at next year's 4-H Achievement Days. This will pertain to what is mandatory and what to do if weight requirements are not met.

John Woodbury also brought up Katie's Vet Science project being disqualified for being a continuation of a project from previous years. They felt they should be able to exhibit and will exhibit this project next year. The council agreed that it would be fine but only the current year will be judged rather than the exhibit as a whole and that the current year must be separate from the previous years.

Dates:

National 4-H Week - October 5-11

4-H Awards Day - November 2 at 2:00 p.m.

4-H Leader's Banquet - November 17 at Blue Star Café, Plaza

Ward County 4-H Activity Day - December 6

4-H Basketball Tournament - March 28

4-H Achievement Days Setup - July 13

4-H Achievement Days - July 15-16

4-H Horse Show - August - 8

ND State Fair - July 24-August 1, 2009

* 4-H Showcase, Communication Arts, Consumer Choice and Pet Show to be set at a later date.

Livestock Committee: Cristi Trulson, Jodi Obert, Ron Edwards and Lynn Grabow. Lynn's term expires. Jim nominated John Woodbury to serve on the Livestock Committee. Nomination seconded by Cristi Trulson, carried.

Livestock Committee Members: Cristi Trulson, Jodi Obert, Ron Edwards and John Woodbury.

Horse Committee: Elaine Uran, Stacey Dazell and Bonita Hornberger. Elaine's term expires. Katie nominated Julie Woodbury to serve on the horse committee. Nomination seconded by Mary Nielsen, carried.

Horse Committee Members: Stacey Dazell, Bonita Hornberger and Julie Woodbury.

Assistance at Meetings: Jim is willing to help at club meetings if needed. A full-time Extension Agent will be hired at 40 percent 4-H and 60 percent Community and Leadership Development. This person will also be available to assist at meetings.

Judging Teams for State Contest: Mary Nielsen moved to put \$500 towards expenses for the State 4-H Judging Contests in Valley City. Motion seconded by John Woodbury, motion carried.

Caps for 4-H Judging Teams: Roger Christenson made a request to have caps made up that say "Mountrail County 4-H Judging Team" and make them available for the 4-H'ers to purchase. By keeping the caps generic they can pertain to all the judging teams: hippology, horse, crops, livestock, and consumer choices. The Office will check in with Cris-Tee's Designs to see what they can come up with.

Election of Officers:

President: Mary Nielsen nominated Cristi Trulson. John Woodbury seconded the nomination. Carried.

Secretary: Mary Nielsen nominated Jenny Smith. John Woodbury moved nominations cease and to cast a unanimous ballot for Jenny. Seconded by Cristi Trulson, motion carried.

Officers:

President - Cristi Trulson, Stanley

Vice-President - Brian Severance, Palermo

Secretary - Jenny Smith, Palermo

Treasurer - Mary Nielsen, Parshall

Seeing no further business, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by
Renee Grinolds