

STUTSMAN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING
09-12-2017 (DRAFT)
NDSU Extension Stutsman County Office

President: Meredith Schmidt
Vice-President: Tiffney Dick

Secretary: Martha Bjorgaard
Treasurer: Rhonda Michel

Members: All leaders, **Youth Members** – Madison Letherman and Alex Huber (Absent), and **At-Large Member** – Jason Rohr (Absent). Also present: Robin Barnes and Alicia Harstad

1. **Call to Order** – President, Meredith Schmidt called the September 12, 2017 meeting to order.
2. **Flag Pledges** – Flag pledges were led by Madison Letherman.
3. **Secretary's Report** – The Secretary's report was reviewed. Rhonda Michel made a **MOTION:** That the minutes be accepted. Toni Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Treasurer's Report** – The Treasurer's report was dispersed prior to the meeting. Rhonda Michel presented the report. The balance on hand is \$23,315.92 as of 08/31/2017. Eric Lahlum **MOVED** to file the Treasurer's report for audit. Ann Marks seconded the motion. Motion carried. President Meredith Schmidt made the following clarification: At the June 13, 2017 meeting we approved using the remaining \$28 Herdsman Funds to purchase hotdogs for the potluck. We will strike from the Executive Council August 8, 2017 minutes the motion to reimburse Robin Barnes from the Herdsman Funds because it was not necessary.
5. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Livestock – Minutes are on-line. Meredith Schmidt will bring any information/comments back to the Livestock committee.
 - b. Executive – Met August 8, 2017. The executive council will be making some recommendations during this meeting.
6. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. Requests to Borrow 4-H Property – The Executive Council recommends 4-H families may borrow 4-H property with a checkout sheet. Denise Waldon made a **MOTION:** To approve requests to borrow 4-H property to 4-H families as recommended by the executive council. Tiffney Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried. It was noted other entities borrowing 4-H property at the fairgrounds is to continue as is.
 - b. Speedway Fundraiser Opportunity – The Speedway is offering a fundraiser by selling raffle tickets at a 50/50 split for approximately 17 nights per summer (May – September) from approximately 6 pm-9:30. The Executive Council recommends the portion of the 50/50 split to have 50% go to the Stutsman County 4-H Council and 50% to the 4-H Club working the raffle. Clubs are not required to participate. Each 4-H Club is to let Robin Barnes know prior to December 1, 2017 of their interest in participation and the number of nights.
 - c. E-mail Communication/Verification of E-mails used During Enrollment – E-mail addresses used are the ones listed in 4-H On-Line. Helpful reminder: Please review your on-line e-mail address. Club leaders are expected to disperse information to their club members. The Stutsman County 4-H Facebook is a good resource of information.
 - d. Stutsman County Fair Recap – The Executive Council shared comments to open the fair recap discussion. The following comments and ideas were mention:
 - Schedule of events was good for animals
 - Numbers similar to 2016

- Old Time Showmanship didn't flow as well. It is recommended to consider doing this every other year or have more organization. Meredith Schmidt will bring this to the Livestock Committee.
- Sunday booth set-up was good
- All club potluck – Needs tables and chairs. For future it was recommended that the council provide one main item such as hotdogs.
- Food vendor – Needs to have supplies and be available.
- Entries – Consider a meeting at the extension office titled "Lets Enter the Fair" to provide guidance on completing fair entry forms.
- Consider a scavenger hunt
- E-mail Robin Barnes with ideas.

7. New Business

a. Council Elections

- At-Large Leader – Tiffney Dick nominated Jason Rohr. Meredith Schmidt called for the appointment of Jason Rohr as At-Large Leader. All were in favor. Jason Rohr is At-Large Leader.
 - Youth Representatives – Tiffney Dick made a **MOTION:** to nominate Madison Letherman. Denise Waldon 2nd the motion. Tiffney Dick made a **MOTION:** to nominate Noah Weber. Rhonda Michel seconded the motion. President Meredith Schmidt called for an all in favor for Madison Letherman and Noah Weber as youth representatives. All were in favor.
 - Vice President – Ann Marks made a **MOTION:** to nominate Tiffney Dick. Sue Schmuhl seconded the motion. President Meredith Schmidt called for an all in favor for Tiffney Dick be Vice President. All were in favor. Tiffney Dick is Vice President.
 - Treasurer – Sue Schmuhl made a **MOTION:** to nominate Rhonda Michel as Treasurer. Toni Allen seconded the motion. President Meredith Schmidt called for an all in favor for Rhonda Michel be appointed Treasurer. All were in favor. Rhonda Michel is Treasurer.
- Committee Sign-up – Meredith Schmidt reviewed pre-requisites of committees. Sign-up sheets are available on back tables. Sign-up needs to be done prior to November 1, 2017.
 - Friend of 4-H – Ann Marks made a **MOTION:** To nominate Tonia Kjellberg for Friend of 4-H. Martha Bjorgaard seconded the motion. President Meredith Schmidt called for an all in favor for Tonia Kjellberg. All were favor.
 - State Fair Delegate – Chuck Meikle is retiring and recommending Deb Hatlewick as our representative. Ann Marks made a **MOTION:** to nominate Deb Hatlewick as our state fair delegate. Darold Schmuhl seconded the motion. President Meredith Schmidt called for an all in favor for Debra Hatlewick as state fair delegate. All were in favor.
 - Key Club and I Dare You Nominations – The following youth were nominated: I Dare You – Victoria Christensen and Key Club – Tyler Bjorgaard. Tiffney Dick made a **MOTION:** to award the nominations for I Dare You and Key Club. Sue Schmuhl seconded the motion. President Meredith Schmidt called for an all in favor. All were in favor.
 - Super Leadership and County Medal Awards – Two applicants were received for Super Leadership and four different 4-Hers applied for county medal applications. Tiffney Dick made a **MOTION:** to award the applicants for Super Leadership and County Medal Awards. Ronda Michel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Added to the December agenda will be an awards committee.
 - Event Reimbursement Application – An application was received from Charlotte Wilson for attending Aerospace Camp and Livestock. Going forward the executive council is recommending the forms include a line for the "amount requested". The maximum reimbursement is \$200. Ann Marks made a **MOTION:** To give Charlotte Wilson \$200 from general funds. Tiffney Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried. National qualifiers are: Victoria Christensen for Speech Hippology and Will Peckham and Landon Sprague for Archery. Denise Waldon made a **MOTION:** that we no longer have a 4-H Event Application Form. Sue Schmuhl seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ann Marks made a **MOTION:** To rename the general event reimbursement budget line item to the Noel Howell Memorial Fund. Tiffney Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- h. State Fair Static Project Travel Expense Reimbursement – Stutsman County received \$172.49 travel reimbursement from the state fair. Cori Schmoker borrowed us a trailer to use. Sue Schmuhl made a **MOTION:** to pay Cori Schmoker \$80.00 of this travel for trailer use. Denise Waldon seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - i. 2017-2018 4-H Year Goals – The Executive council gave goal recommendations. Everyone is asked to come up with goals for our December meeting.
 - j. 2017-2018 Calendar Review – The Stutsman County Extension web home page has our calendar of events.
 - k. Member/Leader Recognition – October 8, 2017 at The Bunker beginning at 5pm with awards followed by eating at 6pm and then entertainment at 6:30pm. Invitations are going out in the mail. The executive committee is recommending a carnival/silent auction every 3 to 5 years.
 - l. Youth Activity Day – Tentative date is December 28, 2017.
 - m. ND 4-H Project Guide – Available on-line.
 - n. Amazon Smile or Schwans Fund Raising – Meredith Schmidt and Robin Barnes will research and gather information to present at our December meeting.
 - o. TSC Paper Clover – October 4th – 15th, 2017
 - p. National 4-H Week – October 1st – 7th, 2017
8. **Extension Staff Updates:**
- ND 4-H Camp – 7 attended with 5 from Stutsman County
 - State Fair – 16 attended
 - National Event Qualifiers – 3
 - Judging Teams – Horse/Livestock – If interested, contact Robin Barnes.
9. **Other**
- a. Civic You – November 10, 2017 for grades 6th-8th
 - b. 4-H Ambassadors – Applications due to State Office prior to October 15, 2017.
 - c. Graduated Seniors – Robin Barnes would appreciate knowing what recent high school graduate plans are. She keeps a note of former 4-Her's plans.
 - d. Bird Feeders – Some bird feeders from TSC were available for clubs/members.
10. **Next Meeting** – December 12, 2017 Training Topic: National 4-H Fitbit
11. **Adjournment** – Meredith Schmidt called the meeting to adjournment.