

**Youth Skill Development Committee Meeting
Stutsman County 4-H Leaders Council
October 5th, 2016**

The Youth Skill Development Committee of the Stutsman County 4-H Leaders Council met on October 5th, 2016 at 6:30 pm. Members present were Anne Osborne, Lori Helm, Ann Marks, Christina Rittenbach, Robin Barnes and Alicia Harstad.

Minutes from the previous meeting were e-mailed out to the committee members. Ann Marks moved to approve the minutes as sent. Lori seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer report was also e-mailed out to the committee members. Robin noted that the 2015 Youth Activity Day event did not break even and actually cost the committee about \$200. However, the Youth Activity Day fund currently still has a positive balance of \$1202.01. Ann Marks commented that some years we make money and some years we lose money, it just depends on the supplies needed for the activities but it is something to watch. The current balance for Clothing Revue event fund is \$0.00. The current balance for the Communication Arts contest fund is \$1151.19. The current balance for Consumer Choice judging event fund is \$356.89. The current balance for the Project Expo event fund is \$3.85.

Elections

Anne Osborne moved to keep the Extension office as the chair of the committee and to appoint a secretary at the beginning of each meeting. Lori Seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

Robin collected different potential conflict dates for upcoming events such as prom dates, state Hippology event dates, Winter Show dates, etc. to help aid in setting the dates for upcoming events.

The date for the Communication Arts and Project Expo contest was set for the afternoon of Sunday, April 23rd. Communication Arts and Project Expo contest will run concurrent with each other.

The date for Consumer Choice and Clothing Revue was set for Saturday, April 1st assuming the state Hippology event doesn't fall on the same date. If the two event do conflict, then the second choice date was set as Saturday, April 8th. Consumer Choice judging contest will be conducted in the morning. Then there will be a lunch break for both the Consumer Choice and Clothing Revue participants. Clothing Revue contest will be conducted in the afternoon. 4-Hers have the option to participate in both or just one of the contests that day.

Youth Activity Day

- The date for the event was set for Wednesday, December 28th. It was decided to keep the event during winter break this year with the possibility of moving it to a different time of the year for next year.
- Activity ideas included:
 - Building rockets
 - Pin banner that can hold and display 4-H pin awards
 - Entomology
 - Mock Communication Arts, Consumer Choice, Clothing Revue, and Project Expo event (one for each session)

- 4-H science day project which is drones – depending on the space needed
- Felt art taught by the Arts Center
- Drawing and painting session
- Clowning by Anne Osborne
- Card making for thank you cards
- Sewing session by Ann Marks
- Candy making
- Any other ideas should be sent to Robin

Robin announced the task of revising the static award process and names for outstanding exhibitor and award of excellence has been sent to the Executive Council to decide.

New Business

Fair dates for 2017 have not been set yet as the Fair Board is still in negotiations with the carnival company. However, it looks like the fair will be July 4th – 8th instead of June 28th – July 1st. The fair dates for 2018 have been set for July 4th – 7th.

Any comments or suggested changes regarding the State Fair this year should be sent to Robin and she will pass them on to Dean Aakre from the State 4-H office.

If you have ideas for sponsors for either Youth Activity Day, Communication Arts/Project Expo or Consumer Choice/Clothing Revue events, please send their information to Robin.

Youth Skills Development committee members were asked to sign up for a subcommittee for each of the upcoming events to help plan the details. Members who were present at the meeting signed up for the following:

Youth Activity Day Subcommittee:

Ann Marks
Lori Helm

Communication Arts/Project Expo Subcommittee:

Anne Osborne

Consumer Choice/Clothing Revue Subcommittee:

Members still needed

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectively submitted by Alicia Harstad, acting secretary.