

Wells County 4-H Council Meeting
KTL Meeting Room – Fessenden, ND
7:00 pm, January 25, 2018

Present:

Bowdon Blazers: Steven Jones, Pam Copenhagen

Bremen Friendly Neighbors: Kristen Allmaras, Jeff Schafer, Leann Schafer, Kathy Thompson, Dawn & Russ Snively

Lonetree Pioneers: Chrissie Hager, Amanda Schimke, Krysten McKinven

Livewires: Julie Weisser

Also: Lindsay Maddock

Meeting called to order by Vice President Jeff Shafer

Pledges

Approval of Agenda

- The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

Approval of Minutes

- Corrections: None
- Minutes approved without reading. Steven moved to approve, Julie seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Kristen Allmaras

- Balance Sheet 1/24/2018
 - checking balance \$24,622.67
 - savings balance \$2,770.30Russ moved to approve, seconded by Dawn, motion carried
- Kristen A will ask Mark Freidt or Eric Bollingberg to help go through the books.

New Business

- Lindsay introduced “*Youth for the Quality Care of Animals*” – a web-based training, national program, being utilized by 4-H. Any 4-Her going to the state fair has to be certified in this. Covers food safety, animal well-being, character development. Really hands-on & for all animals, except horses, dogs, & cats (there is a horse one that will be out in a couple of years). It works together with 4-H online. \$12 for online, \$3 for instructor led, which takes about 60 minutes. Will have to be done every year. Lindsay can teach the class; council could possibly pay the \$3. **This program will replace the project books.** Lindsay will get a date set this winter yet to have the class. Leann moved that the council pay the \$3, seconded by Russ, motion carried. Dawn motioned this program replaces the books, seconded by Steven, motion carried *unanimously*.
- *Livestock Quiz Bowl* – Contest to be held in Fargo, March 4th. Lindsay has a list of 17 kids interested in this. She would like to send out some things to study for it, and then get together to practice. Anyone can get a book to have for their own. They are a great resource. If enough kids are interested we could possibly get a buzzer system of our own for practicing and hosting contests here.
- *4-H program fee* for next fall –\$20 individual, \$60 max family. Discussed whether we should help pay for this.
- *Foster County Horse Show update* – they would like to host it again. Their fair is scheduled the same weekend as ours. The show will be on June 16th.

- *Communication Arts & Project Expo* – we need to figure out a date for this. Lindsay will look into this. It was suggested that having it on a Friday evening would be nice.

Committee Reports

Bylaws & Standards – Jeff S, Barb K-L, Pam C, Carrie O

- Nothing tonight

Static Building – Kristen A & Amy Ongstad

- Nothing

Explorers Group – Krysten M, Kristen J, Julie W

- Serving of Winter Show went well. Made tater-tot casserole.

Ambassadors – Julie W, Kristen J, Krysten M

- As of now we have only 13 members (22 last year). Must be 14 by the beginning of the 4-H year.

Shooting Sports Steven J & Dale S

- Started last Sunday. 11 members currently; 4 more possibly. Contests coming up.

Tractor Driving – David H, Todd M, Aaron O

- Nothing

Food Booth – Amanda S, Alexa L, Sandra D, Chrissie H

- After talking with a few different companies, it's been decided to purchase a 2 door cooler from Dakota Refrigeration out of Fargo. David & Chrissie Hager will get it to the food booth.
- Pampered Chef Party went well. Lots of supplies will be purchased for the food booth. Ordered \$500 worth for \$185. The ceiling fan above the island will be taken down, and an outlet put there instead. May keep the old cooler for storing extra pop, etc.
- Hoping a picnic shelter will be up for the Fair, or at least a tent.

Communication Arts, Project Expo, & Consumer Choice – Barb K-L, Carrie O

- *see above *New Business*. **In need of another member on this committee.**

Small Animal – Dawn & Russ S, Carrie O, Dynella S

- Best Dressed Animal contest – everyone loved it last year. It will be moved out of the barn – possibly to the Arena or Show Barn. It was very crowded in the barn last year.

Horse – Kathy Thompson, Dynella S

- *see above *New Business*

Premium Sale & Opening Ceremonies – Ambassadors

- Nothing

Livestock Show & Sale – Donny A, Steven J, Troy F

- Nothing

Building Maintenance – Adrian L, Russ S, Barb K-L, Dale S

- Leann Schafer reported that the Fair Board has discussed re-pouring the foundation of the Static Building.

Fair Flyer – Jennifer F, Diana L, Leann S, Carrie Widmer

- We need a good way to let new members know that they can purchase a thank you ad. Last year one family was sad they missed it.

4-H Award Selection – Dale S, Michelle J, Pam C, Shooting Sports Advisor, Ambassador Adviser, Livestock Superintendent

- Jeff mentioned that he'd personally thanked Brandt from the Eagles Club for supporting 4-H (Awards banquet was held there, with the food donated by the Eagles). Brandt told Jeff, "He can't wait to do it next year." Keep this in mind when planning this year's Award Ceremony.

Honorary Award Selection – David L, Steven J, Barb K-L

- A list of names was made up for suggestions. Kristen Allmaras will make up a form for filling out the bios. Please bring nominations and bios to next meeting. It was suggested to also have an Honorary Award given out to supporters (businesses, individuals) to 4-H.

Election of Officers

- Nominations-
 - 1 for President - Steven Jones. Krysten moved, Julie second, motion passed.
 - 2 for Vice President - Kysten McKinven
Jeff Shafer-declined. Dawn moved, Steven second, motion passed.
 - 1 for Secretary - Chrissie Hager. Steven moved, Dawn second, motion passed.
 - 1 for Treasurer – Kristen Allmaras. Kathy moved , Julie second, motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned. Julie motion, Krysten second, motion passed.