

Wells County 4-H Council Meeting

The Q on Main – Fessenden, ND

November 5th, 2018

Present:

Bowdon Blazers: Steven Jones, Kristen Jones

Bremen Friendly Neighbors: Kristen Allmaras, Kathy Thompson, Russ Snively, Carrie Opdahl, Alexa LaPlant

Lonetree Pioneers: Chrissie Hager, Amanda Schimke, Krysten McKinven, Madison Schimke

Livewires:

Also: Lindsay Maddock

Meeting called to order at 7:10 by President Steven Jones

Pledges

Approval of Agenda

- The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

Approval of Minutes

- Corrections: None
- Minutes unanimously approved without reading. Kristen A moved to approve, Alexa L seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Kristen Allmaras

Balance Sheet 4/24/2018

- checking balance \$27,172.97
- savings balance \$2,772.73
- Fair checks have been written out for members. Our donation to the Fair Board for \$3,000 has been donated, and will give the 2nd \$3,000 next year. The additional money from the State Fair was also donated to the Fair; Given to Chad Friese, treasurer of the Fair Board.
- There was discussion on whether we should be putting more money into savings. Has the interest rate gone up? Also, when will our cd's renew? Kristen A will check on these.

Carrie O moved to approve treasurer report, seconded by Russ S, motion carried

Committee Reports

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

- Lindsay – grey area – shooting sports. Lindsay read the bylaw where it states, “new requirements include a minimum of 2-3 practices during the season”. This should be a set number, to clarify. It was decided to set it at three.

Static Building – Kristen A & Amy Ongstad

- Has been moved to its new spot and looks real good. Will have new siding, doors, & windows in the spring. Talked about rearranging how things are set up, to make the flow of how people go through more appealing. Thinking about putting some simple shelves/picture rails on the walls to display pictures, posters, & artwork. Other suggestions for display were recommended as well. Also discussed putting something on a wall like a word collage or mural, along with updated pictures of members at events, etc.
- All the contents of the building are being stored in the women's building now, and will need help moving it all back in before the fair.
- There really isn't much room for landscaping. A mural on the outside would be nice, too.

Explorers Group – Krysten M, Kristen J, Julie W

- Not much to report tonight. Thinking they may go to Wisconsin Dells this summer. There's a lot more kids this year. We'll discuss this again and vote on it at the January meeting. There is still time for kids to join (probably until Jan, or until they buy the tickets), and attend the trip.

Ambassadors – Kristen A, Carrie O

- Committee members have resigned. They will help out with any questions from the new committee members.

Shooting Sports Steven J & Dale S

- Planning a practice to get ready for a meet in Maddock on Dec 8th. Then start up again after Christmas. There is a new shooting sports club working on starting up in Harvey. They would become 4-H members, but focus mainly on outdoor skills and shooting sports.

Tractor Driving – David H, Bruce L, Eric Reimche

- It was asked if a 4-H member can be on a committee. It should be fine, except for helping with the written test, if they are participating.

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

- Would like to get new faucets for the two kitchen sinks. Not expensive ones. Just better. Preferably with a spray nozzle on it. A higher faucet, with a sprayer, would be great for the 3 sink spot.

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

- Jamestown is holding an open Consumer Decision Making practice/contest. Lindsay will email the details.

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

- Still planning on doing the market chickens. This way they will all be the same age, and size hopefully, for the fair. They'll be ordered in Feb. Will have a plan ready, for the January meeting. The committee will set up the parameters to offer for members. Members enrolled in poultry are not required to participate in this.

Horse – Kathy Thompson, Dynella S

- Discussed having the show here again, but does not look good, unless we get more horse members.

Premium Sale & Opening Ceremonies – Ambassadors

- Nothing tonight.

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

- Nothing tonight.

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

- Nothing besides the moving of the Static Building

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

- Nothing tonight.

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

- Costume Party (kids & adults) for the Awards Banquet on the 15th of November. Supper starts at 6:15.
- Will invite state ambassador Jacob Arnold to attend, and speak.

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

- Start thinking about names for our January meeting.

Old Business

- Planning to mail the thank you cards out with the fair book, so the kids can spend a little more time on them, instead of rushing through them at the fair. They can be given to a designated club leader, & delivered to the office, before the fair.

New Business

- Some club meeting minutes have not been getting turned in to the office. This is necessary for knowing who participated in what for eligibility and awards.
- Fair board member Chad Friese has asked that 4-H & the Fair Board get together to talk about long term goals for the fair. This would be for the council to attend, and anyone else willing.
- 4-H scholarships – would like to work on this in our county. Maybe the council, or leaders, can get together to work on this. Lindsay will do some research for the next council meeting.
- New Member Handbook – Lindsay brought a new book. Copies were passed out and everyone looked through it to suggest any omissions or additions. If not finished with it this evening, please bring to the January meeting.
- Amanda moved that the dues for 2 new families be paid for by 4-H - \$80 total, Krysten M second. Motion passed. Lindsay will call down to Fargo to ask how to go about this.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 Krysten M motion, Kathy T second, motion passed.