

Leaders Council 3-4-2019

Attendance: Kelli Muma, Erica Breault, Audrey Greer, Adison Greer (Vice-President), Olivia Klein, Bonnie Klein, Mark Potter, Jen Potter, Lyndsy Bock, Joannie Willford, Alisha Bock, Melissa Preston (Gladwin P.C)

Call to Order by Vice-President Adison Greer at 6:30 pm

Reports

- Minutes of the last meeting motioned to accept as is by Joannie Willford seconded by Erica Breault. Minutes from the last meeting where approved as is and filed.
- Treasurer's Report-Read By Joannie
 - Regular Share- \$1592.80
 - Checking- 12852.88
 - Small Animal- 4514.47
 - Horse- 0.08
 - Scholarship- 6223.02
 - Livestock-8115.47
- Outstanding Bills- At this moment we have no outstanding unpaid bills
- Correspondence- We received three scholarship essays from three program scholarship to the state horse conference
- New checks where received after purchase

MSU Extension Staff Report

- Embryology with Sparks went well, however, difficult due to weather and other factors resulting in a poor hatch
- Due to weather sparks with Beaverton has been moved back to March
- Spring achievement Enrollments are in we have 10 youth participating. Youth need to arrive at 9 am and stuff will be released at 3 pm to take home.
- Scholarships, where turned in March 1st Committee, will meet to set when interviews will take place and where at.
- Attended an NSO Training we will be making an effort to add fun short training to the leader's meeting to take back to their clubs to use.

Fair Board Report:

- 2019 Livestock Sale Order Swine, Sheep, Milk, Beef, Dairy Feeders
- Breeding stock will no longer be an animal project in swine and all swine underweight will not be allowed into the barn and exhibitors will be required to take them home
- May 11th from 8-12 Sheep, swine and Prospect Mandatory

Meeting with Fred February 16th went well. The fair is dealing with the cost of upkeep of the horse arena and doesn't feel they can afford to take on all the cost. Community members attended and expressed that the fees seem high for what is offered. The offer was made to present the fair with several changes that would make the cost look better, Building in the cost of lights

and such into the rental. It was also expressed that rules need to be in place clearly and understandably. What are the rules for rental and so on? We have agreed clubs who wish to use the arena for practice will pay a yearly 50 dollar fee for use and must not practice during or the week before fair horse events.

Horse committee Update

- Link for state awards is live please get the horse youth interested signed up right away

Old Business:

- We discussed doing a basket drawing at the fall Awards. We need to start looking for donations for baskets. I have sent a living attendance sheet youth will a ticket for every general meeting they attend. Attendance sheets will be turned in September. Melissa will get together a count on how many youths are going to be in each age bracket and we will divide that into the number of baskets and ages. Youth who attend at least 4 meeting can enter into the drawing.

New Business:

- Purchasing awards for spring achievement. After inventory, we had a good deal of Best of Class ribbons and white ribbons. We need to order blue and red ribbons however for the event. S&H engraving is local and ordering ribbons at a minimum of sixty. Melissa would like to order 60 of both Red and Blue ribbons for the program as well as for the next few years. Joannie motioned for Melissa to order 60 red and 60 blue ribbons for spring achievement from S&H. Erika Breault Seconded that motion. Motion approved and passed.
- Expo Days Price has increased to a total of 220 a participant. This is roughly a 40 dollar increase for all involved making the cost at which the leader's council covers higher at now 110 a participant instead of the 80 in years passed. Melissa presented the question would the leader's council like to continue providing a ½ cost scholarship to all the youth in attendance at this time with the price increase or would they like to remain at the 80 dollars they have provided in years past? After discussio, Bonnie Klein Motioned to maintain paying have the cost with the increases making the leader's council responsible for ½ the cost of the program for each participant. Erika Breault Seconded motion approved and passed.
- Training for leaders with the fair board: After the Meeting with Fred it seems that communication is one of the main issues between fair board members and 4-H. Melissa has suggested training with the superintendents without parents and youth. This training would be for volunteers in the 4-h program to discuss with the superintendent's rules and expectations of youth in the barn and how the volunteers can help during fair week to help maintain the standards the fair is trying to set. This also would be a great time to discuss who is responsible for what and when the fair board handles a problem and so on. Melissa is going to work with Fred on some dates and try to get everyone to attend. Our goal is to create a working partnership that benefits all.

- Three youth have turned in scholarships to cover ½ the cost of the horse program they attended a month ago. The total would come to 87.50 to be reimbursed. Audrey motioned to reimburse ½ the cost of the program for each individual. Joannie seconded Motion carried and passed.
- Clinic/Workshops are something we are looking to start again as spring is upon us. Olivia suggested the sheep shearing clinic again which is a great idea but adding in judging. Melissa has suggested coming with ideas at the next meeting.