

Fond du Lac County 4-H Executive Board Meeting Minutes February 19, 2015

Present: Sue Kamphuis, Jessie Van Loo, Cameron Van Loo (Weeping Willows), Jackie Luedtke, Kim Carey, Denise Retzleff, Shelly Oswald, Lorna Bock, Rose Petrie, Karen Holzmann, Allison Opheim, Paige LePine (Intern)

Guests: Liz, Bridgette, & Drew as representatives of the Recreation Building at Fond du Lac County Fair Board.

Excused: Olivia Engelhardt, JoAnn Maedke

Absent: Ryan Stommel

Meeting called to order by President Sue Kamphuis

Mike Howard is a new member of the Fair Board. We were unsure of his role and learned that Liz, Bridgette, and Drew are the people who have oversight of the Recreation Building.

Anticipated visits to Clubs by Fair Board. Discussion topics include:

- Fair Entries – answer questions

- Volunteer Opportunities

- Promote the fair

If people have suggestions about how they would like to see things displayed. Idea was to display photography differently such as in frames, tripods, etc.

Secretary's Report: Submitted by Jackie Luedtke. 1st Kim, 2nd Lorna Minutes approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by JoAnn Maedke. 1st Lorna, 2nd Rose, Report approved unanimously.

- Price of Badger State Buddies book reduced from \$6 to \$4. We also sent a copy of the book to each library in the state.

Teen Leader Report – Alison

- February 7th teen leaders went to Sunburst.

- New family orientation, help out at Family Learning Day and planning Family Game Night.

- Planning on getting gifts for kids that helped with Club Officer Training and recognize kids that went above and beyond.

Paige LePine is UW Oshkosh intern introduction. Will be attending various meetings, help with events, get leadership experience and public speaking experience.

Correspondence: Gladys Flood, Alexi from Sonshine, Anthony Schmitz and Katie Murphy.

Addition to Agenda:

Cameron Van Loo - Going to Japan as part of the exchange program. Request for assistance in funding July 10th to August 8th.

Denise mentioned that individuals cannot fundraise for an individual for international experiences. Money goes to Leaders Association in a specified line. He turns funds in and will submit expenses. Total trip is approximately \$4,200. Has raised \$1,750 thus far. Denise mentioned that on March 7th 4-H is having a booth at Ag Showcase and offered this as an opportunity to fundraise money for his trip.

Discussion of how much to give Cameron. Denise does not recall the amount that was given to Olivia Engelhardt two years ago.

Motion to give \$750 to Cameron for his trip to Japan. 1st Lorna, 2nd Rose. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Pins or not for recognition at Leader Recognition Banquet.

2012	67 attendees	35 eligible for pins	\$441.24 cost of pins	\$12.61 avg cost
2013	75 attendees	57	\$645.75	\$11.33
2014	60 attendees	62	\$468.14	\$7.55

2015 Leader Association Goals

Handout: Fond du Lac County 4-H Regional Rallies Each of us represents various clubs as highlighted on handout. Suggestion would be officers from the club, teenagers, and volunteers from the clubs to host club for this event (i.e. meeting site). Purpose to inform about opportunities that are available, partnership with youth partnerships, conversations around volunteerism, marketing and promotion, making connections, etc. Ideal: we would have new connections between clubs, increasing visibility of 4-H, reaching out to local communities, etc. "Regional Roadshow Rally"

How do we make it worthwhile and not just a meeting? Shelly said, "A snowflake never built a snowman." Can we show the opportunities that can get greater involvement?

What is the end result and what would the goal be? Recruiting, service projects, create partnerships between clubs, recruit adult volunteers, inform youth about opportunities

We can start by building relationships with clubs and then move ahead.

Could we do a survey? Perhaps let's talk about it at the Leaders Meeting in March. Can we leverage an existing event to perform this activity? Denise will print off this information to have available.

Expenditures

Leaders Association contributed for a 4-H member to attend Advanced Space Academy. He wrote an article for Family Times.

Two girls went to Winter Leadership Camp. One wrote an article for Family Times.

New Business:

Cheers for Volunteers

Mary Karrmann was our Volunteer of the Year.

Alison will submit paperwork for Cheers for Volunteers through the Volunteer Center of Fond du Lac County.

Review Draft of Leader Meeting Agenda for March 14th 9-11 Am Room AE205/206 UW FdL

Miscellaneous modifications to the draft agenda.

Lemonade Day

We were contacted by the Fond du Lac Association of Commerce, May 2nd there will be Lemonade Stands run by local students. So far we have 14 children to participate. There will be publicity in the newspaper. Same as city-wide rummage sale. There will be prizes.

Fashion Review Thursday, April 23rd at UW Fond du Lac jointly with Winnebago County

Winnebago County asked to join our event. Last year we had only seven entries and four participants.

Cloverbud Camp

Coming back this year. Open to the public. Will be held at UW-FdL Prairie. August 5th tentative.

Upcoming 4-H Events: Family Learning Day, 4-H Camp, Cloverbud day camp, Young Dreamers

First time we've opened up Family Learning Day to the public. 12 registered thus far.

One youth from Young Dreamers will attend Wisconsin 4-H Youth Conference.

Capitol Connections

April 30, 2015 10am – noon - Madison Concourse Hotel and Governor's Club with elected officials.

Cream Puff Tickets

9,000 tickets ordered (same as last year) Will be ready to distribute at March 14th meeting

Discussion about clubs that don't typically sell Cream Puff tickets. Suggestion to have board members contact clubs thanking those that have generously participated in other fund raising activities and request participation in fundraising events.

Contact information for General Leaders will be sent to all board members.

Next Meeting

Saturday, March 14th 9-11 AM UW-FdL Room AE205-206 – Fond du Lac County 4-H

Leader Association Meeting

Thursday, April 16th, 6:30 PM Fond du Lac County 4-H Executive Board Meeting

Motion to Adjourn 1st Kim 2nd Karen