

# 4-H Executive Board Parents and Leaders Association

## Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 19, 2018

### **Members Present:**

Monica Lobenstein(UW-Extension)	Natalie Cogswell ( President)
John Ross(Past President)	June Johnson(Board Member)
Tricia Waughtal(Vice President)	Lori Janke (Treasuer)
Tricia Waughtal (Secretary)	Kelly Brasada (Member at Large)
Stacy Shramek (Club Rep)	Mindy Wagner (Club Rep)
Deb Johnson (Club Rep)	Aimee

### **Next Meeting: Executive Board Monday, April 16, 2018**

#### **1. Call to Order**

- a. Natalie Cogswell called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

#### **2. Pledges**

- a. Pledges were recited.

#### **3. Agenda revisions or agenda items added from the floor-none**

#### **4. Committee Reports**

- a. Small Animal-Auction is on April 7th
- b. Horse-nothing to report
- c. Dog-nothing to report
- d. Dairy-There is a meeting tonight. YQCA encouraged this year and will be a requirement next year
- e. Shooting Sports-Air rifle is still going on
- f. Cloverbud-1<sup>st</sup> event was held. It was Calm & Creative Cloverbuds with smoothies coloring sheets, and yoga. There were about 15 youth in attendance
- g. Livestock-Around 50 beef were weighed in. The June multi-species workshop is coming up and they are looking for speakers that are well known in the industry. There are also other counties interested in this. There is a beef safety workshop coming up at the Spring Thaw show in April. They talked about the grant writing and what they are going to do. The scale that is used has to be a certified scale and they are looking for a smaller scale for swine/sheep weigh in. The swine show will be a terminal show due to disease and there will be no rate of gain for swine. Exhibitors need to register their pigs at the end of April since there will

be no initial weigh in and get their tags. The youth then need to tag the animal and send a picture in to the extension office

- h. Fair Park-There is a potential renter for the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of May in 2019. They are looking to someone to do food if this becomes a reality.

#### **5. Treasurer's Report and Association Bills**

- a. John made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Lori seconded.

#### **6. Secretary's Report**

- a. Aimee made a motion to approve the secretary's report as presented. June seconded.

#### **7. Old Business**

##### **a. Grant Applications**

- i. A new application has been worked on. After discussion it was decided that added to this application would be, "Describe the educational value of this event." and "What are your plans of how this project will continue, improve, or sustain after grant funding ends." It was also decided to add that an older youth or a representative from each grant request granted come back to the Parents and Leaders Board and report how the grant was used for that project/activity.
- ii. Deadline for requests was set for Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 4:30 pm. No late requests will be taken.

##### **b. Plat book**

- i. We have had sales of \$8000 in ads. Marcy Burk says that mapping will start in April and will have it us by May 1<sup>st</sup>. We have to proof and send it back by the end of May so the 1<sup>st</sup> batch can be printed and sent to us by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

##### **c. Community Donor letter**

- i. Discussion has been about how to reduce donor fatigue. The Parents & Leaders will set up parameters of when letters can go out for donations and to whom. The Parents & Leaders have developed a policy, cover letter, and a template for the letter. There is also a letter of acknowledgement that would go out to the donor. The letter template was generated based on feedback given by businesses. It was strongly recommended that there be education offered about requesting donations for our clubs and committees.
- ii. The policy that was drafted was discussed and a timeline for when letters go out to solicit donations was also discussed. No decision was made yet as the policy will be send to members of committees to take back to their groups for discussion and review.

##### **d. Fair Park/Food Stand**

- i. Remodel-The Fair Park is not really looking to replace the walk-in cooler. There has been \$2000 to make changes. An option has been to take out the walk-in cooler and make it a dry storage area. John Ross and Steve Peterson will be finding out the costs for this option. We have to explore

options as to sustainability of the food stand. There will be something in place for this year's fair.

- ii. Manager-There are no applicants as of today. Is anyone interested? Is it possible to contact the local tech schools and see if there is any interest from a student who is in a food service program?
- iii. Committee-Food stand committee to meet.

## **8. New Business**

- a. Scholarship Committee
  - i. We have 4 applications. There was some confusion about requirements and are we going to accept late applications? A motion was made and seconded to accept applications until March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 4:30 with Deb abstaining. Natalie and Tricia will meet with applications for interviews in early April.
- b. 4-H Recycling Bins
  - i. The fair park wants to do more recycling at events. It was suggested that the 4-H recycling bins be donated to the fair park and they are responsible for breakage and damage. A motion was made by Stacy S to give the black recycling bins on wheels to the fair park. Deb seconded. Motion passed.

## **9. Staff announcements**

- a. The 4-H coordinator position has been posted. It is ½ time Jackson Co. and ½ time Trempealeau Co.

## **10. Adjournment**

- a. John made a motion to adjourn. Tricia seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.