

On Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 the Aurora County 4H Leaders meeting was called to order in the Courthouse Community room by President Cheryl Dethlefsen at 6:05pm. Tina Kieffer, Traci Moore, Audra Scheel, Jill Harris, Cheryl Dethlefsen, Todd Clark, Sue Faulhaber, Tara Bush, Elaine Schabot and Audrey Chapman were in attendance. Flag pledges were led by Clark. Secretary report from previous meeting was read and approved with a wording change. Treasurer report was given by reading a note from Howard who was unable to attend. Premium checking is \$2521.51, Savings \$7458.53 and Regular checking was \$1224.00. One bill from SD Mail was presented for mowing ad for \$74.74. Schabot moved to pay this bill with a second by Clark. Motion passed. There were no checks to deposit.

#### Old Business:

Discussion on the 4H area. Have had interest in using arena this year and next year will be our turn to host the TriCounty Horse Show. Upkeep needs to be done. The show arena also needs looked at to level off the front area where there is a low spot.

Fundraising will begin July 1<sup>st</sup>. It is asked for each family to sell 15 tickets. The tickets will be \$10.00 for one and \$25.00 plus a camel clip for 3. Tickets will come in a bundle of 15. One leader per club will be the contact and speaking up at the meeting were: Faulhaber, Dethlefsen, Bush and will ask Becky Moore if she will do it for their club. Tina had a ticket prototype and will have them numbered for easier logging.

Community service project has been a success, and donations are continuing to be accepted. So far 71 glasses and 6 lenses were delivered by Traci Moore to the Lions in Mitchell.

Schedule for achievement days was discussed. Issues were brought forth as some members will be gone for other activities and ag building rented out. Bush moved to have county achievement days August 2 (static) and August 3<sup>rd</sup> (livestock) with BBQ starting at 5pm-6:30pm, second by Harris. Motion passed. Livestock will start with rabbit and poultry, moving into larger animals and finish with ultrasound competition. During BBQ, pie auction will be held (judging will take place on Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>) and fashion showcase. If a member has registered animals and is unable to be present to show at county achievement days, substitute may be used but must have taken YQCA class. Weigh ins for anyone wishing to compete in rate of gain will be May 26<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm.

Currently there are 61 members, 7 Cloverbuds, and 18 volunteers representing 30 families.

Movie ticket/cash prize drawing was completed. There were 16 projects entered with Cali Howard, Jalyn Moore, Trayton Moore, Lexy Faulhaber and Aubrey Moore winning this round. Second drawing is May 27<sup>th</sup>.

DNA envelopes are in the office and NUES tags. Registration is open in 4H online for animals. Families have until May 31<sup>st</sup> (11:59 pm) to enter animals. Companion animals have until August 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 PM, but it would be appreciated if you would enter them for county also so that we have a count.

#### New Business:

Mowing at 4H grounds was discussed. Dethlefsen had done some prework before meeting with county or 4H board. County is asking if whomever we select to mow would also do mowing around ag building knowing that the county will pick up that expense. Three bids were presented. Motion by

Harris to have L&B Variety Services mow this year, Schabot seconded. Motion passed. Skyler Kehn, weed supervisor, will take care of spraying.

Central Electric is holding their annual supper on June 7<sup>th</sup> at the Ag Bulding. They are asking if the 4H Club would prepare food, set up and serve. Supper will be a to go box option. Becky Moore, Bush and Ashley Howard will be on the committee to get this set up. It was decided to go with whichever meat is up for serving at 4H BBQ so that if leftovers, we can reuse. Country Kids 4H Club will use some of their Dairy Grant money to purchase Ice Cream for dessert.

CDM/Hort contests, Fashion Revue, Special Foods/Top Chef and Communications/Public Presentation options were discussed. Special Foods/Top Chef will be held July 8<sup>th</sup> with a CDM/Hort Judging contest set up and Fashion Revue along with Communications/Public Presentations will be held July 27<sup>th</sup> with a CDM/Hort Judging contest set up. Another CDM/Hort judging contest will be setup Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> during the static event judging at achievement days and an online version will be available.

New display exhibit form was discussed. If in person judging, form is not needed and is strongly suggested on non-judged exhibits. Talk of not limited in person judging was held, just limiting it to two projects at a time before you have to go to the back of line.

4H insurance is \$1.50 for regular member and \$2.50 horse. Each club needs to get their check into office. Clark moved for leaders to send in payment for insurance, Traci Moore second. Motion passed.

One application was received for scholarship, so Cortney Olinger will be awarded the Cheryl Moore scholarship this year.

IDEAg fundraiser was discussed, it is held with Dakotafest and all information can be found online.

Because of limiting of 4 static exhibits per member, discussion was held on a TV with USB plug and pictures of members and their exhibits be run during State Fair. Motion by Schabot to purchase a TV for this purpose and use at other activities (during BBQ supper, ect) for 4H, second by Clark. Motion passes. Sue will get this purchased asap.

Best of West sanctioning fee was discussed. Faulhaber moved to sponsor the \$250, second by Clark, motion passed.

Buckle series was discussed. Faulhaber moved to sponsor the \$38.33, second by Traci Moore. Motion passed.

No other business was presented. June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 at 6pm will be the next leaders meeting held at the Ag Building.

Meeting adjourned by Dethlefsen at 7:56PM.