

Monterey County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes

Date: January 16, 2018

Location: Salinas Ag Offices

Time: Called to order at 7:01pm by Tim Lewis. Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H pledge led by Tim Lewis.

Roll Call:

President: Tim Lewis (KCBR)

1st Vice President: Kelly Violini (Hilltown)

2nd Vice President: Diane Vorwerck (Mission)

Treasurer: Diane Vorwerck (San Benancio)

Secretary: Hana Ferguson (Buena Vista)

Staff: Lorin Lurz, Darlene Ruiz

Club Representatives and guests

Aromas: Christina Nelson (youth), Michael Nelson, Jacque Palmer

Buena Vista: Mackenzie Keslin (youth), Catherine Miller, Travis Tanaka

Chualar: Angie Horwath, Dena Sala Jenkinson, Sierra Sala (youth)

Gonzales: Cherish Yebra (youth), Colleen Yebra

Greenfield: Luz Maria Arqueta, Elizabeth Hernandez

Hilltown: Grant Cremers, Ian Cremers (youth), Peyton Jeffrey (youth)

King City Blue Ribbon: Lily Rangel, Jesse Udezma (youth)

King City Rural: Carla Ackerman, Marti Ackerman (youth)

Lockwood: Megan Weferling (youth), Morgan Hancock (youth), Misty Hancock, Staci Wilkins

Mission: Adam Guidotti (youth), Garrett Guidotti (youth)

Natividad: Janet Wohlgemuth

Royal Oak: JoAnn Etchison

San Benancio: Aiden Banks (youth), Autumn Banks (youth), Kat Banks, Patty Busch, Jamie

Pavek (youth), Luke Vorwerck (youth)

Spring: Kelly Violini

All Star/CTA: Mari Horwath (Chualar), Alyssa Hurtado (Hilltown), Daniel Kennedy (Hilltown),

Julaine Mullaney (Aromas)

Additions/Corrections to Agenda:

Lorin Lurz requested that Darlene Ruiz be added to Staff Report.

Secretary's Report: Hana Ferguson

There was a motion to approve the September and November meeting minutes. Vote and motion passed.

1st: Janet Wohlgemuth

2nd: JoAnn Etchison

President's Report: Tim Lewis

Tim thanked the large crowd for attending.

Treasurer's Report: Gidget Guidotti

Beginning balance: \$63,637.76

Total Income: \$6,714.04

Total expenses: \$4,458.65

Ending Available Balance: \$65,893.15

Morgan Stanley: \$55,549.49

Pacific Valley Bank: \$54,399.04

CD Total: \$109,948.53

Combined total: \$175,841.68

Fundraising Committee:

Alex Burgess and Payten Jeffrey passed out fliers for Color Me Green and stressed that it is a fundraiser for the council that will be held march 17th, 2018 at the fairgrounds.

Kelly Violini talked about a paper clover campaign by JoAnn's Fabrics during the month of February. Visit 4h.org/JOANN Fashion for details on that and a 4-H rewards program.

Numbers from *Giving Tuesday* are still developing.

Youth Reports/Club Sharing:

Alex Burgess and Payten Jeffrey presented their club's "whites" donation drive for victims of the Sonoma County fires. 4-H whites, hats, scarves/ties, bags, etc. can be dropped off to the county ag office by the end of the month. They also presented fliers for their club's pancake breakfast and silent auction on February 3 from 8:00-11:00 at the county ag office.

Morgan Hancock talked about her club's bowl-a-rama. She also shared that members of her club are excited for upcoming fair season and are purchasing fair animals.

LWF Delegation Report:

Mackenzie Keslin shared that she will be representing her club and state at Leadership Washington Focus in July in Washington DC. there are 3 other delegates from our county. The pre-order lunch being served at field day will benefit her group. LWF is open to 4-H members of middle school age.

Youth Council:

Mari Horwath, Sierra Sala, Ian Cremers, Jaime Pavcek, Marti Ackerman, Luke Vorwerck, and Megan Wasson talked about their officer positions within youth council. The group presented their county "Year book fundraiser" idea. The group will collect photos from clubs to include in the yearbook to be presented at Achievement Night. There will be a contest at Field Day to design the cover of the book. They encourage early donations to guarantee a book.

All Star/CTA Report:

All Stars Daniel and Julaine talked about the upcoming Youth Summit where they will be presenting a leadership session called "Unmask the Superhero in You." It will be held near La Honda and this is the replacement for the LCORT conference through the Bay Coast Area. CTA Mari Horwath wants to visit your club! Contact Dena Jenkinson or Catherine Miller for an appointment.

To follow the All Stars and CTAs on Instagram visit

@montereycounty4h

@monterey_county_ctas

Committee Reports:

Animal Field Day (Chualar): Angie Horwath reminded everyone to RSVP by the 20th to receive lunch and door prizes. The event is held at two location on January 27th & 28th through LA Hearne. The flyer has been circulated and registration is open via an online process.

Fantastic Field Day (KCR): Carla Ackerman reminded everyone the event's date is February 10th. It will be held at SVF in King City from 9-1pm. A community service aspect has been added.

Vegetable Judging (Mission): Gidget Guidotti talked about the event and Ian Cremers helped explain how to study vegetable judging. A gold medal can be awarded but only if members reach the score level expected.

Dessert Judging (Lockwood): Entries are accepted at 8:45. See flyer for details. Staci Wilkins wanted to remind everyone that Clover Bud members are able to participate but not eligible for medals. There will be a gold medal and a People's Choice category.

Poster Contest (KCR): No report.

Judging Contest (Aromas): Jacque Palmer talked about the Dutch judging system. She explained that some items will be physical and some may be on a poster.

Educational Rotation (KCBR): No report.

Livestock Judging (Chualar): Angie Horwath explained that there will only be one rotation and that session will last 30 minutes.

Bowl-a-Rama (San Benancio): Patty Busch talked about the event's large turnout and how they got help from resident bowling expert/camp director Rod Ichikawa. The event was held in Salinas and a large number turned out to play from a variety of clubs.

Color Me Green (Hilltown): Grant Cremers went over prices as members presented fliers to the council. Clubs with the largest percentage of members signed up will win an ice cream party put on by the committee. This is a council fundraiser on March 17th, 2018

Fashion Review (Buena Vista): Event date is April 28th. Travis Tanaka spoke.

Incentives & Recognition (Hilltown): Emerald Star update- Kelly Violini spoke about plans of an outreach booth at fairs being created by the 2 members applying for the star.

Camp Program Report: Gidget reminded everyone of an optional fundraising opportunity for teen counselors to attend camp for free by raising a certain amount of funds. Camp will take place from June 17 – 22 in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Camp planning meetings are underway.

Calendar: Sectional Presentation Days and Fashion Revue added. Kelly Violini and Lorin Lurz explained that registration for Sectionals Presentation day will not go through the county office. ‘

Staff Reports: Lorin Lurz, Darlene Ruiz

Darlene talked about reaching out to local high schools for a new pilot program that will focus on college prep. She is also excited to be a chaperone for the Youth Summit. Contact her at druiz@ucanr.edu.

Lorin announced that camp teen counselor positions have already been filled and reminded everyone that adult volunteer registration will be online. Camper applications will also be online with medical release forms attached.

County Presentation Night registration will also be online with a February 12th deadline. Once everyone is registered clubs will know how many judges to send based on the ratio. Returning adult volunteers must finish enrollment by February 28th or risk not being covered by insurance; meaning they will not be able to run meetings, be chaperones, etc. Lorin encouraged club leaders and VECs to reach out to those who still need to complete registration. Special webinars are being offered online at various time to capture and complete adult enrollment. All clubs are encouraged to hold a Mid year review with the youth officers to look for strengths and weaknesses or missing goals. She shared the plans for the Valentine's card making event at Joann on Feb 3rd. a goal of 150 cards for meals On Wheels is planned. All clubs are welcome to send a member. She attended winter technology meeting in Merced and has committed to trying the online registration system for events. She will also be attending a 4-H professional conference in Fort Collins and will be out of the office for one week. Be sure each family has signed up for the county 4-H newsnotes as that is how information is disseminated.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

None.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm by Tim Lewis.

1st: Staci Wilkins

2nd: Gidget Guidotti

Next Meeting:

February 20, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Salinas Ag Offices.

Submitted by Hana Ferguson of Buena Vista 4-H