

Orange County Council Minutes 5/25/21

Attendance: Rita Jakel, Brian Montes, Sandy Jacobs, Beverly Schrieber, Bird Garcia, Laura Castillo, Allison Kari, Elizabeth Broadbent, Esperanza Reyes, Niki Miller, Helen Chen, Rebecca Russell, Heather Witcher, Maddy M., Lauren R

Call to Order: Brian Montes opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

4-H Pledge: Lauren R. led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the 4-H Pledge

Review Minutes: A **motion** to accept the minutes as presented was made by Bird Garcia, seconded by Niki Miller and Passed.

Treasurer's Financial Report: Bird Garcia gave the following Treasurer's Report. At the beginning of April, our checking account balance was \$36,329.16. In April, we had four checks cashed and we made a payment to Quickbooks. So our ending balance in April was \$35,881.79. Our Savings Account balance on April 1st Savings Account was \$33,114.47. We had interest earned of \$00.27. And a Quickbooks update - I was able to get everything into Quickbooks and added. I just need to get Brian over the report, so we can go over exactly which reports, we want to run and all that good stuff. Bev asked for a copy of this report. Rita asked if the report please be sent to the Finance Committee so they're on board for when you have to do budget for next year. Quickbooks was \$35.00. We got a 50% off discount up until June. After June 2021 it'll go to \$70.00 for the year subscription. We have a check written for the endowment. That's taken care of. We'll get it in the mail here in the next couple of days. That will go out to fund the endowment. A **motion** to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted was made by Niki Miller, seconded by Sandy Jacobs and passed.

New Business Discussion

Fee Structure - 2021/2022 year: Rita Jakel explained that we have the proposal that when you enroll the first youth at \$80.00 plus a \$25 family fee. Additional Youth Members are \$80 each. Adult volunteers pay nothing and we talked about the pros and cons of this. One is that the actual adult fee for next year is \$29.00. No adults are paying. All the program fees next year will be paid by credit card so there's no burden on club leaders and obviously we still have fee waivers available for families in need. Every family will pay at least \$125.00 fee, no matter how many youth they enroll. The state fees did increase for both adults and youth this year. A **motion** to accept this Fee structure was made by Heather Witcher, seconded by Niki Miller and passed. 2 people abstained. Rita will be sending this information out via e-mail.

Countywide Project Updates

Citizen Science - Kyle Ward - Concluded - Rita said that Kyle has offered to have this program again next year, if we want to pursue countywide projects.

Cloverbuds - Allison Kari said that the project just had our last meeting. We had a fantastic last meeting and a great year and we are hoping to do it again next year with our leadership team. We would love to have other leaders join.

Community Service - Kelly Speakman -Concluded - Rita said that they have literally donated hundreds of items to Animal Shelters, Meals on Wheels, and Neighborhood people in need. It's been a great project, in fact, a compliment to the project is that it is being used in summer camp, as one of the sessions. One of the daily sessions will be just mirroring what we did, using the same projects we did in the videos that Isabel created. They will have the daily sessions at Summer Camp. Also Big Brothers Big Sisters want to use that program or a model of it in their Big Brother Big Sister Little Brother Little Sister Program. It is pretty neat to see that recognition for them.

Computer Science - Tyler Corliss - Concluded

Dance Project - Kelly Speakman Rita said that dancing will also be offered in summer camp by the same team and offering some actual dance classes and dance appreciation.

Drone Project - Brian said that the Drone project is wrapped up. Josh is going to run it again in the fall. We will get it on the calendar, well in advance so everybody that can plan, and then a lot of people who weren't able to make it this time, that showed an interest, will be coming back in the fall.

Reports

Teen Council Update - None

County Ambassador Reports - Esperanza said they wrapped up for the year and we're just lucky to have a little celebration for the County Ambassadors. They worked really hard. We're working around graduation practices and schedules, etc. New applications are going to be out soon, and I look forward to having lots of new County Ambassadors joining the team.

Committee Updates

Nomination Committee – Allison and Liz - Allison said that their work for the year is done now. We've done our nominations and hopefully everyone has voted already and we'll find out the results of our election tonight.

Record Book Committee – Chair Allison Kari spoke. We had a fantastic meeting that was a joint meeting this month with the INR committee. We were able to speak with them about some of the things that tie in between the I&R and the Record Book Committee and we came to some conclusions. We kind of expanded on what we were doing with them. It was a good start and will probably continue to have a couple more meetings with them in the future.

Scholarship Committee – Chair Sandy Jacobs said that the committee met on May 3rd. We finished out the year by approving more applications for State Leadership Conference. Everyone who submitted an application was awarded a scholarship this year, because everything is virtual so our fees were low and we were able to accommodate all of the kids. Rita said that we have 5 for Youth Summit. One went to National 4-H Conference and there was no fee for this. We have 8 for State Leadership Conference. We have Molly with costs for the Emerald star awards for the rabbit showmanship and then James and Audrey and Iris for Summer Camp.

I&R Committee – Chair Sandy Jacobs - Met yesterday with Record Book Committee.

Outreach & Marketing Committee - Brian Montes said that tomorrow, I have a call with Jeremy and he has volunteered to help us with the marketing side. We'll work together to start to build a committee for this. We do still need a chair for leadership development.

Leadership Development - We need a chair and task force members.

4-H Event Updates

Clover-Joyed Spring Recognition Event - Brian said that Rachel Johnson agreed to chair. Rita said that the event can be held at SCREC.

Clubs Updates – Review of the projects each club plans to offer this year:

Fountain Valley Cloverdales - Maddy M reported that they voted for their board and had one of our last meetings and our next is going to be a little celebration.

Fullerton Feeders, Breeders & Seeders - Liz said that they had their **last meeting in May and we voted in our new board. We also had** five kids do the hippology for the state. and we had two and you are three in juniors to an end to an intermediate. Niki also reported about Presentation Day and the Poultry, rabbits, Improv Kids, Regionals, State Classic. We'll have our Year End Event with horses then we do a Barbecue and give awards out in our backyard and we're done for the year.

Fullerton Hills - None

Jordan Jaguars - None

La Habra Hilltoppers - Laura Castillo said that they had to cancel our main meeting because we were actually going to have it outside and the weather was so bad that I had a whole bunch of kids say they were not going to be able to come, so we canceled it, but we are going to have virtual elections and our June meeting to end the year. Proud of the kids at state for helping and participation and winning awards.

Lake Forest Superstars - None

Mesa Goathill Gogetters - Allison said that they had nominations last month for our board and this month we will be having our elections. We are going to be meeting to plan our end of the year celebration coming up here in the next week and we were also very proud of all of our kids that just did so well at state, both in MGG and through orange county all together.

Orange Acres Backbreakers - None

Orange Villa Buckaroos - None

Trabuco Trailblazers - None

Tri-Cities - None

Yorba Linda Cloverleaf - None

DSAOC Superkids - None

Brian wanted to thank Wes. The **Livestock Event** went smoothly and was great. Wes should receive a lot of recognition for the event that he helped coordinate. It was really, a good event seeing the FFA and the 4-H kids come together and be able to get back into their first livestock show. Everything went smoothly. The judges were

great. So kudos to everybody who helped put that together, because it was really a well run about. It was smooth and the few things that came up got solved quickly and the owner seem to really enjoy having us on the property and said that anytime we want to come back we may. You seem to be receptive to it so great job by everybody who helped with that event.

Sandy - **State Fashion Revue** - We had six kids go to state fashion review, (Jaz, Gracie & Molly, Iris, Riley and Piper.) They all did really well.

Election Results - Allison reported that the results in, and I will read them now. O We had 11 votes total for both positions. It was the same we had 82% at yes to bring Brian Montes back, as our President, and to elect Gina Montes to Recording Secretary. And 18% for No. Welcome to your new and returning positions you 2. We are happy to have you.

County 4-H Program Representative Reports & Updates - Rita talked about the May 2021 Update - Wrapping up 2020-2021 - Summer's Coming! - Planning for 2021-2022 - Clover-Joyed Spring Recognition & Family Fun Day - Use SCREC on June 19th - Time TBD - Need feedback. - Piper offered to do games for the kids. - Food is not an option - County Ambassadors will Emcee this event - Dominique and possibly Serafina - June 4 - Big Dig Day - Leader Roundtables - June 3 & 5 - Opportunities - Rebecca Russell and Sandy Jacobs spoke about their experiences on State Advisory Committees. - Enrollment Updates - Calendar and Planning - Changes Ahead - Deadlines Ahead - Brian appointed Beverly Schrieber to take over as **Corresponding Secretary** for the next year.

A **Motion** to accept this appointment was made by Laura C., seconded by Liz B. and passed.

Section & State Reports - Reports elsewhere

Adjournment - 8:25 pm

Next Executive Board Meeting – Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 7:00 PM (Virtual)

Next Orange County 4-H Meeting – Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted by

Beverly Schrieber