**Mendocino County 4-H County Council**

**Date: March 09, 2023**

**Time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm**

**Location**: UC Cooperative Extension Office

Ukiah, Ca.

**ZOOM Option Info:**

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**MEETING MINUTES**

**Members in attendance:**

**In person:** Barbara Elmer; Jessica Farfan; Gina Weaver; Jenny Vagt; Meave Johnson; Jessica Fracchia; Abigail Comstock

**Via Zoom:** Nora Bertorelli; Maci Gamble; Andrea Firks; Taylor Buzzard; Siobhan Perea; Shannon Aiello

Call to Order/Welcome - 6:12 PM

Review of past minutes (Meeting November 11, 2022) - Abigail motions to approve minutes; Gina seconds motion, motion passed.

Treasury Report & Budget - Nora presents treasury report, Council reviews profit & loss detail. Discussion regarding County budget approval. Nora presents proposed budget - reflects prior approved budget, includes omission in color run and addition of club fees. Jessica Fracchia makes motion to approve budget, Abigail seconds motion, members vote unanimously. Budget approved. Abigail makes a motion to spend $100 on 200 checks, Gina seconds motion, members vote unanimously, motion passed.

Staff Report: Jessica Farfan - Abby, staff asst., has returned PT (1-5 PM, M-F). State Field Day May 27th. 4H Online is changing to Z-Suite, will be shutting down June 23rd - August 15th. New system offers higher security, etc. Refer to February Newsletter regarding sales tax - maybe subject on certain items sold by 4H. Knitting machine donated, accepted as county-wide donation. Jessica Farfan will be out of office week of March 26th.

Club Reports:

Ft. Bragg/Mendocino Spartans - Jessica Farfan reports for Natalie: Three officer mee-

tings so far, projects have not yet started.

Long Valley - Andrea: Some project meetings have been cancelled due to snow. Rabbit

group met recently. Beef group is up and going; swine group, leather group, archery up

and running. Generally doing great. Many members were unable to attend Presentation

Day due to weather. Discussion in having youth members either recording presentations

or presenting at a later date. Discussion regarding availability of partial scholarships for

4H Summer Camp - funds are available.

Potter Valley - Maci & Nicole: Awards ceremony pushed back to next month. V-Day

cards delivered to senior center. Sewing group has been meeting. Rabbit show coming

up at the end of next month. Working on planning extravaganza. Meetings are happe-

ning.

Redwood Valley/Calpella - April 1st Spring Field Day at Rainbow Ag - photo booth,

goodies etc. Photography group going well, cooking group will bake goodies for event.

Beef group recently had 1st meeting. Arts & crafts group is making items for Caring Kit-

chen Meals. Operation Tango Mike is coming up, March 16th. Club received community

service award from RVFD.

Round Valley - No report.

Ukiah - Floral group had V-Day arrangement fundraiser. Delivered Valentines to Red-

wood Cove Convalescent Home. Presentation Day was a success, unfortunate for youth

members who were unable to make it. Cooking group is taking a break. Bee group has

been meeting. Photography will be meeting. Sewing group is meeting. Arts & Crafts

starting soon, archery starting soon. Forestry project has been meeting. Sheep group

meeting. Dog group will begin soon. Rabbit & Cavie group has been meeting. Poultry

(Turkey) group is meeting. Swine group recently met. Horse group had last meeting prior

to birth of Devin’s baby. Presentation Day: Food sales- $236.00; Silent auction sales-

$452.00.

Willits - No report.

Old Business:

* Record Book (county judging update) - Jenny - Record book judging is done. 15 books were submitted. Kids did wonderful job. Judges came together to review books. Record books can be submitted to local club and move on to state. County review is more of a peer-review. In the future, parents, older youth members could contribute through record book judging.
* County Presentation Day - Gina - Overall it went well. Would love to see more involvement. There were a lot of donations. Barbara suggests doing presentation day workshops, perhaps a county-wide event in October? - idea to be calendared for May meeting. March 24th date was offered via Zoom for members who could not make it. Some members are still not able to make the March 24th date. Gina is checking with Sacramento office to see if video recording is acceptable for skit presentations. Discussion regarding adding presentations at Extravaganza, putting some of the presentations into down time. PV will discuss in leadership meeting.
* New Memorial Scholarship available for county members - Jessica Farfan - In honor of Kyle Colton Pinton, 4H Alumni. Mother is fundraising and would like to distribute to Mendocino County 4H; three different $1,0000 scholarships, her goal is to have it completed and available by May.

New Business:

* Scheduling Council Peer Review - Jessica Farfan - Has not happened in several years. Just like a club peer-review. Need four different people to audit the book (2 adult, 2 youth). Jenny will send an email out with Friday dates to set up audit.
* County Extravaganza - Jenny reports for Lovi - For cooking, arts & crafts, photography: would like to put out classes that are relevant rather than classes with several entries. Lovi will be by tomorrow to set up extravaganza box.
* Change in County Council meeting location for May & July dates - Jenny - Meetings for May & July are unavailable in conference room. In May, Jenny offers to host meeting at house (dinner), invite families, etc. May 11th 6-8PM. July location TBD, times and dates will remain the same. We will discuss potential meeting locations.
* County Fundraising - Suggestions for county-wide fundraising: haunted house; human race; tri-tip dinner events happening on the same date countywide; Yokayo Elementary is having a Fall Festival and include 4H booths, i.e. petting zoo; Dine & Donate; Kohl’s donates to nonprofits; Feed store shop & donate; Jessica Fracchia’s company donates to nonprofits as long as it’s specific.
* County wide community engagement - In May meeting: get together calendar with events. For next year, editable calendar with community events and fundraising.
* Other New Business - New members would like to show animals in fair, passed market deadline. Asking for approval to show in fair. Ukiah members who joined in January denied, RV members accepted.

Committee Reports:

* MCJLAC - Turkey weight adjusted to 30 lb. Steer, April 15th deadline. Show works will be used for registration. Only allowed on fairgrounds with one ear-tag. When weighing in - if ear-tag does not match registration, animal will be sent home. PROP 12 - letter required for swine at Fair.
* I & R - Tabled to next meeting
* Other committees for consideration: Finance & Funds, Expansion & Review, Program Development - Tabled to next meeting

Announcements & Upcoming Dates:

* Additional announcements - proficiency deadline April 30th.
* Upcoming dates:
  + May 20th Rabbit Days at Rainbow Ag; this year there will be a show and scoring as well as a cave expert.

Adjourn - Abigail makes motion to adjourn meeting, Barbara seconds motion. Meeting adjourned @ 8:37 PM