

Wisconsin 4-H State Adult Leader Council
Business Meeting
February 26, 2009
Wisline Phone Conference

Meeting called to order by President Linda Beres at 7:30 p.m.

Review and approval of Secretary's Report:

(Minutes were sent via e-mail to encourage the 4-H initiative of "Going Green".)

Mike Brunner made a motion to accept the October 18, 2008, minutes of the ALC Executive Board fall meeting. Kim Pearce seconded. Motion carried.

Set Agenda for Summer Meeting

Sue discussed the traditional run of the June ALC meeting in Madison: pledges, welcome, reports, discussions, updates and invite a guest speaker, talk to Greg Hutchins, Pat Harrington, and the YLC. Sue agreed to contact Greg about updates from program areas or UW-Extension. We agreed to have discussions and updates from Glen and Pat, and a shooting sports and SET curriculum update. Sue will share our agenda with Greg, and add additional updates as necessary. We will be meeting on Tuesday, June 16th in Witte Hall, Madison.

Short discussion on Risk Management concerning the use of a 10 passenger van, and what different counties are doing about it.

Old Business

• **Update from Fall Forum**

Discussion ensued about how the Fall Forum went on October 18 in Wausau. From the evaluations, Sue reported that the first concern was the facility (cleanliness, lack of courtesy, etc), with the second concern being that the day went too fast. Sue have us a summary on how the day went. There was a suggestion that we do the silent auction again, but that we have a set time for people to look and pay, so that they're not leaving/interrupting the session to bid. It seemed that most people enjoyed the worlds café, so we'll be looking at doing it again. Some topics for conversation will be discussed at our June meeting. (Topics already completed include: Strengthening Clubs with charter and member retention, and Keeping 4-H Relevant in the community, county and state.) (Some suggested topics include fair comparisons, SET, and how to support and strengthen up and coming areas of 4-H.)

• **Volunteer Endowment**

Glen reported. There is currently \$23,345 in the volunteer endowment. As of Monday, March 2, an additional \$10,000 will be coming.

New Business

• **Updates on Grants**

Fall received \$7,100; Fall Forum costs about \$6,000.
Applied for \$4,000 from the WI Foundation.

Monsanto will aid state fun for volunteer training activities. \$2,000 allocated.
Sue will be writing another grant for the YLC Spring retreat. It was reported that the kids have discovered use of D2L website (online interaction) instead of always meeting up in person.

- **Awards**

Ruth Sutton will be recognized at the North Central Volunteer Leader Forum in Lincoln, Nebraska.

At Fall Forum, Alex Benzing, Kim Pearce, and Betty Otter will review the applications and decide on our nominee at the Fall Forum. We will set a September deadline for volunteers to get paperwork in, and an October 10th deadline for offices to forward that paperwork to the ALC.

- **Community Service Grant**

This year, we have 42 applications totaling \$17,915. We have \$4,000 to give out.

Any Other Business

- **NCRVF**

From when we hosted NCRVF in '07, we have \$3,000 left over (for grants). Members shared concerns of people not being able to afford the conference. Glen and Gloria are part of a task force to discuss the future of the forum. They will be attending a group meeting at the end of March, and are looking for data and “bests” about it. In June, we’ll be discussing the possibility of a scholarship to help people get there. In 2010, Michigan will host. Gloria and Glen request a benchmark report. Also, a \$1,500 request for NCRVF Youth Delegates scholarship for registration. Grant review committee.

- **Links**

There was a question about the links on the website.

- **Charter**

Linda Beres and Don Kreul got the charter document. They will be ensuring that all endowments and paperwork are written properly.

Motion to close made by Diane Neff, followed with a second by Charmaine Benke. The motion carries

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Megan Suehring, Secretary