

## Sauk County 4-H Senior Leaders

### Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2009

Attendance: Tim Trower, Tina Raschein, Jean Sandmire, Jessica Jens, Dorothy Harms, Marla Kluge

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by President-Elect Tim Trower. The agenda was approved as presented. Minutes from the March 24 meeting were available for review. Marla moved and Jean seconded to approve the minutes.

The treasurers report was presented with \$8239.32 in the check book and total funds balance of \$20022.70. Bills to be paid totaled \$3909.21. Jean moved and Dorothy seconded to approve the treasurers report and pay the bills. Motion carried. Questions were raised about the loss of bulk mailing postage with sending fewer newsletters by postal mail. Marla will talk to Judy about current mailing costs.

Committee Reports: Fair Building – Jessica reported that after their last meeting inspecting the fair buildings, there was a long list of repairs for fair cleanup day. Broken windows in one of the exhibit buildings would need to be boarded up. Cost estimates for siding the exhibit buildings and light fixture replacements are needed repairs. Fundraising – Jessica has received several visits from the Rockford May representative complaining about the Sr. Leaders choice of Cloud Cartographics for the new platbooks. Awards – Jessica asked for an ad hoc committee to revise the ME form for trips. She suggested changing it to a 4-H resume and cover letter. Marla, Jean & Tim volunteered to serve on this committee. Livestock – Jessica received notice that the old horse and sheep/goats fair buildings were going to be demolished. Temporary stalls were planned to be used for horses. Sheep & goats stalls were being checked into. Expansion & Review – Sandy met with members April 14 and the group explored the following topics: Why are older kids leaving 4-H?; Why do kids stay?; more project leaders are needed – perhaps active recruitment of community members to fill these roles; and reaching out to unserved populations. The group agreed to meet in the fall. Sandy will pose some of these topics at the Club Leadership meeting.

Old Business: Sauk County 4-H will have an ad in the Baraboo Community Education bulletin at the end of summer. Super Saturday will be at UW-Baraboo in January 2010. John Levred was hired for the summer 4-H agent position and will be starting May 18. He has a film making college major and would like to creat 4-H promotion videos with the Ambassadors. Summer VISTA applicants will be interviewed next week.

New Business: The 4-H member selected for the Washington Focus trip has indicated she will not be going on the award trip. Unfortunately she did not notify the county 4-H office in a timely manner and Sauk County is still liable for paying for her trip reservation. Jessica told us a new 4-H club is starting in Merrimac based on charter school members. The summer VISTA personnel will be working with

HoChunk 4-H summer activities and North Freedom after school programming. A \$1300 grant was received for 4-H after school programs.

Dorothy moved to adjourn the meeting. Jean seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Harms, Secretary