

Sauk County 4-H Senior Leaders

Meeting Minutes

February 24, 2009

Attendance: Debbie Meister, Sandy Kracht, Lisa Brooks, Tim Trower, Hilda Hantzsch, Cayla Hantzsch, Janine Petersen, Raina Petersen, Jessica Jens, Dorothy Harms

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by President-elect Tim Trower. The agenda was approved as presented. Minutes from the January 27, 2009 meeting were handed out. Debbie moved to accept the minutes as written. Hilda seconded and the minutes were approved.

The treasurers report was presented in a written report in Marla's absence. The current checkbook balance is \$18826.30 with a total funds balance of \$30599.41. Total expenses submitted for approval was \$2952.52 with a request from Rock County 4-H for \$2843.37 for Southern District Leader Training. Rock County will be hosting next year's district meeting so remaining funds are transferred to the host county. Sandy submitted a report of club donations to the beef scale. It was suggested to review the fundraising efforts for the beef scale after the 2009 fair. Janine moved to accept the treasurers report as written and to pay the bills presented. Hilda seconded and the motion passed.

Committee Reports: **Youth** – Cayla reported that the junior leaders were going to present the Legendary Green Team at County fair again this year. A silent auction fundraiser was being planned for county fair as well. **Foodstand**- A contract for managing the foodstand was offered to Sharon Verthein. **Fair**- The committee will be meeting March 24. **Fair Building**- A meeting is planned at the fairgrounds in April to recommend needed repairs on fair buildings. **Awards**– It was suggested to offer a list of available projects to support with donations for Merit Awards to award donors. It was felt a few projects had too many merit awards and some projects offered few or none. **Exchange** – Lisa Brooks & Sandy Kracht are coordinating the 2nd year Montana exchange to visit Sauk County. They needed families that could host 3 older boys (ages 16-18). If host families could not be found, the exchange would be cancelled. **Expansion & Review**- Sandy Miskowiak-Larson is organizing a committee to examine current county demographics and explore ways to grow 4-H in Sauk County. The meeting is planned for April 14.

Old Business: Jessica reported on the Adult/Youth Partnership workshop in Spring Green on January 31. Ideas were shared on ways for adults & youth to have effective partnerships. This can be implemented in club leadership trainings. Fundraising – Calendar Raffle: It was suggested to that the best time to sell a calendar raffle would be during county fair. As time would be short on having this ready for this year's fair, it was tabled until the Sept. meeting. It was noted that funding goals and projected funding should be discussed at the Sept. meeting. A question was raised about money projected for Junior Leaders. It was recommended that JLC present a budget to request funds from the general 4-H fund. Jessica presented the bid from Cloud Cartographics. It was considerably less than the former platbook company. The number of platbooks sold per year from the UWEX office ranged from 200-300 books. It was felt 1000 books as purchased in the past years were too many as they became outdated in a couple of years. Debbie moved to purchase 800 platbooks to be sold for \$28 each taking delivery in Sept. 2009.

Janine seconded the motion. Further discussion amended the motion to pay ½ of the balance upfront and paid the remaining balance later. Motion carried.

New Business: The current president, Leigh Allen, has resigned from the board for personal reasons. Debbie moved to appoint Tim Trower to serve as acting President. Janine seconded and the motion passed. Jessica asked the board to consider using a part of the \$1000 budgeted for summer camp for camp scholarships to help out 4-H members who couldn't afford camp due to the current difficult economic situation. Raina moved to set aside up to \$100 for scholarships. Dorothy seconded and the motion passed. Jessica will put a notice in the next newsletter concerning camp scholarships.

Debbie moved to adjourn the meeting. Janine 2nd and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Harms, Secretary