

Sauk County 4-H Senior Leaders

Meeting Minutes

May 26, 2009

Attendance: Hilda Hantzsch, Kayla Hantzsch, Tina Raschein, Jean Sandmire, Janine Petersen, Sandy Mikowskiak-Larson, Jessica Jens, Dorothy Harms, Jason Kanable, Marla Kluge, Debbie Meister, Emily Rebhan, John Rebhan, Sharon Verthein, Elizabeth Lins, Carolyn Lins.

The meeting was called to order by past President Jean Sandmire at 7:04 PM. Emily & John Rebhan addressed the Senior Leader Board about financial concerns over the Citizenship Washington Focus trip which Emily was selected to attend. The minutes from the April 28 and May 5 meetings were presented for review. It was noted that in the May 5 meeting minutes, the amount of down payment (\$4500) for platbooks and the 4-H member's name (Emily Rebhan) should be included in the minutes. Jean moved and Tina seconded to accept the meeting minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

The treasurers report was presented with \$10047.87 in the checkbook and total funds balance of \$21834.64. Bills to be paid totaled \$1681.76. Hilda moved to accept the treasurers report and pay the outstanding bills. Jason seconded and the motion carried.

Committee Reports: Youth – Kayla H. reported 4-H ambassadors will be working with the summer agent to develop a 4-H promotional video. The Discover Wisconsin trip will be going to Madison later this summer. Food Stand – Sharon Verthein discussed suggestions of new food items for the 4-H Foodstand at the fair. Livestock – Sheep & Goats will be moved to the former horse barn at the fairgrounds due to the demolition of the old barn. Elizabeth & Carolyn Lins reported pens were needed to house the sheep & goats. Through a generous donation of time & labor from McFarlanes, the cost of materials for sheep & goat pens was \$7500. Richard Lins is constructing the pens which will be ready for the fair. The sheep & goat 4-H members have raised about \$1500 in fundraising efforts and plan to repay the fair board for the pens in a 5 year payment plan. A donation from 4-H Senior Leaders was requested but was tabled for discussion at the next meeting. Jessica suggested a written contract be drafted between the Fair Board and 4-H Senior Leaders with specific details for ownership, liability and payment. Sandy reported from the Livestock committee that this year's Meat Animal sale meal would be for buyers only and be catered in. A request for \$200 to pay for a guest appearance by Pam Jahnke was made. The livestock Twilight meeting is set for June 18 with speaker Bernie O'Rourke. He will address issues concerning COOL (country of origin labeling) and swine flu awareness. The Ag Olympics will be held. Expansion & Review – surveys will be going out to clubs to be filled out at upcoming meetings.

Old Business: Tim Trower is checking into filing a claim against Cloud Cartographics.

New Business: Sandy reported a marketing committee has been initiated to promote Sauk County 4-H. Tara Kindschi has offered to serve as chairperson. Promotional ideas generated at the April Club Leadership meeting included clubs working together within community events to promote 4-H (i.e. Reedsburg – Harvestfest, Baraboo – Faire on the Square, Sauk City – Cow Chip). It was suggested to host

a 4-H family fun day similar to last year but more affordable for families. Culver's fundraising efforts are set up in Reedsburg for October National 4-H Week but Sandy is still working out details for the other communities. Debbie shared a fund raising idea of silent auction baskets at the fair to be assembled and donated by each of the county clubs.

Debbie moved to adjourn and Tina seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Harms , Secretary