

Sauk County 4-H Senior Leaders

Meeting Minutes

November 25, 2008

Attendance: Jean Sandmire, Tim Trower, Leigh Allen, Jessica Jens, Marla Kluge, Dorothy Harms, Debbie Meister, Hilda Hantzsch

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Leigh Allen at 7:02 PM. The agenda was approved as presented. The secretary report was presented. Alyssa Hantzsch was accidentally omitted as one of the Outstanding Youth Leader winners. Jean moved to approve the secretary report as corrected. Leigh seconded and the minutes were approved. Correspondance was read from Emily Rebhan regarding her resignation as Youth representative from 4-H Senior Leaders board.

The treasurers report was given by Marla with a checkbook balance of \$26127.98 and total funds balance of \$37891.87. The expenses of \$2817.40 were presented to be paid. Marla noted she also received an email request from Lisa Knuth for postage for cards to fair Livestock bidders for \$50. Marla also pointed out that 2 clubs had not cashed their candy funds money check with one of them being lost. It was suggested to re-issue the outstanding checks to the respective clubs. Dorothy moved to approve the bill requests to be paid and to approve the treasurers report. Jean seconded and the motion passed.

Committee Reports – Fair building committee: The building committee has recommended after its last meeting to upgrade fair buildings #2 & #3. The first phase will be to prioritize needs and get cost estimates. It was recommended to utilize the history of the buildings through use of display boards. This is contingent on fair board approval. The next meeting will be in January 2009 to examine fund raising opportunities for this project at the 2009 county fair. Jessica commented that there may be grant monies available from Sauk County Arts, Humanities, & Historical Committee.

Livestock: Letters have been sent to clubs to request donations for repayment of the livestock scale loan. A request has been submitted to the Fair Board to increase commission from 2% to 3% from Livestock Meat Sale to help with promotion of the Meat Sale.

Old Business – 4-H Afterschool clubs has 3 clubs up and running in the Baraboo school district with 34 youth participating. Jessica reminded board members of the Youth/Adult Partnership workshop, January 31, 2009 with registration due Jan. 9. County fundraising - Further information about calendar raffles was detailed. After much discussion about fundraising efforts and uses of the funds, it was agreed fundraising should be earmarked for a specific purpose. Current funds available are adequate at the present.

New Business – ME Awards: Jessica announced the awards winners – State Youth Conference: Alyssa Hantzsch & Jenna Meixelsperger; Key Award: Casey Lendved, Patrick Boyd, Emily Rebhan; National 4-H Conference (Washington, DC): Casey Lendved; National 4-H Congress (Atlanta): Nolan Lendved; Space Camp: Joey Rebhan, Kori Beisbier, Ryan Knuth; Emily Rebhan: Citizenship Washington Focus. Jessica

said the State Youth Conference dates were changed to June 15-18 and is available to 8-10th graders. Helen Jackson (a former Sauk County Extension Home Economist) estate left a bequest for funds to youth attending the State Youth Conference. Six youth total can attend from Sauk County so there are additional openings available. It was suggested club leaders could nominate members to attend. Jessica also explained the President's Volunteer Service Award. It is a national recognition program based on hours of volunteer service. Emily Rebhan from South Lime Ridge club has applied for the Bronze award.

The county 4-H road sign on the Sauk /Richland County line was re-installed by an unknown source but is still not in compliance with Wisc. DOT regulations and a letter was received by the DOT requesting its removal. The sign is on Amish property and Tim Trower volunteered to meet with the landowner to request its removal. Super Saturday is scheduled for January 24, 2009 and presenters are still needed.

The next Senior Leader board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 30. Jessica asked board members to come prepared to set board goals for 2009. Jean moved to adjourn the meeting, Debbie seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Harms, Secretary