

Toole County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm on Tuesday June 22, 2010 by Treasurer Elda Nichols in the absence of President of Luanne Wallewein until Luanne was able to join the group part way into the meeting. Those present were Luanne Wallewein, President; Elda Nichols, Treasurer; Lynda Barker, Secretary; Diana Adamson, Deb Skartved, Julean Hanson, Angie Welker, Lindsay Welker, Jeanette Jergens, Shadee Jergens, Ryan Nieminski, Kramer Potack and Alice Burchak; Toole Count Extension. Alice suggested that the kids present go first so they could present why they were at the meeting and then be able to go without having to sit through the whole meeting. Kramer started by explaining that he had qualified for the National Shooting Sports Competition in Kerrville, Texas June 26-July 3 in the Pistol Competition. He explained the costs to the trip as well as the opportunities that it would give him as far as leadership in the local shooting sports club in future years. He explained that he would be able to only participate once for this competition as that is how it is done, you can only go once. He asked if the council would consider helping to sponsor part of his trip and also explained the sponsorships that he had already received. Shadee then explained her opportunity to also participate in the Air Rifle division of the same competition, her chance to work with other clubs next year in Colorado as well as her sponsorships she already had as well and asked for any possible support from the council as well. Diana Adamson requested that the record also show that Toole County actually had 4 youths from the shorting sports clubs qualify for the National competition in Kerrville, Texas. She felt that the youth in the club as well as the coaches should be commended for the excellent jobs they have done and the hard work they have all exhibited in order to have such a group of youth qualifying at this caliber of competition. The other 2 youths qualifying to go to Texas were Trevor Dodson and Clayton Lohr but due to circumstances they are not able to participate this summer. To each competitor and their coaches the council would like to say we are proud of you and your hard work. Well done and good luck to you that are going to Texas.

The kids and Ryan then left the meeting and we continued on.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 15, 2010 meeting were reviewed, Diana Adamson motioned that they be approved as written, Jeanette Jergens seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Elda Nichols stated that there was a card from the Foundation thanking council for paying Ambassador dues and that if anyone was interested she had it at her office and they could see it if they wished.

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer's report was reviewed and discussed by council. Elda explained items and interest rates of savings vs. CDs. Diana Adamson motioned that the treasurers report be approved as read, Angie Welker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Committee/Event Reports:

Archery Building Report: Deb reported plans are in limbo at this time until they find out if they get the grant from FWP to help with the insulation, new lighting, new bathrooms, heating and air conditioning. The grant is a matching grant for \$50000 and they should know by July 1, 2010 whether or not they are approved. Until then work is limited but plans continue to be worked out.

Project Day: Alice reported that although the participants were not as numerous as one would have hoped, project day held on June 8, was still a great success and those that did have the opportunity to go had a great time.

Camp: 10 kids from Toole Co. , 1 Glacier Co. and 10 Pondera Co. went as campers plus Bryan Barker and Tawnie Gardipee both from Toole Co. went as councilors. Ula Umdahl drove the bus, Carrie Lerum

and Alice Burchak also all went as chaperones for the group. They ended up using the Galata bus instead of the Headstart bus due to mechanical problems but that it worked well for them. Carrie also used her pickup to help haul things down as well. Alice also reported that for the first time in possibly history there were more boy campers than girl campers so the guys each had 15 boys in each cabin.

Ag. Committee: Luanne reported that ag. committee met and have now placed dog committee as a sub-committee under the ag. committee.

Also a report of the food booth was given stating that the floor is now painted and looks great. There will be food booth cleanup on July 13 and gyro's will be tested that day as well since they are going to be on the menu for Friday at the fair. The new propane fryer was found by Fred Greco at a cost of \$800. Clubs from the various counties kicked in funds to help with the purchase and they did a great job at helping out with the purchase.

Old Business:

Investments with the Foundation Office were discussed. Alice reported that at this time there are not enough managed funds available to go forth with this for now.

Bylaws and charters for clubs are still being worked on and each club will need to have their paperwork, Charters and bylaws formulated by October 2010.

Other business was reported that country Kids purchased 3 new Hog boards for the fair.

New Business:

Council discussed the support we should provide to the kids going to National Shooting Sports in Texas this summer. Diana Adamson motioned that the council give each participant \$100 and to set this amount as the standard guideline we should use for any future National 4-H Event participants seeking sponsorship from the council. Deb Skartved seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Angie Welker then made a motion to pay the kids up front so they had money to travel with. Elda Nichols seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ambassador Update: Lindsay Welker will be Toole County Senior Ambassador this year and Haylee Fretheim will be the Prospective Ambassador. Both Maggie Fretheim and Bryan Barker have applied to the Junior Ambassador spot, they will interview with a committee of adults and one will then become the Jr. ambassador while the other remains as Prospective for this year. Interviews will take place sometime during the week of June 29th. Anna Fretheim and Angie Welker plan to be the Ambassador leaders together. Angie Welker motions that \$80 be used to purchase new Polo's for the Ambassadors, Diana Adamson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Congress: 8 youth from Toole County are going to Congress on July 6th. Alice and Anna will be driving six of them to Bozeman. Bryan Barker and Emily Kinyon will be attending Pre-Congress starting on July 4, Ramona is driving down for this.

Hero Packs were discussed for Congress. Each participant is being asked to bring 2 suggested items from a list provided. Congress planners are also asking for counties to kick in and send things for the hero packs. They are giving prizes for the counties that come up with the most items, the most creative and the most thoughtful items for the project. It was noted that Montana has one of the highest deployment rates in our Nation. Council decided to let each club determine what they may wish to send for the project. Alice asked that the clubs have whatever it is they are giving to the courthouse by 5:00pm on July 3rd so she could take it with the group on the 6th.

Project Book Completion: Guidelines for the checkers and the kids to keep track of were both sent out in new letter as well as at the meeting. Project books will be checked at fairground cleanup day July 17. All project books must be checked either there or at the extension office by July 19th at 5:00pm. If they are not completed and checked by this date the participant will not be eligible to show their projects at fair.

Dates set for future:

Record books due August 30, last Monday in August by 5:00pm

Roundtable Awards October 10

Achievement Day will be November 14. Sunburst Club is hosting.

Ag Days in Bozeman are November 5 & 6

Fall Project Day October 2

National 4-H Week October 3-9

Betty McCoy is in charge of the 100th Anniversary of Montana 4-H coffee table book that the state is trying to get put together. Each county has been asked to have a page about the history of 4-H in their county.

Next meeting of the Toole County 4-H Council will be held Monday, September 20th at 6:00pm in the Extension Office of the Toole County Courthouse. Angie volunteered the food for the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Barker, Secretary