

Grant-Adams County Council Meeting

Date: October 6th 2008

Meeting brought to order at 7:15pm by Ronda Fuhrman

Pledge of allegiance and 4H pledges recited.

Treasurers Report: No official report at this meeting.

Diane explained that there was to be a \$300 deposit made to Council for her taking part in a Wa. State program.

Diane asked if her bill of \$115 from a teen conference could be paid out of the \$300 dollars.

Ruth Petersen made a motion that C.C. should pay the \$115 bill out of the available funds being deposited. It was seconded, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Diane will contact the treasurer about the reimbursement of funds.

Diane Russo thanked those who had volunteered earlier tonight to help clean up the display cabinets. She supplied baked potatoes for the volunteers.

Area Reports: Diane suggested that the individual areas should give a report on what's happening in their areas.

Area III report by Ronda Fuhrman, she talked about the record books that were turned in for judging this year. Three of the books qualified to go to County and be judged, Yahoo!

Area III also has their fundraiser, Lions club dinner coming up in January. All Area III enrollment packets include a letter about the fundraiser.

Ronda and Donna Massey are attending Leaders Forum in Everett, October 17-19. At the next C.C. they will discuss what they did and any information that needs to be passed on from state level.

Area 1 report by Jeanne Finke, Area 1 does not currently meet. She asked that any Area 1 leaders see her after the meeting to discuss meeting officially.

Old Business:

Diane Russo wanted to thank everyone who helped to greet in the new Bldg. during GCF. She hopes to have a better response from clubs next year.

The required three meetings that leaders are to attend start over tonight as this is the start of the new 4-H year.

New Business:

It is National 4-H week, October 5-11

Diane announced that Susy Andersen will be recognized as Grant County Leader of the year at this years Forum in Everett.

Diana Schmid motioned that C.C. should pay for the registration and help with hotel bill so that Susy can attend the Forum. Ruth Petersen seconded the vote was taken and the motion carried.

Diane went thru the area awards for leaders. WSU recognizes leaders after 5years with a pin. Those present from each area agreed to pass on the pins to the leaders who had been recognized.

The extension office is no longer going to keep a supply of 4-H curriculum and publications. All publications can be downloaded or purchased thru a link on the extension website.

Marlene was introduced by Diane. Marlene is in charge of enrollments and she is handing them out tonight to those present.

Diane went over the entire enrollment packets. The extension office has had some challenges in the past with enrollments being done incorrectly or not turned in on time.

All leaders should make a copy of everything they plan to send in to Marlene.

Enrollment for existing clubs has changed from Dec. 15th to Dec. 1st.

Enrollments-all leaders and members must complete and turn in to the general leader.

Fill out everything!

Insurance form \$1 for basic 4-H

\$2 for horse

\$2 project assessment fee stays in County Council funds.

This is the \$3 fee that every member and leader pay with their enrollment.

Valuable partnership-**all** leaders must fill this out **every** year.

Volunteer application-**new** leaders only

4-H Emblem Use-very important! The 4-H emblem is like our state seal it even had to be approved by an act of congress. Make sure that when using the emblem it is being copied properly.

Treasury- this deadline date has been changed to Dec 1st. Every club must have an EIN number for tax purposes. The extension office will keep the clubs informed as new information becomes available. All club monies must be kept in a bank account. DO NOT let an individual keep the money.

Fundraised money can NOT be used as IOU or for any personal use. An entire club must vote on what funds are used towards.

Financial summary report-must be filled out and sent to the extension office with enrollments.

Secretary Book-due date has been changed from June 15th to Aug. 1st.

There has been a huge challenge in our county with deadlines being met. The extension office feels they will be forced to enforce consequences, such as clubs not being eligible to participate at fair if these deadlines aren't honored.

Exciting news, an act of congress approved Wednesday, October 8th as 4-H National Science Day. The extension office is celebrating by hosting a science experiment in their office Wednesday at 4pm for anyone interested.

Lori Bennett asked about goat codes for primaries. Marlene said to put a sticky note on the enrollment form to explain the situation.

Diane asked for discussion on requirements of members.

The discussion consisted of how many meetings are required, demonstrations, community service and record books.

What about a commitment letter of some type? The leaders discussed this and decided that a commitment letter containing requirements might be helpful. Diane will make a commitment letter available online on the extension site as soon as she can.

The consensus on requirements was; 6 general meetings attended, community service project, a demonstration and record books completed and given to leaders before fair time. At what level should these things be enforced? At what level county, area or club level.

Leanne Hickman asked what about the kids who belong to more than one 4-H club and show more than one species.

The group leaned towards the kid having to meet the requirements for each club. This would show the kids commitment to each club.

Photo Displays need to be purchased before next years fair.

There have been several complaints over Adams County Fair allowing slick shorn lambs after they said they wouldn't.

Carol Garneau explained to the council that Adams fair waited too long to have a sheer day, so when Carol was available there were only three weeks before ACF. This had to go before their board and be approved. This doesn't really console the people who felt it was handled unfairly.

C.C. has been contacted about a pen not being cleaned out after ACF. The pen was in the swine barn and the exhibitor failed to clean out the pen on the last day. C.C. passed the rule last year that anyone who did this would be fined \$40 per pen. Also the Adams County Fair Board could ban the exhibitor for the following year of fair.

Diane will tell the treasurer to bill the exhibitor.

Elections: President, vice president

Jeanne Finke nominated Dawn Clemons for president. Leanne Hickman seconded.

Dawn Clemons nominated Leanne Hickman for vice president.

Jeanne Finke seconded.

Jackie Pope motioned to except the nominations for President and Vice President. A vote was taken and passed.

Dawn Clemons is C.C. President for the term of two years.

Leanne Hickman is C.C. Vice President for the term of one year.

Dick Weitman will continue to be Treasurer and Ronda Fuhrman will remain Secretary.

Note, there is a mistake in the enrollment book. C.C. meets at 7pm not 7:30pm

Lori Bennett has been asked to take over as goat superintendant. She was told that C.C. and the Livestock committee have to sign off.

Jackie Pope made a motion that Lori Bennett be able to be the goat superintendant.

Jeanne Finke seconded the motion; a vote was taken and carried. Lori will now go to the Livestock committee to finalize.

Next C.C. mtg. is Dec. 1st

Pam Sortomme motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:25pm. Donna Massey seconded and the meeting ended.

Secretary,
Ronda Fuhrman

Attendance:

Ronda Fuhrman

Diane Russo

Donna Massey

Allen Smith

Samantha Bair

Ruth Petersen

Jeanne Fink

Pam Sortomme

Carol Garneau

Leanne Hickman

Dawn Clemons

Taylor Hunt

Makayla Gilpin

Fay

Copage

Jackie Pope

Lori Bennett

Diana Schmid