

Grant-Adams County Council
June 1st 2009
Othello Fairgrounds

Present: Ronda Fuhrman, Diane Russo, Dawn Clemons, Mark Weber, Pam Schmidt, Thomas Beppe, Jennifer Bagwell, Celeste Greene, Sue Dillman, Heidi Harrington, Holly Riehle, Kellie Ribail, Jessie True, Deana and Tom Freeman.

Secretary Minutes from 4-6-09: Pam Schmidt motioned to accept the minutes as read, Mark Weber seconded a vote was taken and passed.

Treasurers Report: There was not a report present so totals from April meeting were used.

Old Business

The discussion was on the 4-H Leaders Minimum Fair Requirement form that all leaders signed (I will attend three leaders meetings greater than my club level). The question presented to the council is does this fall under club representation or must each leader attend three meetings greater than their club? It was decided that this was under club representation by a leader or parent.

Mark Weber asked about the e-learning that's to be completed by all leaders and how some people don't have internet or do computers. Some suggestions were made to use the library or WSU office to take the e-learning. It can not be printed out due to copyright laws.

4-H Policy Amendments

Read and reviewed for clarification of amendments;

Policy Article II #2 & #8: After much discussion Pam motioned to except the amendments with the changes that the council discussed. Mark seconded, a vote was taken and the motion passed. This will be in effect as of October 2009 at the beginning of the next 4-H year (revisions attached).

Policy Article II#12 an addition to the Policy: The Council may approve any funds to be paid out under \$500 with only one reading. For example any reoccurring bills such as annual insurance payments may be paid. Anything over \$500 must be read twice and voted on. This is not to include any grant funds.

Constitution Amendments Read and reviewed for clarification of amendments.

II – Purpose

III – Membership

V – Areas

VIII - Amendments

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Newsletter: There have been questions raised about the monthly newsletter only being available online. It was decided that if the need is there for paper copies to go out to certain individuals that they must contact Diane and let her know of their need. It was asked if a club could donate money for postage and Diane said that would be great.

Secretary Books Due August 1st: Volunteers are needed to help go over 4-H Secretary Books on August 5th @ 9am in Diane's office.

Area 6 request to have C.C. pay for the smoke jumper was tabled until the Aug. mtg.

New Business

Extension report: Diane explained the changes that had to be made with 4-H Camp this year due to lack of volunteers. Camp is being held in ML at the GC Fairgrounds on June 19th and 20th. Registration is \$25 and may be sent to Darla Boothman.

GIS day is June 6th at the GC Fairgrounds.

4-H Teen Conference is coming up in June. Tony with Horizon is taking a group and might be able to help carpool.

The last PQA training is scheduled for June 16th.

Sheep and Goat information Day is June 18th

Last year the Council approved the purchase of new display pop ups for the 4-H building with a maximum cost of \$10,000 dollars. Jeanie Kiehn chairman of the committee has researched the prices and Diane presented the information to the council. Heidi Harrington suggested that the Council let Jeanie purchase the new displays at her discretion.

Area Reports

Area III is having another demonstration day at their next meeting on July 6th.

Area 6 next meeting is July 6th. Area 6 has two clubs that are struggling to meet the requirements that are needed to show at fair. Hopefully this will be remedied or the consequence is the clubs will not be able to show 4-H at fair.

WA. State 4-H Forum 2009:

Ronda Fuhrman gave an oral presentation on the 4-H leader's forum coming up in October this year. The Forum is being held at the Great Wolf Lodge in Grand Mound WA on October 16th – 18th. The question was asked will C.C. be paying registrations for leaders to attend Forum as they have in the past. Mark motioned that C.C. pay up to \$150 towards registration per person with a cap of fifteen individuals. Sue Dillman seconded, a vote was taken and passed.

Ronda handed out the 2011 Western Regional Forum pins with the cruise logo on them.

Sue Dillman brought a request to the Council for a 4-H family that is financially struggling. They are requesting a hardship to help cover the fees towards qualifiers. The Council discussed the issue and decided to refer it back to Horse Council. Pam made a motion to send it to Horse Council and if they give it the OK then C.C. will assist by paying \$30 per child up to 9 children for half of the qualifier fees, \$270. Sue seconded, a vote was taken and passed. The Council will wait to hear what Horse Council's decision is.

Mark motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:03pm

The next meeting is August 3rd in Moses Lake

Grant-Adams Area 4-H Policy amendments, revisions made 6/1/09

Article II Organization

2. Clubs are expected to conduct programs in public presentation, record keeping, educational programming and judging skills.

8. Each club is required to send a leader/representative to at least three separate meetings a year. This could include area councils, county council, county project meetings, county committee meetings, livestock committee and horse council meetings.

The Grant-Adams Area Leader Council has adopted this policy in an effort to help keep clubs focused on some primary beliefs of 4-H Youth Development. To do this, we are asking clubs to meet specific criteria (turn in completed secretary books, hold at least six meetings, enroll pre-existing clubs by December 1st, document community service, document demonstrations days, and document other educational programs.) Secretary books will be turned in to the Extension office by August 1st. A committee of 8 volunteers will review the books for documentation of the above items. **Those clubs not meeting the criteria as indicated here will be notified that their club members will not be eligible to participate as a 4-H member in either Grant County or Adams County Fair events.**

12. The Council may approve any funds to be paid out under \$500 with only one reading. For example any reoccurring bills such as annual insurance payments may be paid anything over \$500 must be read twice and voted on. This is not to include any grant funds.

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II-Purpose

This group is organized for the purpose of advancing the best interests of 4-H work in the counties and state through the cooperation of all area leaders, parents, volunteers and WSU Extension.

III-Membership

All enrolled leaders shall be eligible for active membership in this council without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin. All adult and teen enrolled leaders are voting members.

V-Areas

The Grant-Adams Area as defined by WSU Extension shall be divided into 8 areas. They shall meet in their respective areas every other month. In September the areas shall select a chairman, secretary, treasurer and such officers as they need to carry out their program. These officers are elected to one year terms, not to exceed two consecutive terms.

VIII-Amendments

Amendments to the constitution may be made if a quorum is met, or by two-thirds majority of those attending a regular meeting of the Council. Major program policy changes will require a minimum of two readings at the regularly scheduled meeting before policy change may be accepted.

(A quorum is a minimum of three persons in addition to the officers present)