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- I. The meeting was called to order by 4-H Council President, Nancy Perkins at 6:32 pm.
- II. The Flag Salute was led by Lakota Olsen of Wheatland 4-H and the 4-H Pledge was led by Cordell Taylor of Rocky Hills 4-H.
- III. A Roll Call was taken of all 4-H Clubs in attendance.
PRESENT:
Able Riders, Barry, Browns Valley, Dententer, Franklin, Guide Dogs, Hallwood, Hi 4-H, Rocky Hills Smartsville, Sutter Buttes, and Wheatland
ABSENT:
Arboga, Beale, District 10, Live Oak, Pleasant Grove, Plumas, and Yuba Hills (Yuba Hills – no voting rights next meeting)
- IV. **Guests:** Chris Greer and Mike Murray were in attendance and are ex-officio members of the 4-H Council.
- V. **Approval of Agenda:** It was suggested to move the SET report to New Business. A motion was made by Valerie Wilson and seconded by Stan Olsen to approve the agenda as modified. The agenda for the meeting was approved by voice vote.
- VI. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Sam Diaz and seconded by Dianna Taylor. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by voice vote.
- VII. **Correspondence:** None.
- VIII. **Announcements:** None.
- IX. **Treasurers' Report:**

As of 03/04/10 we had a balance of \$30,162.70
Danielle submitted a Treasurer's Report but was absent.
- X. **Committee and Program Representative Reports:**
 - A. **Executive Committee:** Since the council meets every other month the Executive Committee is tasked with making decisions in between meeting dates. Nancy spoke about the Executive Committee and the decisions they are tasked with making. The Executive Committee had voted on donating a pizza gift card to the club with the most Sectional Presentation Day presenters and volunteers as there was an overall lack of participation. We had committed as a Council to host the event yet we didn't have enough volunteers at the time to make the event work. The pizza gift card was for \$25.
 - B. **Sectional Presentation Day:** Sam spoke about Sectional Presentation Day and the lack of participants as well as volunteers. He explained that they met earlier today and discussed what they needed to make the event successful. We are lacking support from all of the clubs and Sam was very upset with the lack of response he's gotten. Nancy felt that the Bok Kai parade was a conflict for some people and Edona Miller from Wheatland mentioned that her club is still very young and it is a difficult event for them to help at. Megan let everyone know that entries are due Monday to the 4-H Office and entrants need to have a blue or gold to present at Sectional Presentation Day.

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- C. **Bok Kai Parade:** Erin reported that she doesn't have the information regarding the lineup yet but will email everyone once she receives it.
- D. **Fashion Revue:** The date was set for the Emblem Club fashion show and it will be held April 30th. The Committee will have a meeting the same day as commentator try-outs which is March 31st. Anyone that wants to be involved is invited to come.
- E. **Spring Fair:** Erin reported that everything is going well and pretty much organized. We will have some new things this year – SET projects- and for those that were unaware Spring Fair is an educational type day where members select their interests and we customize their folders. They go to mini-workshops and learn about various projects. Rocky Hills is doing a terrarium workshop because the Farm Bureau is sponsoring a Terrarium display in the Adventures Building. It was asked that all clubs try to help with a presentation or mini-workshop and some of the current workshops were listed as well as the clubs hosting them. Food booths are open to any club and Sam brought up his concerns regarding the attire worn during the Spring Fair presentations.
- F. **Goat Day:** Megan reported that Goat Day will be May 15th at Lindhurst High School.
- G. **4-H Camp:** Megan called an Adult Camp Counselor meeting and they were tasked with trying to come up with some new ideas for camp as well as assisting the Hi 4-H'ers with implementing the camp program. Mary Hall reported that 8th graders and above are invited to the Hi 4-H meetings if they are interested in helping with camp. The meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month at 7pm at the 4-H Office.
- H. **Craft Day:** Tommie Metz thanked all clubs that participated in Craft Day and reported that 65 people signed in. Rocky Hills provided snacks and lunch and Steven Sanchez took Valentine pictures. The kids had a great time doing the door prizes and the next Craft Day will be two weeks before Thanksgiving.
- I. **County Presentation Day:** Sam Diaz reported that in Colusa each club is responsible for hosting a County Presentation Day and it rotates around the clubs.
- J. **Livestock Committee:** Erin and Megan reported that Youth in Ag will no longer be able to accept donations for specific children and can only accept donations for the group at large. The Fair has offered to do add on bids this year since Youth in Ag is unable to do so for tax reasons. The Livestock Committee also posted a job list and Erin passed the list around the room. Anyone is welcome to serve on open committees and we will need a lot of help at the Fair this year.
- K. **CE County Director:** Mike Murray reported that he is very happy to have Megan back and he is very appreciative of the Office and the Executive Committee. He is here to support us and the program any way he can. He reported that there is some reorganization and budget cuts happening but he didn't think it would greatly impact the program.
- L. **4-H Program Representative:** Megan reported that she had to submit a tax return for the council and called and asked if a CPA could do a tax return for us. Megan will be a judge as to how expensive it is but it may need to be done.

July 20-22 is the State Fair Horse Show and anyone that places 1st at our Horse Show can participate.

It was approved last year to purchase curriculum and she is working on ordering new materials. She passed a list around to see if anyone had any other suggestions as to what she should order and wanted to be sure that project leaders are aware that we have new materials in the office.

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Any clubs still getting invoices for enrollment please contact the Office.

Year End Information is usually requested after June 30th but with the new 4-H online system you cannot update the system and Rene is going to send out notices in April as changes cannot be made by each club.

The Clover Chatter will begin to have a new look because the State is giving out more uniform templates.

Record Book Judging is July 17th and Megan has a few people on the committee but she is in need of a few more. Anyone interested in Record Book judging please let her know and plan on attending.

XI. Unfinished Business

- A. Camping Conference:** Stan Olsen reported that he and Tim Field are interested in attending the Camping Conference and taking a group of older members with them. They will have an Archery certification and hope to bring archery to camp this year. The conference is April 23-25th in Stateline, Nevada. The Archery course is a 12 hour course so it precludes other classes. Stan would like to take as many as 6-8 kids plus 2-3 adults. He would like the Council to pay for their fees to attend. Nancy discussed where the Council gets its funding and reminded everyone that we haven't had a fundraiser in the past 5+ years. We spend between \$8-10,000 a year and we have about \$26,000 in the bank. Nancy cautioned that we need to be fully aware as to what we spend and what we bring in. A suggestion was made by Stan to have the kids sign a contract and be willing to participate in camp for the next few years. Debbie Tarke suggested possibly doing matching funds with them fundraising the other part as they had to do to attend Cal Focus. Eric Jenks stated that members need to have a stake in what they are doing. Sam Diaz pointed out that the council doesn't do fundraising but that the clubs do and that maybe their clubs should pay for them to go. **A motion was made by Eric Jenks and seconded by Valerie Wilson that the Council donate 50% of the enrollment fee for up to 6 members with the preference of Hi 4-H members. The motion passed with a voice vote.** Sam and Debbie both agreed that the Council support should be for the kids and not the adults. Sam applauded Stan for his efforts and suggested he fundraise at club level. Megan will try to look into the camp budget and see if there could be a funding source so they can proceed with registering for the conference. Stan mentioned that as an adult was bored to tears at camp and wanted to do more - and find the camping conference a great place to start.

XII. New Business

- A. SET Training Report:** Stan attended a SET Training at UC Davis in January and will have a meeting March 12th at 6pm at the 4-H Office. He is in need of flip charts and donations are helpful. They will be working on Youth Experiences in Science and will be training teens to become the instructors. It was mentioned that we have SET funds in a subaccount and we can help fund small things like purchasing a flip chart.
- B. Fashion Revue Budget:** The budget was amended to add \$200 for floral bouquets. They had been donated in the past but they were unsure if they would be this year. **A motion was made by Steven Sanchez and seconded by Mary Hall to amend and approve the amended Fashion Revue budget. The motion passed with a voice vote.**
- C. Spring Fair Budget:** **A motion to pass the Spring Fair budget was made by Ronda Smith and seconded by Stan Olsen. The motion passed with a voice vote.**
- D. Sectional Presentation Day Budget:** Megan will re-email Community Club leaders about donations to assist in funding Sectional Presentation Day. **A motion was made by Valerie Wilson and seconded by Ronda Smith to approve the Sectional Presentation Day Budget. The motion passed with a voice vote.**

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- E. 2010 4-H Camp Dates:** Megan reported that Yuba County Office of Education is holding three weeks for us but with the Hi 4-H exchange trip the Camp Committee had suggested we move camp up to the 14th of June. **The consensus of the meeting was to move the date as suggested.**
- F. 2009-2010 Senior Awards:** A motion was made by **Sam Diaz** and seconded by **Tommie Metz** to maintain the \$150 Senior Scholarship Award for both counties totaling \$300. The motion passed with a voice vote.
- G. 2010-2011 Nominating Committee:** We are in need of nominations for Officers. It was suggested that Steven become Historian as he has done such an excellent job documenting our history as well as our current events. Nominations were opened up to the floor. **Stan Olsen and Pat Dickens were both nominated for Vice President. Erin Cucchi was nominated for President. Steven Sanchez was nominated for Historian.** Megan will post that we are looking for nominations and we will hopefully try to find some people willing to hold an office before our May meeting.
- XIII. Adjournment:** **Mary Hall** made a motion to adjourn the meeting and **Valerie Wilson** seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at **8:15 pm**. The next meeting will be held May 13th at 6:30pm at the 4-H Office.

Erin Cucchi – Secretary