

**SUTTER/YUBA COUNTIES JOINT 4-H COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 14, 2006**

- I. The meeting was called to order by Yuba County Council President, Tracy Bishop at 7:03 pm.
- II. All members said the flag salute and the 4-H Pledge.
- III. A Roll Call of all 4-H Clubs in attendance was implemented. The following is a list of clubs present and absent:

**PRESENT:**

Able Riders: Valerie Wilson  
Arboga: Dean Allen  
Barry: Sam Diaz, Danuel Diaz and Elizabeth Smith  
Browns Valley: Jan Kraus  
Dententer: Steven Sanchez, Tommie Metz, Gina Pico, and Dwight Cariker  
District 10: Joe Cassady  
Franklin: Nancy Perkins and Erin Cucchi  
Hallwood: Mary Hall  
Pleasant Grove: Heidi Fuentes and Stacy Reese  
Rocky Hills: Linda Olsen  
Smartsville: Dianna Taylor  
Sutter Buttes: Jan Quisenberry  
Wheatland: Tracy Bishop and Heather Stineman

**ABSENT:**

Bi-County Guide Dogs  
East Nicolaus  
Live Oak  
Plumas  
Yuba Hills

- IV. **Introduction of Guests:**
  - A. Ben Duran – Yuba County 2006-2007 All Star.
- V. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Sam Diaz and seconded by Jan Kraus to accept the minutes of the August 10th, 2006 meeting. The motion was carried with a majority vote.
- VI. **Approval of Agenda:** Jan Quisenberry called our attention to the fact that the National 4-H Week Committee was not listed on the Committee Section of the Agenda. A motion was made by Erin Cucchi to amend and approve the agenda. It was seconded by Steven Sanchez and passed with a majority voice vote.
- VII. **Correspondence:** None.
- VIII. **Announcements:** Willa Davis announced that County Director, Mike Murray, could not be in attendance, but he had attended the Camp M&O meeting earlier in the month and Sam Diaz would report on the matters he brought up at that meeting.

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**IX. Treasurers' Reports:**

**A. Sutter County** – report by Jan Quisenberry for Debbie Tarke.

**B. Yuba County** - None.

**X. Reporter's Report:** None.

**XI. Committee and Program Representative Reports:**

**A. Hi 4-H Report** – First meeting September 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office.

**B. Awards Committee** – None.

**C. Sectional 4-H Council** – Yuba/Sutter Counties 4-H Program is hosting on October 7, 2006.

We will be hosting it at the Sutter/Yuba 4-H Office from 10:00 am-3:00 pm with refreshments served at 9:30 am. All Council members are invited to attend. Training will be conducted by Willa Davis, Nancy Perkins and Katie Bogdonoff on “Creating Safe and Successful Spaces for Our Youth” that they presented at the November 2006 Council meeting.

**D. Fair Livestock Committee** – Erin Cucchi gave a recap of the Livestock meeting that was held earlier in the day. The Carcass Contest and Beef ribbon mix-up were discussed. There will be some minor health check changes and parking lot changes next year. She discussed trying to get belt buckles for all the Champion Animals. The Buyers Dinner will not occur until next July.

**E. 4-H Camp M & O Report** – Sam Diaz reported on the September 4, 2006 meeting. The caretaker Zane resigned and will be moved out as of September 30<sup>th</sup>. A group headed by Sam Diaz went to inspect the caretaker house. It was thought that it's in pretty good shape with some water damage, as well as siding and kitchen remodeling needed. Sam gave a rough estimate of \$60,000.00-70,000.00 for the entire cost of the remodel. Grant money, Youth Build, adult education and rice straw programs may be able to help and are being looked into. Funds of approximately \$119,000.00 received from the California Dept. of Forestry for logging should be able to cover the remodel, but a licensed contractor needs to do an actual inspection of the site to determine what needs to be done for code purposes. Jan Kraus made a motion that no more than \$10,000.00 be spent to complete the boy's showers and repair the kitchen storage room damage. Mary Hall seconded and motion passed with a majority voice vote from Yuba County Council. Tommie Metz moved no more than \$300.00 be spent on a termite inspection and Steven Sanchez seconded motion. Motion passed with a majority voice vote from Yuba County Council. The question was brought up as to who will hire the contractor and home inspector. Heather Stineman moved that Yuba County Council direct Sam Diaz to secure a contractor for the boys shower, storage room and caretaker house termite inspection. Joe Cassidy seconded the motion and it was passed by a majority voice vote by Yuba County Council.

**F. Presentation Day** – Willa announced the dates are established and have been published in the Clover Chatter.

**G. County Craft Days** – Tommie Metz reported that our first Craft Day will be Saturday, November 11, 2006 from 9:00 am-1:00 pm at the 4-H Office. She encouraged Arts and Crafts leaders from all clubs to participate. She would like door prizes donated and reminded everyone that it's considered a Bi-County event. Erin Cucchi and Willa Davis are looking into bringing down crafts leftover from 4-H Camp to be used at Craft Day.

**H. 4-H Spring Fair** – Jan Quisenberry questioned whether Kayla Taylor might be able to tie her Spring Lamb Field Day with Spring Fair. Dianna Taylor will look into it.

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- I. **Fundraising** – Erin Cucchi talked about the 4-H Cookbook fundraiser. She passed out some recipe forms along with a flyer. She stated she hasn't received many recipes back and asked that they be turned in to her no later than the October Council meeting. Mary Hall questioned where the proceeds would go and Jan Quisenberry and Nancy Perkins noted that it had already discussed that it would be deposited into each Council's general fund.
- J. **Fashion Revue** – Tracy Bishop reported that the 2005-2006 \$200.00 donation from Wheatland 4-H Club had been lost and a new check will be delivered to the 4-H Office.
- K. **Public Relations** – No Report.
- L. **Telephone Committee** – Nancy Perkins called all Sutter County Council members.
- M. **4-H Program Representative** - Willa Davis reported:
  - 1. E-mail communications will now be weekly. It was brought up that only Community Club Leaders receive the e-mails in the past and some active Council members felt left out of the loop. Willa reminded them that Community Club Leaders are to distribute information provided by her to their Project Leaders, including those who are active Council members.
  - 2. Amended the agenda to include a "thank you" note from Heidi Carothers from the Franklin 4-H Club regarding the Sutter County Senior Award (a belt buckle) that was presented to her at the Yuba-Sutter Counties Fair.
  - 3. 4-H Collars – The individual who made 4-H collars in the past cannot make them any more. We are able to get them from a supply catalog. It was asked if anyone knew of an individual willing to make them. Erin Cucchi moved to table the topic until the next meeting to give us time to inquire if there is any interest in making collars. Linda Olsen seconded it and it passed with a majority voice vote.
  - 4. Willa asked All Star Ben Duran to speak to the Council regarding his plans for the year. He hopes to focus on new Record Book training, providing a disc for all clubs and training members in completing their form in an electronic format.
  - 5. Study Adventure for teens and adults available to Yuba County members only.
  - 6. Cal and Washington Focus applications are still available and due into the 4-H Office by Friday, October 20, 2006 due to the State 4-H Office needing to submit information to National 4-H Office about Washington Focus delegates.
  - 7. Council Committees still need adult and youth volunteers.
- N. **National 4-H Week** – Jan Quisenberry explained National 4-H Week displays. Clubs need to notify the 4-H Office by September 26<sup>th</sup> as to where their display is going to be. Pizza coupons are generally given to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners by county. The money allotment per each county is generally \$25, \$15, \$10. Steven Sanchez moved to that Yuba County allot \$50 for awards and Heather Stineman seconded the motion. Linda Olsen brought up the fact that she was unaware of National 4-H week and that she felt that newer people should be told of these things earlier. Tracy called for a vote and the motion passed with a majority voice vote. Sam Diaz moved that Sutter County allot \$50 for awards and Jan Quisenberry seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority voice vote.

**VIII. Old Business:**

- A. **Tax Info for Zane:** A 1099 is required for this year and past years to be done by a CPA per County Director.

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- B. **Council Committees:** A sign up sheet was passed around. Tracy asked if we needed to fill the Achievement Night Committee. Nancy Perkins stated that we generally have a sign up sheet at our October meeting to assign duties and we have generally not had a committee. Numerous other long standing Council members agreed. It was decided that we would wait until the October meeting to assign duties.
- IX. New Business:**
- A. **Public Relations/Marketing Committee Members to be approved as Council Reporters:** Tabled until next meeting as members were not present. Willa Davis was out of the room when this topic was discussed. This topic was not clearly defined and will be brought up as New Business at the October Council meeting.
- B. **Record Book/Star Rank Judging:** A discussion ensued as to whether the previous Awards Committee was overtaxed in their duties. Tracy Bishop and Nancy Perkins both said that they didn't feel they were but that they had never been called on to do star rank judging before. It was brought up that the most Council members were under the impression that star rank judging was to be done at the County Office. Mary Hall brought up the fact that the County Office staff may be too bogged down to do this. Valerie Wilson stated that the County Office is more impartial and would do a more efficient job of judging. Liz Smith made a motion to continue to have the 4-H Office do star rank judging and keep only one Awards Committee and Sam Diaz seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority voice vote. Willa Davis was out of the room when this topic was discussed and voted on. This topic was not clearly defined and will be brought up as New Business at the October Council meeting.
- C. **Northern Section Council Meeting:** Tracy Bishop stated that we didn't need to go over this since Willa had already spoken about it. Willa Davis was out of the room when this topic was discussed. The topic was not clearly defined and will be brought up as New Business at the October Council meeting.
- X. **Announcements:** None.
- XI. **Adjournment:** A motion was made by Jan Kraus and seconded by Valerie Wilson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried with a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.
- XII. **Refreshments:** Franklin 4-H served refreshments and Wheatland 4-H is to serve refreshments at the October meeting and Barry 4-H is to serve at the November meeting.