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- I.** The meeting was called to order by 4-H Council President, Nancy Perkins at 6:31 pm.
- II.** The Flag Salute was led by Ashley Taylor and the 4-H Pledge was led by Emma Cucchi.
- III.** A Roll Call was taken of all 4-H Clubs in attendance.

PRESENT:

Arboga, Barry, Browns Valley, Dententer, Franklin, Guide Dogs, Hallwood, Hi 4-H, Live Oak, Pleasant Grove, Plumas, Smartsville, Sutter Buttes, and Wheatland

ABSENT:

Able Riders, Beale, District 10, Rocky Hills, and Yuba Hills (Rocky Hills & Yuba Hills – no voting rights next meeting)

- IV. Guests:** Chris Reyna from the Yuba County Office of Education came to our meeting to talk about 4-H Camp and the Yuba County Office of Education's role as the new camp managers. He discussed completed and planned camp improvements and asked that 4-H provide some in kind work /camp cleanup as we have done in the past. He left his information if individuals had questions or concerns. Chris' direct phone number is 530-749-4005 and his email is chris.reyna@yubacoe.k12.ca.us

It was discussed that we are in support of them making improvements but that they are possibly asking for something more than just clean-up days. He clarified that he is only asking 4-H to do basic surface stuff and the rest will be up to the Office of Education. Megan suggested that we again do an incentive to make it worthwhile for people to want to work and Nancy reminded everyone that historically we have about 20 people per clean-up day.

- V. Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Pat Dickens and seconded by Isabelle Garcia to approve the agenda. The agenda for the meeting was approved by voice vote.
- VI. Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Tommie Metz and seconded by Ronda Smith. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by voice vote.
- VII. Correspondence** – None.
- VIII. Announcements:** Megan had a few announcements for the council: The deadline for Cal Focus financial aid is 1/7/2010 and the deadline for registration is 1/15/2010. Cal Focus will be June 25th-June 29th and 8th grade graduates and above are eligible to attend. Megan also reported that the first Fashion Revue meeting will be 11/18 at 7pm. Committees have budgets need to submit them on a special form to the office. Megan also discussed Roundup at JCPenney's – a program that supports after school programs with funding. Presentation Day will be Feb 4th, March 6th and at Spring Fair. Nancy Perkins also announced that Franklin 4-H is selling mandarin oranges for \$7 per bag and she can give any other clubs the information if they are interested in doing a similar fundraiser.
- IX. Treasurers' Report:**

As of 11/12 we had a balance of **\$28,604.25**

Danielle submitted a report that had all subaccounts and transactions from October through our meeting in November.

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X. Committee and Program Representative Reports:

- A. **Arts and Crafts Workshop:** Saturday November 14th from 9am-1pm. They are still in need of crafts and Rocky Hills will be providing lunch. There will be a small charge per craft and please bring quarters if possible. Arts and Crafts Workshop is not a fundraiser just a fun day for the kids.
- B. **Hi 4-H:** They are doing their annual poinsettia sale and they have whites and burgundy left – they are planning an exchange trip to Indiana this year. They are also planning a Crab Feed in either February or March.
- C. **Junior Livestock Committee:** It was reported that everyone met in October after the restructuring and they plan on having 3 members from 4-H, 3 from FFA, 3 Community members, 1 Farm Bureau member, 1 Youth in Ag, 1 Fair Entry, the CEO and 2 Fair Board Directors. The committee plans on meeting four times per year to make sure tasks are getting done and there will be multiple subcommittees that will be completing the tasks. Erin Cucchi, Eric Jenks, and Megan Osborne are the committee members from 4-H. Erin is waiting to contact youth that are interested in being on the kids committee and Megan will gain work on the carcass contest.

XI. Unfinished Business

- A. **Christmas Parade:** Erin will coordinate with the office and we will use the large YS 4-H banner. Please contact Erin or Megan and let them know if your club is participating in the parade. It is Dec 5th and anyone is welcome. Bring your banner and uniforms are not required as it is too cold.
- B. **Mary Staas Award:** It was suggested that we give out an award in her honor at Fashion Revue. It was also suggested that we possibly get a bench at the Fair and it will be \$150. It was discussed that a bench is quite costly and that we again think of ideas and table this item until the January meeting.
- C. **Sectional Presentation Day:** We are hosting Sectional Presentation Day this year. It will be March 20th tentatively and we are currently trying to secure a location. Anyone interested in helping please let Megan know.

XII. New Business

- A. **2009-2010 Budget:** As new committees meet we will had amounts to it as it is a working budget. We used last years' budget to create the budget. **A motion was made by Kendra Schmidl to approve the tentative budget for 2009-2010 and it was seconded by Ronda Smith. The motion passed with a voice vote.**
- B. **Leader's Dinner:** The Leaders Appreciation Dinner will be January 14th. We are again having an ice cream social with a dessert themed potluck. We need clubs to provide drinks, ice cream, table cloths, silverware, napkins, and coffee. **A motion was made by Diana Taylor to budget \$50 for supplies for the Leaders Dinner and seconded by Chris Sullivan. The motion passed with a voice vote.**

We usually honor a community member that has helped 4-H in some way. A discussion ensued and a **motion was made by Pat Dickens to honor Tip Holloway and Randy Garrett and seconded by Isabelle Garcia. A friendly amendment was made to the motion to make the plaque amount no more than the amount of last years' plaque. The motion, as amended, passed with a voice vote.**

Each club is to honor a leader with an outstanding leader's award. If a club would like to honor more than one leader they have to pay for the additional leaders awards. **A motion was made by Eric Jenks and seconded by Christ Sullivan to budget \$150 for leader recognition plaques.** It was discussed to get 4-H fence signs at 6.75 each. **The motion passes with a voice vote.**

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- C. Cal/Washington Focus:** Megan discussed whether or not we should keep the funding the same for Cal and Washington Focus participants. It was discussed that some people were discouraged at the amount we gave last year to the participants. It was decided to table this topic until the January meeting so we can better know how many members and leaders are interested in going.
- D. New Secretary:** Marlene High had to step down from her role as Council Secretary. It was suggested that Erin Cucchi move into the role of Secretary from her role as Events Secretary. **A motion was made by Eric Jenks and seconded by Kendra Schmidl to accept Marlene's resignation and move Erin Cucchi into the office of Secretary. The motion passed with a voice vote.**
- E. Project Butterfly Wings:** Nancy Perkins explained that Project Butterfly Wings is a national program sponsored by the National 4-H Council and run through the University of Florida. Nancy and Danielle Coleman went to training at the State Leaders Forum and would like to start a Bi-County project and at first they would focus on 5-6 members from Live Oak and Franklin and see how it goes. Megan said she could order the manuals for them and they would like to have some information about it at Spring Fair to encourage people to join it next year.
- F. Gift for Marlene:** Nancy explained that as a 4-H Council we don't normally purchase gifts for people but since Marlene is such an integral part of our council and 4-H community we thought we should get her something. A discussion ensued as to what we should give her. Nancy suggested we give her an edible arrangement. Pat thought that was a wonderful idea. **A motion was made by Mary Hall to give Marlene an edible arrangement that costs up to \$75 and was seconded by Erick Jenks. The motion passed with a voice vote.**
- G. State Leaders Forum:** Erin Cucchi, Nancy Perkins, and Kendra Schmidl briefly talked about attending the State Leaders Forum in Asilomar.

XIII. Adjournment: **Tommie Metz made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mary Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.** The next meeting will be held January 14th at 6:30pm at the 4-H Office.

Erin Cucchi – Secretary