

**SUTTER/YUBA COUNTIES 4-H COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 8th, 2012**

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**I.** The meeting was called to order by 4-H Council President, Erin Cucchi, at 6:30 pm.

**II.** The Flag Salute and 4-H Pledge was led by the President.

**III.** A Roll Call was taken of all 4-H Clubs in attendance.

**PRESENT:**

Those present were Barry, Browns Valley, Dententer, Franklin, Live Oak, Olivehurst, Plumas - Arboga, and Smartsville.

**ABSENT:**

Those absent were Able Riders, Beale, District 10, Guide Dogs, Hallwood, Hi 4-H, Pleasant Grove, Rocky Hills, Sutter Buttes, and Wheatland.

**IV. Approval of Agenda:** The President asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Megan Osbourn said that we have the addition of the Council's representation at the March 24<sup>th</sup> Demo Day at Tractor Supply in Yuba City. **A motion was made by Annette Oswald to approve the agenda and seconded by Kendra Schmidl. It passed with a voice vote.**

**V. Approval of Minutes:** **A motion was made by Annette Oswald to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Steven Sanchez. The motion was approved with a voice vote.**

**VI. Guests:** None.

**VII. Announcements:** None.

**VIII. Correspondence:** The President read a Thank You note sent by Lindhurst FFA Chapter after receiving our \$100 donation to help offset expenses after the dog attack to their goat herd.

**IX. Treasurer's Report:** Kendra Schmidl reviewed the Treasurer's Report –**as of February 29th we had a total balance of \$31,214.70. She also went over all of the Sub Account balance.**

**X. Committee and Program Reports:**

**A. Executive Committee:** Erin Cucchi reported that the Executive Committee had approved the recommended 'Minimal requirement for volunteers to run for Council office'. It consists of the following: 1.) must be a certified 4-H Adult Volunteer in good standing for at least 2 years (including the current year). This will be verified by 4-H staff and conditional appointments must be approved by the County Director prior to running for office. 2.) Must have attended at least one S-Y 4-H Council meeting prior to being nominated for Council office. 3.) Must be present at the meeting at which elections are held.

**B.** There also was the issue that we inadvertently misworded sections of our By Laws referring to officer's terms. These will be addressed as potential By Law amendments under New Business.

**C. County Leather Craft Project-** Steven Sanchez said that his project is still going strong.

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- D. Citizenship/All Star:** The Citizenship/All Stars will meet at Franklin School Wednesday March 28 at 5:30pm while the Camp Counselors will meet at 6:45pm.
- E. Hi 4-H: None.**
- F. Junior Livestock Committee: it was reported that the Committee is still looking for interested committee workers.**
- G. Bok Kai Parade:** The two clubs attending were Dententer and Franklin. Nancy Perkins suggested that the Council not pay for a horse entry due to the fact that we had none, but we were placed directly in front of other horse entries.
- H. JC Penney's Pennies from Heaven:** the next one will possibly be April 11-24. Megan will email out the signup sheet/grid when she confirms the dates.
- I. 2012-Presentation Days:** Megan Osbourn reported that there were 30 participants for both days. The online registration was quite successful.
- J. Fashion Revue:** The committee met at Franklin School on Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> to tour the facilities and to get an idea about the step up for the event. It will be held on April 21<sup>st</sup> with a Mexican dinner cooked by Sutter Buttes 4-H leaders and the Fashion Revue starting at 7pm. There will be an addition of an Emblem Club plaque.
- K. Spring Fair:** Pleasant Grove's Kris Sullivan and Brandy Burnsed are in charge of the event this year. It will be May 12<sup>th</sup>. Next meeting to be April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the office at 6 pm.
- L. 4-H Camp:** Will be June 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> with the counselors arriving on June 9<sup>th</sup>. The theme this year is '4-H Camp is out of this World'.
- M. 2012 Horse Show-**Megan said that the date is now June. 16<sup>th</sup> at Butte Star Ranch in Sutter. There will be two Horse Show Clinics set for March 17<sup>th</sup> at Blue Haven Ranch in Loma Rica and on April 21<sup>st</sup> at Butte Star Ranch in Sutter.
- N. CE County Director:** Chris Greer discussed the possibility of a statewide grouping of multiple counties as one unit. There is a pilot program involving several counties that will become transitional in October.
- O. 4-H Youth Development Program Representative:** Megan Osbourn reported that the office is moving towards more online entries for events which will save time and money. It has proven to be quite efficient and effective. There are still some issues to work out with the smaller events/smaller fees and how/where those small fees would be submitted. There will be a cash box process which would include instructions to follow inside the cash box. Also—do not forget that there is a Mid-Year Fundraiser Form to be filled out if the fundraiser was not already listed in your Budget.

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**XI. Unfinished Business:** Council Officer Nominations—there has only been one person, Pat Dickens, who stepped up to nominate herself for the office of Vice President. Kendra Schmidl would like to stay on as Treasurer because she has a good handle on the job. Erin Cucchi asked if there were any more nominations. She said that she would serve another term as President as did Nancy Perkins for the office of Secretary. Nominations are still open until the first week of May.

**X11. New Business:**

A. **Amendments:** Erin Cucchi announced that we have the following amendments to our Bylaws.

In Article II Section 2-- we will delete the paragraph that has been crossed out referring to 'minimal requirements for volunteers to run for council office'—it shall read—  
'Adult volunteers, who are nominated and run for an office in the Sutter – Yuba 4-H Council, must minimally meet the following requirements:

1) Must be a certified 4-H Adult Volunteer in good standing for at least 2 years (including the current year).

a) 4-H staff will verify if volunteers are in "good standing".

b) Volunteers with Conditional Appointments must receive approval from the County Director prior to running for office.

2) Must have attended at least one Sutter-Yuba 4-H Council meeting prior to being nominated for Council office.

3) Must be present at the meeting at which elections are held (typically the May council meeting).

In Article II Section 2 - the part that reads-'All elected officers shall hold two year terms (add 'following elections').

In Article II Section 2 – An office shall not be held by the same person for more than two consecutive 'terms, or a total of four' years.

In Article II Section 2 – last paragraph shall read: Elections should be held 'before the' end of the 4-H year or soon after the beginning of the new 4-H year.

B. **4-H Camp Work days/Scholarships:** Megan announced that the camp scholarship applications will be submitted to the Community Leader who will then submit them to the office by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Once again, there will be some requirements involved such as the scholarships are not for adult chaperones, the scholarship cannot be utilized yearly by the same camper, and they will need to work at the Camp Work Day(s) which one set for Saturday June 2nd.

C. **Tractor Supply Event:** Lacy Lewin from Barry 4-H announced that Tractor Supply is holding a National Demo Day on March 24<sup>th</sup> from 10-5 for their vendors and clubs to participate in. They wondered if the Council would like to have a 4-H Booth there. Megan announced that youth participating in it could fulfill their County and/or club presentation requirement by working at the event at our table. She passed sign ups around and will have them in the office.

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**X11. Adjournment:** Tommie Metz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Annette Oswald seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm. The next meeting date will be held on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the 4-H Office.

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Nancy Perkins – Secretary