

## SUTTER/YUBA COUNTIES 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

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- I. The meeting was called to order by 4-H Council President, Erin Cucchi, at 6:32 pm.
- II. The Flag Salute was led by Abby Davis from Live Oak 4-H and the 4-H Pledge by Emma Cucchi from Franklin 4-H.
- III. Roll Call was taken of all 4-H Clubs in attendance.

### **PRESENT:**

Those present were: Beale, Browns Valley, Dententer, District 10, Franklin, Live Oak, Pleasant Grove, Plumas - Arboga, Rocky Hills, Sutter Buttes, and Wheatland.

### **ABSENT:**

Those absent were: Able Riders, Barry, Guide Dogs, Hallwood, Hi 4-H, Olivehurst, and Smartsville.

- IV. **Approval of Agenda:** The President asked if there were any additions to the agenda – there were none. She then said that she had one to go under New Business-that being the excess surplus items that are in our storage container and what to do with them. **A motion was made by Ronda Smith to approve the amended agenda and seconded by Kaylene Osgood. It passed with a voice vote.**
- V. **Approval of Minutes:** **A motion was made by Frank Dickens to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Rachel Goforth. The motion was approved with a voice vote.**
- VI. **Guests:** a Guide Dog presentation is on the agenda. Suzanne Herboldshimer expressed to the office that she is worried that they need two more members to keep their charter. The group had not yet arrived. Paula Lamb asked for contact info because she may have interested members
- VII. **Announcements:** Officer Training is Oct 13<sup>th</sup> along with Record Book training in the afternoon. All Star applications are due Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, Enrollment Scholarship applications are due 9/24, New Leader Orientations are Sept 20<sup>th</sup> and Oct 30<sup>th</sup> both having rsvp's requested.
- VIII. **Correspondence:** The President read a thank you note from Dententer members thanking us for giving some of them camp scholarships. Erin also passed around an example thank you note from Youth in Agriculture and noted that there was supposed to be a note from Tabbie Peterson, senior scholarship recipient.
- IX. **Treasurer's Report:** Kendra Schmidl reported that as of Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> - we have an Opening Balance of \$35,587.64 with a General Fund balance of \$26,729.36.
- X. **Committee and Program Reports:**
  - A. **Overall Committee list-** Erin Cucchi reported that even though we actually have many more committees filled –there are still open spots that need filling. The two Equine Advisory Committee Chairwomen have opted to step down for the upcoming year due to lack of aid and enthusiasm. Spring Fair still needs chairpersons as well as our need for a Sectional Representative.

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- B. Executive Committee:** The committee has discussed events for the upcoming year; scholarship procedures; as well as camp – which would reduce the cost for everyone instead of awarding scholarships. Tommie Metz asked if enrollment scholarships could be used for new members—the answer was yes. The Community Club leader will be the point person who inquires/distributes/collects/and returns the Enrollment Scholarship applications. Erin told the Council that the Horse Show was not well attended this year even though the Chairwomen put much time and effort into it.
  - C. 4-H Camp**—this year was another successful year with 104 campers. Erin and Tim are considering moving camp back a week or two to accommodate late ending schools.
  - D. Record Book Judging**—it well this year. Senior members who will be 14 by 12/31 can still enter in the State Record Book Judging, but their books need to be in by 10/19/12.
  - E. Fair Booth**—went well this year with plenty of interest and lots of giveaways for kids.
  - F. Countywide Leather Craft Project**—Steven Sanchez said that he will have something in the Clover Chatter with signups in October.
  - G. National 4-H Week** –is Oct 7-13<sup>th</sup>. Clubs will notify the office their locations, email or take in a photo of the display to Rene in the office. The theme is ‘Make the Best Better’.
  - H. Achievement Night:** is Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Veteran’s Hall in Yuba City
  - I. Craft Day:** is Oct 20<sup>th</sup> from 9-1 in the 4-H office. Tommie Metz said that Rocky Hills will once again provide and sell food for the event. Door prizes are at 12:30.
  - J. Christmas Parade**—will be December 1<sup>st</sup> in Marysville.
  - K. CE County Director:** no report.
  - L. 4-H Youth Dev. Program Rep.:** Job interviews to be held soon to replace Megan Osbourn.
- XI. Unfinished Business:** none
- XII. New Business**
- A. Council Budget**—The President reviewed the 2012-2013 Council Budget. She also noted that the Executive Committee is concerned with the low amount in the Agnes Puckett Scholarship Fund. Some discussion took place. **Pat Dickens moved that we take \$1000 from the General Fund and move it into the Agnes Puckett Fund. Kris Sullivan seconded the motion. Paula Lamb noted that we needed to add ‘amended budget’ in the motion. Paula then moved that we accept the amended budget including the addition of \$1000 from the General Fund and Kaylene Osgood seconded it. The motion passed with a voice vote.**
  - B. Proposed Calendar of Events**—the proposed calendar of events was reviewed. **Frank Dickens moved to accept the calendar and Ronda Smith seconded the motion. It passed with a voice vote.**

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- C. **Yuba Sutter Farm Day**—is Friday Oct. 12. Megan Osbourn from Y-S Farm Bureau has asked if we have any members who would be willing to work at the event. The President suggested that we allow those members to fulfill their County Level Presentation requirement while working at Farm Day. The caveat would be that our 4-H members be put in a more responsible role in order to get their requirement completed. Paula Lamb moved to allow County Level Presentations for 4-H members working at Farm Day with the condition that they hold a responsible role. Ronda Smith seconded the motion. It passed with a voice vote. Leaders were told to contact Megan Osbourn directly.
- D. **Achievement Night**- Erin Cucchi explained that Sutter Buttes and Able Riders had volunteered to completely put on this event – from set up to clean up. Sutter Buttes has also offered to bring the desserts. There was some discussion that the event has really become about the food. That it is hard to get members to attend when it goes so quickly. Nancy Perkins reminded everyone that we may have to be putting this event on by ourselves this year and perhaps we keep that issue as an open discussion to remake Achievement Night on the agenda. The President asked if there was any objection to Sutter Buttes providing the refreshments. Tommie Metz said not to look a gift horse in the mouth. **Kendra Schmidl moved to allow Sutter Buttes to provide refreshments. Kaylene Osgood seconded the motion. It passed with a voice vote.**
- E. **Added Item**—Excess surplus items. The President told the Council that the storage unit is overflowing with items that we used to have stored at Camp. Some of the items are outdated while others are possibly broken, while others are too large for the cooks to use in the kitchen. She suggested that we look into having a Camp Counselor Yard Sale and the proceeds would go into the Camp fund since Camp does not have any fundraisers. **Pat Dickens moved to go forward with a Camp Yard Sale. Kris Sullivan seconded the motion which passed with a voice vote.**
- F. **Lastly**, Kris Sullivan was concerned about the Record Book Training after Officer Training. Pleasant Grove signed up for Record Book Training. Kris is concerned that since she will not be able to attend and that they are not prepared for an online training, that this may be a problem. Erin Cucchi explained that it would just be a short online training with possibly utilizing our All Stars-Franklin Tarke and Rachel Goforth, who have quite a bit of knowledge on the subject. Jeanne Christenson said that she may be able to get someone from the State office to come help and that there is an online website/flyer for members to use.

**XIII. Adjournment: Tommie Metz moved to adjourn the meeting. Ronda Smith seconded the motion which passed with a voice vote at 7:50pm.**