Lorain County 4-H Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: July 20, 2022

Call to Order: Cory called the meeting to order at 6:31pm

Opening Pledges: Cory led the pledges

Guests: Cory's kids

Attendance: Carolyn Bishop, Hannah Buchs, Amy Gerber, Morgan Goss, Faye Handrosh, Holden Harker, Michele Hines, Rachel Krezman, Sue Malik, Becky Reed, Cory Seabold, Laura Smirz, Amy Smith, Brenda Teeters, Jane Urig, Adam Wilson, Julie Mackey, and Jacki Baca

Excused: Katrina Mackey and Kim Polen

Minutes: Morgan moved to approve the minutes as read. Brenda seconded and motion carried.

Correspondence: None currently

Treasurers' Report: Michele reported that as of July 1st the regular fund had $16,667.12 and the special fund had $7,981.65 with a checking account total of $24,648.77. The councils' funds had a total of $14,754.68. There was no income and no expenses. Filed for audit.

Payment of Bills: Michele presented a bill for Midway Trophy for $35 for dog show fair awards. This was presented in March and was approved for up to $75.

Committee Reports:

Ways and Means: Sue reported that she was having trouble contacting a representative from Pepsi but everything else was going well. We got a cooler and freezer from Stewart's. She brought up about a penalty fee for Junior Fair Board not paying their Milk Barn bill on time. Same as we imposed last year-an additional 10% for 30 days late, etc. Motion was made by Brenda to approve the penalty fee in accordance with last year and seconded by Faye. Motion carried. Sue also brought up about purchasing a box fan for the Milk Barn. Michele made a motion to purchase two box fans. Jane seconded and motion carried. A schedule was passed around for members to sign up for shifts.

Banner Club and Officer Books: Nothing to report currently

Audit: Nothing to report currently

Constitution Review: Will be presented under old business

Publicity: Nothing to report currently

Membership: Nothing to report currently

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Nothing to report currently

Junior Fair Board: Faye reported that it was a good meeting. They went over final changes. They had goat weigh in and tagged over 100 goats. They checked the barns for repairs/replacements. Members also talked about the Stock the Trailer event. Farm Credit and Rural First are sponsors. They are accepting non-perishable food items. Once fair is over, they will weigh the food and the county fair in Ohio with the most food in pounds will win $5,000 for their fair. They have advertised in the Clover Communicator, within clubs, WOBL radio and will be doing a press release for Facebook soon. It will run through the week of fair. Jacki gave a presentation. They went over budgets and scavenger hunts. Faye said that only 3 people showed up to get steers checked-next time they're going to add in goat and sheep. Their next meeting is tomorrow. Turkey pullorum testing is Sunday, July 31st from 2-5pm-Amy Gerber needs a final count.

Endowment Board: Nothing to report currently

Livestock Sales Committee: Faye reported that they are doing an add-on again like last year. This year-if you're adding on money, it will cost an extra $12. They will do a champion banner in front of the barn. They ordered the buyer photo plaques. Photo's for buyer plaques need to be dropped off in the box in front of the Junior Fair Board Office. They are looking for a different person to do buybacks pricing. They are also looking into having the sale computer and the Junior Fair Board computer "talk" to each other. This will be about $500 for someone to come out and set up.

Youth Report: Nothing to report currently

Sue received a letter from Lorain Medina Rural Electric Company (LMRE). They have given us a grant for $4,698 for new coolers for the Milk Barn. She will work with the Executive Board to complete the rest of the paperwork. She has also requested use of the Grange for storage of extra freezers/coolers and products as we've used in the past.

Old Business:

The constitution review committee reviewed the proposed changes tonight. Current 3 year members can vote for officers and one year members cannot. How the officers are elected-by majority etc. would go into the by-laws. There would be 2 years between going off the committee and being allowed to come back on. Morgan moved to go forward with the changes as currently written. Hannah seconded. Voting was do by a show of hands and motion failed. The constitution review committee will bring another version to the next meeting.

Leadership Award Update-it went out in an update email and there have been no applications submitted.

FCS Judging-the kids said it was good, organized, and had fun. Jacki said it went well and thanked Sue and Becky for helping with registration. Junior Fair Board did well and had it organized. There needs to be tweaks to the winning plans. Jacki asked for 5 more pledge cards to be created so each table has one for judging. They also continued the use of the quiet room. There were 112 interviews and about 30 participants in the style review. The committee will review style review components and menu requirements from online books.

New Business:

Volunteer banquet update-Jane reported that Fligner's would be $15.50 per person and we could save money by us serving-no refunds. Heck's chose the menu and would be $30 a person. Bread and Brew would be $15 a person. Old School in Litchfield would be $16.50 a person. Morgan moved to vote between Fligner's and Bread and Brew for the dinner. Holden seconded and motion carried. Voting was done by show of hands-Bread and Brew had 13 votes and Fligner's got 1 vote. Jane will get menu options together for the September meeting.

Extension Update:

Camp-Camps are done. Day camp got positive reviews. There were 48 campers for Cloverbud camp and it was a safari theme. Kelly's Island camp went well. There were about 100 kids and counselors. Jacki thanked Brenda, Jane, Amy and Faye for working so hard. Tim and Aaron were in the cabins with the boys.

Ag/Still Life Registration help is needed. It will be on August 10th from 4-8:30pm at the Lorain County Fairgrounds. Hannah and Sue will help with registration. Becky and Faye will help pass out the graded animal books.

There will be a winning plan training with the adult consultants on August 11th.

There have been email issues-there is a new system for mid-month update-it is not a bulk system.

The 4-H Education Board is recruiting alumni to do horse shows at fair. Jacki is taking lead on some shows to help. All mini horse shows are confirmed. They requested up to $200 from the saddle horse fund to get 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons for saddle horse groom and clean, versatility and fun show. Faye moved to approve the request and Brenda seconded. Motion carried. They are looking for advisors that don't have kids to help with the horse shows as well as reaching out to neighboring counties. Mini versatility will not be done this year due to low enrollment.

Any Other New Business- Hannah and her daughter Paige went to Washington D.C. July 11-14 for Health Equity. There was an application and essays to represent the state of Ohio. Sophie was chosen from Cuyahoga County. They would like to present to us in September to begin to get funding to start programming next year.

Cory-4-H Band will be in concert at Penfield on Saturday July 23 at 6:30pm. They are raising money to pay for the bus. They will be playing at State Fair on the 30th. They will be playing with Licking County. There are only 2 active 4-H Bands in the USA and both are in Ohio. City of Bay Village sharing concert on August 7th at 7pm in Cahoon Park-weather permitting. They will also be playing at Cuyahoga on the 1st day for their opening ceremonies. Will incorporate band schedule into the Clover Communicator.

Next Meeting-September 21, 2022 at 6:30pm. Amy G. moved to adjourn the meeting. Faye seconded. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.