Lorain County 4-H Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 19, 2022

Call to Order: Faye called the meeting to order at 6:32pm

Opening Pledges: Brenda led the pledges

Guests: Hannah Buchs son

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

Excused: Katrina Mackey, Becky Reed, Cory Seabold and Julie Mackey

Minutes: Were completed by Amy Gerber last month and given to Cory. Michele will email him to remind him about them.

Correspondence: None currently

Treasurers' Report: Michele reported that as of 1st the regular fund had $11,469.18 and the special fund had $7,981.65 with a checking account total of $19,450.83. The councils' funds had a total of $14,529.69. Expenses were listed for milk barn items and new checks were ordered. Deposits will be on next month's report. Filed for audit.

Payment of Bills: Michele presented several bills tonight. Saddle horse fun show and saddle horse versatility requested ribbons. Brenda motioned to pay $151.92 for the saddle horse fun show and $108 for saddle horse versatility out of saddle horse funds. Amy G. seconded the motion and it passed. The Extension Office sent a bill for new plates on the saddle horse trophy. Brenda moved to pay the $8.50 to Midway Trophy from the saddle horse fund and Kim seconded. Motion passed. Shooting sports requested funds to get two air pellet rifles fixed. They requested $250 for shipping and the rifles will cost $125 each to fix. Holden moved to pay for the rifles being fixed with funds coming out of the shooting sports fund with any overpayment and receipts to be refunded to the office. Amy S. seconded and motion passed. There was also a request for funds from Abby Chenowith for a 6x8 county banner for saddle horse for $150. Sue motioned to table this request until we get more clarification and verification on what the banner is for. Hannah seconded and the motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Ways and Means: Sue reported that the LMRE money for the freezer/cooler still hasn't come in. Ed Stewart from Stewart's Appliance has been handling it. He is still sitting on the money, and he cancel the order and try again in the spring. Sue talked to LMRE, and they said this happens often and if we give the money back now, we can reapply in the spring and explain what happened. Michele moved to cancel the order and give the money back. Amy S. seconded the motion. Holden moved to amend the motion to give Sue the power to act on the cooler-give the money back to LMRE or continue with Stewart if he finds another freezer at the same price. Michele seconded and the motion passed.

Banner Club and Officer Books: Have met and got everything completed.

Audit: Will meet after to pick a date to complete the audit.

Constitution Review: Jane began by discussing the changes presented to the constitution. Laura moved to vote tonight on two separate issues on the constitution. Michele seconded the motion and it passed. The voting will be done by written ballots. The first change voted on was 2 years off the board once the term is up. The final vote was against this, and it stays as 1 year off the board when the term is up. The second change voted on was that only the 12 elected members could vote for membership. The final vote was against this and it stays as all

members of the committee will vote. Advisory Committee was changed to Advisory Board and some minor wording for clarification. They will send out a copy of the approved constitution. Next year the board can revisit it if they would like to.

Publicity: Nothing to report currently

Membership: Nothing to report currently

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Still looking for a person to chair the subcommittee

Junior Fair Board: They had their input meeting. There were good ideas and solutions talked about. Next meeting is their banquet in November.

Endowment Board: They are meeting next week, and grants are due by then.

Livestock Sales Committee: Faye reported that they are not meeting again until March.

Leadership: look at the application and the process for next year.

Old Business:

The volunteer dinner is tomorrow night. Sue moved to sell extra meals at $5 a meal. Michele seconded and motioned passed. There are 91 signed up to come. There are 15 tables set up. For centerpieces-Sue moved that Jackie brings in dog bowls with candy and brings in receipts for candy at the next meeting. Motion was seconded by Amy G. and passed. Doors open at 5pm and the program will start at 5:45pm. Carolyn will be doing the milk barn announcements and prizes.

New Business:

Officer nominations were discussed. Morgan moved to nominate and vote next month to see what happens with people being elected to the board for the next year. Kim seconded and motion passed.

Extension Update:

Jacki requested one person from the committee to sit on the committee to review the application for the Education Board-it's a blind review. Jane offered to sit on it. Jacki went to Madison Wisconsin for the 4-H Educator Conference last week. She said there were a lot of great ideas and she presented with the state team on the winning plan.

There will be a Think Tank on November 10th from 6:30-8:30pm at New Russia Township Lodge. Advisory Committee, Endowment Board, Education Board, Junior Fair Board executive board and 1 member from each Junior Fair Board department have been invited to participate.

Amy Smith presented about Toys for Tots. There were over 5,000 kids that were given a Christmas last year and people are already on the list for this year. There will be a toy drive of 4-H clubs against each other. Boxes will be due by December 1st to the Extension Office. Her club will not be participating due to their time and donations they already contribute. Winners will receive a trophy and a plaque will hang at the Lorain County Toys for Tots warehouse. They are also looking into the club getting a pizza or ice cream party. It will also be eligible for banner club points. November 1st will be the cut-off date for clubs to participate. December 9th is the big pick-up day to get all the boxes and then count toys. December 17th is distribution day.

Any Other New Business- Michele discussed horse fun shows and how in the past they never had a judge. It used to be timed events. Just things to think about for next year instead of paying $200 for a judge. Jacki will pass on ideas to the board.

Next Meeting-November 16, 2022 at 6:30pm. Jane moved to adjourn the meeting. Adam seconded. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.