Lorain County 4-H Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: February 20, 2023

Call to Order: Cory called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Opening Pledges: Pledges said at start of training meeting

Guests: None

Attendance: Carolyn Bishop, Hannah Buchs, Morgan Goss, Rich Hardway, Michele Hines, Lori Lindsey, Julie Mackey, Sue Malik, Blake McGlivery, Cherie Parrish, Charlee Polen, Kim Polen, Becky Reed, Tristan Reed, Rebecca Rollin, Cory Seabold, Laura Smirz, Amy Smith, Adam Wilson, Jennifer Wyatt.

Excused: Lori Lindsey, Rebecca Rollin

Guests: Sally Hennessy- Extension office educator

Minutes: Minutes from January meeting emailed out before meeting.

Correspondence: Letter received from Alyssa Overy, recommended to contact Endowment since it was a request for funds.

Treasurers' Report: Treasurer's report will be emailed or available at next meeting. Copies were not made in time for tonight's meeting.

- $250 donation sent for volunteer dinner at OSU
- Donation of $1282.94 made to beef department

Payment of Bills: Midway Trophy bill of $69 for new name badges. Kim Polen moved to pay $69 to Midway trophy, seconded by Adam Wilson. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Ways and Means: Nothing to report

Banner Club and Officer Books: Nothing to report

Audit: Nothing to report

Constitution Review: Working on a date for the first meeting.

Publicity:

- Jackie was given a list of health fairs from Mercy Health. We are asked to man a table at the fairs. April 20th is the next date from 12-2. Sally Hennessy volunteered to man the table at the first fair.
- Sent a representative to Brunch with a Farmer event
- Flyers will be distributed promoting 4-H on 3/9 at the JVS open house.

Membership: Nothing to report

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Nothing to report

Junior Fair Board: Nothing to report

Endowment Board:

Livestock Sales Committee: Nothing to report

Leadership Award: Nothing to report

County 4-H Meritorious Service & 4-H Alumni Awards: Nothing to report

State Volunteer Awards: Nothing to report

Old Business:

- Sign up sheet for the bake sale/pop sale at Endowment dinner was passed around.
    - Baked goods for dinner need to be to the fairgrounds on 3/24 which is the evening when dinner set up is taking place.
- If you have items for the basket for the state volunteer dinner please see Corey

New Business:

- Shooting sports discussion
    - seeking air rifle repair and were refunded $125 when the company found out we were a youth organization.
    - Shooting sports requested to be reimbursed $40.13 for the purchase of air rifle targets. Hahhah moved to reimburse $40.13 for shooting sports purchase of air rifle targets, Kim seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 4-H Open House
    - Open house is on March 9th.
    - Clubs are encouraged to set up a table to promote their club activities
    - Advisory board is offered a table at this event.
- Suggestion to add a section to monthly meetings to share out ideas or info from clubs
- Question posed by Tristan about stall fund. Michelle reported that Rick Ternes is looking into stalls.
- Hannah posed the question- Why are we losing kids to FFA? Feedback from the youth surveyed was leadership opportunities, one person for contact, and more opportunities for learning presented. It was discussed if it was possible to have a future committee to look into the issue.
- Kim Polen piloted an advisors networking meeting last year. She was given three topics and 2 hours of time. A lot of new information was gained from advisors being able to get together and it has been requested to have a networking meeting again this year. Kim is volunteering to head this up but is looking for anyone wishing to offer help.
- Michelle brought up the sewing workshops being offered. Currently four sessions for beginners have already been planned. The question was posed if JoAnn Fabrics or pins and needles would be good partners for this program. The idea was brought up to the Education board in the main meeting.
- Discussion was had about the beef Department donations. this was an anonymous donation and not specifically earmarked for anything except the general Beef Department.
- Jen Wyatt discussed horse funds and asked for clarification as to if they are available for State events.

Next Meeting-March 15th at 6:30pm. Hannah moved to adjourn the meeting Kim seconded. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:20. Members moved back to the main room for updates provided by all boards.