Lorain County 4-H Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: January 18, 2023

Call to Order: Cory called the meeting to order at 6:34pm

Opening Pledges: Cory led pledges to start meeting

Guests: None

Attendance: Carolyn Bishop, Adjondi Born, Hannah Buchs, Morgan Goss, Rich Hardway Holden Harker, Michele Hines, Lori Lindsey, Julie Mackey, Sue Malik, Blake McGlivery, Cherie Parrish, Charlee Polen, Kim Polen, Becky Reed, Tristan Reed, Rebecca Rollin, Cory Seabold, Jordan Simnpson, Laura Smirz, Amy Smith, Monica Snipes, Jennifer Wyatt, and Jacki Baca

Excused: Ashley Jones, Emily Kois (tried virtually joining), Adam Wilson

Minutes: Minutes were not available from last meeting.

Correspondence: Email received from Ashley Jones declining board position due to family responsibilities. Thank you note received from Lorain County Hoof and Hide 4-H Club, signed by various members.

Treasurers' Report: Michelle reported that as of 11/1/2022 the regular fund had $9,736.30 and the special fund had $7,981.65 with a checking account total of $17,717.95 The councils' funds had a total of $14,072.70. No expenses were reported. Filed for audit.

Updated signers on checking accounts were noted. Signers being removed from account are Brenda Tetters, Amy Smith and Michelle Hines. Signers to be added reflect current Advisory Board officers and are as follows; Cory Seabold, Morgan Goss, Sue Malik, & Rebecca Reed.

Cory briefly explained the difference in treasury reports and how the council funds were reported. The 2023 budget was presented by Michelle. Penny wars, P.O.Box Rental and Chili cookoff were removed as line items since they no longer are relevant. Junior camp scholarship was passed on to endowment and removed also.

Questions were posed about treasury:

Question: Where do judging teams get funding? Answer: Petition endowment for funds for state competitions.

Question: What is the miscellaneous category in special funds? Answer:Special funds are specifically donated for certain areas. The miscellaneous funds are used as back up for overages when needed.

Question: What constitutes how money from council funds is spent? Answer: Money from council funds used for events that Benefit everyone in the county. Last year ribbons for the fun show and versatility show were purchased from Horse Council funds.

Question: How would Shooting Sports be funded? Answer: Endowment is looking into future funding for this area.

Payment of Bills: No bills paid at this meeting.

Committee Reports: New members chosen for each committee. Members on each committee are as follows.

Ways and Means: Becky Reed, Tristan Reed, Michelle Hines, Lara Smirz & Amy Smith

Banner Club and Officer Books: Sue Malik, Tristan Reed, Carolyn Bishop, Amy Smith, Blake McGilvery, Lara Smirz, Adjondi Born, & Cherie Parrish

Audit: Cherie Parrish, Rich Hardway, Cory Seabold, & Carolyn Bishop

Constitution Review: Rebecca Rollin, Jennifer Wyatt, Sue Malik, Hannah Buchs, & Monica Snipes

Publicity: Cory Seabold, Holden Harker, Hannah Buchs, & Kim Polen

Membership: Rich Hardway, Rebecca Rollin, & Holden Harker

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Monica Snipes, Jordan Simpson, Hannah Buchs, Becky Reed, Charlee Polen, & Jennifer Wyatt

Junior Fair Board: Holden Harker

Endowment Board:

Livestock Sales Committee: Lori Lindsey, Hannah Buchs, & Tristan Reed

Leadership Award: Kim Polen, Charlee Polen, Lori Lindsey, Jordan Simpson, & Blake McGilvery

County 4-H Meritorious Service & 4-H Alumni Awards: Michelle Hines, Morgan Goss, Lori Lindsey, & Rebecca Rollin

State Volunteer Awards: Morgan Goss, Lori Lindsey, & Adjondi Born

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Bake sale was discussed. In 2020 we brought in $600 profit between the bank and the pop sale. It was explained that members bring baked goods to donate and all baked goods need to be packaged with ingredients listed. Michelle Hines moved for Advisory to hold a bake sale again this year with members providing baked goods. Motion seconded by Carolyn Bishop. Motion carried.

Upcoming advisor update training was discussed and members were asked to volunteer for the training. Members are needed to provide adult training and youth training during the club officer workshops. Jackie will be emailing volunteers requesting specific positions to be filled.

New representatives for the livestock committee or discussed. Faye has been our rep in the past. Representatives are required to attend meetings and advocate for the youth who participate in the livestock sales. Lori Lindsey, Hannah Buchs, and Tristan Reed expressed interest in becoming the new Livestock Committee representatives. It was moved by Morgan and seconded by Holden for Lori, Hanna, and Tristan to the representatives for the Livestock Sale Committee for the 2023 year. Motion carried

Ohio Volunteer Conference was discussed. This conference is for youth and volunteers it is a one-day Conference held in Columbus. During the luncheon, awards are presented, examples include, recognizing 25-year service members, hall of fame, and meritorious service awards given. In the past Advisory has been a sponsor of this luncheon at the $500 level. We split the $500 donation with the Endowment Board. The complimentary registrations received with

this donation are used for service and award winners from Lorain County. It was moved by Michelle and seconded by Sue for the Advisory Board to donate $250 as sponsorship for the Ohio Volunteer Conference. Motion carried.

Amy Smith asked if we don't have people going as Award winners could we use the complimentary tickets for 4-H members attending. In the past a basket has been donated. We do not have information yet on basket donations. An email will be sent out regarding donations when information is available. Only one person has signed up so far for the conference from Marin County. If interested email Jackie so she can get you registered.

Subcommittee sign up was held. See members on each subcommittee in the committee report section.

Extension Update:

Jackie explained The responsibilities of each board that has been created, Endowment, Advisory, & Education. She also clarified the responsibilities of each, including Junior fair board and Senior fair board. Jackie shared that the focus for this year will be recruitment, club support and volunteer training. She then explained the new quarterly meeting format. In place of each board's monthly meeting, four times a year all boards will get together for a large inclusive meeting. The meeting will be broken down into three parts: (6:00)a leadership activity, (6:30) individual board meetings, and (7:20)a general meeting where boards will be given the opportunity to present current happenings. The first quarterly meeting will be held on February 20th 2023 at Constellation Schools in Elyria.

Jackie also discussed rules of Cohesive Team Behavior with each rule being explained. The nine rules of Cohesive Team Behavior are as follows;

1. No complaining till willing to take action
2. Blame the process not the person
3. Respect everyone on team assuming that motives
4. Directly confront with no triangulation
5. Voice opinions strongly and directly
6. Only rely on and restate what you know is true
7. Fully commit to team decisions and strategies
8. Create accountability among team
9. Be an advocate for the team

Enrollment for the new year is now open and family guides have been sent out. Please remember to read the Clover Communicator for updates each month.

Looking for a group to attend Brunch with a Farmer. See Jackie for more information.

Any Other New Business- Holden shared that the Firelands FFA will be holding a tack swap on March 12th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. He offered for a table to be set up to promote 4-H. There will be a $2 entry fee for anyone attending.

Next Meeting-February 20th at 6:00pm. This will be our first quarterly meeting. Michelle moved to adjourn the meeting Tristan seconded. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:23.