La Crosse County 4-H Parents and Leaders Association Board Meeting Minutes

August 9th, 2018

Present: Linda Saley, Mary Temp, Jennifer Wright, Jeff Janvrin, Marla Stello, Sue Kramer, Abby Vick, Emily Crook,

Open Forum: No one in attendance

Call to order: Jeff called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. at the Hamilton Town Hall. Jeff appointed Abby Vick as West Salem Rep.

Approval of Agenda: Mary motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of adding discussion regarding State Fair Banner, Linda 2nd. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report: Linda motioned to approve the minutes with the addition of Lyndsi Heitkamp in attendance and the name correction to Mel Hart-Polluck. Also courtesy maps are for all locations that allow clubs to meet. Mary 2nd, Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Mary motioned to approve both the June and July Reports, Sue 2nd. Motion passed.

Extension Office updates and report (Emily)

Pump House Ribbons were ordered. Motion was made by Linda to purchase 4-H pins up to \$100 to attach to the ribbons, Abby 2nd, motion passed.

Will be reaching out to the Ambassadors to see if they will be continuing on this year. Ambassadors will be helping out with recruitment events coming up.

The project guide is being updated. Also, consolidating applications for state events. Emily will email the board and is requesting feedback.

Open board positions will be advertised in the Cloverline. Open positions are Secretary, Vice President, At Large Rep, Ag Society Rep.

Next meeting will be September 13th at the Hamilton Town Hall. Will continue to have meetings the 2nd Thursday of the month through the remainder of the year.

There will be a drop in meeting for help with Club Charters on August 20th. There will be people to audit as well. The Charters are due in October.

Agricultural Society Rep. Report (Marla)

Checks are done and will be distributed soon. Exhibitors were down 30 and premium payments were down \$250. Total paid in premiums this year was \$16,022.00. Carlie is doing well. A new copier and printer will be bought this year. 2 Computers will be bought with County Grant Money. Plat Map was hung on wall in Farm Progress Building. A request was made to have a handbook made for families that are first year livestock exhibitors. A meeting will be held for all superintendents to go over departments and duties. Speakers did not work in the barns because they were requested to be turned off.

Committee Reports:

Food Stand (Linda)

The new steps worked great. Some sign up genius issues. Approximately \$47,000 was deposited. Some items are still outstanding. Pancake Breakfast- Served 354 which was up slightly. Profit was \$1471.21. Great weather!

Oktoberfest Races (Linda)

Ag Society will provide workers for Friday 9-1 (10 worker suggestion), 4-H will provide workers for Saturday 9-1. Workers need to arrive by 8 am. Request for workers to sign up September 1st. Email will be sent to leaders.

Achievement Night- Emily put a request in to Holmen Middle School. Should get approval middle of August. Suggestion was made to have a display of pictures from trip winners. Further discussion regarding awards needed will be discussed at the September meeting.

Old/Unfinished Business:

2018-19 Calendar of Events- Review and Additions- Will look into dates/location for the Christmas Party

MN State Fair Trip- August 25th- at last check 42 spots remain open. Emily will send numbers and advise Nathan to look into switching to a smaller bus and check with a possible time change to allow more time at the fair.

Recruitment Events- Emily is talking with the Ambassadors regarding Open House opportunities, Viterbo Fest and UWL Days. Emily will send the board dates of events and if the board can help it would be greatly appreciated. Emily will also be calling more schools.

New Business:

Fair Review- Fair Clerk Meal Tickets- meal tickets were provided for Superintendents, judges, volunteer parkers, clerks. Communication was not passed to all departments notifying of this. Better communication is needed in the future.

Food Stand Fire Suppression Bill- Total bill was \$542.16. This amount was for 2 Fire Extinguishers, Charging for 3 and 10 Brackets. Requested the Ag Society pay total bill and we will split the bill accordingly. The board is also requesting a credit for the extinguishers that were in the food stand that was owned by 4-H and were moved to the Dairy Barn.

Food Stand Fuse Box- Was grandfathered in. The board is requesting that in writing to avoid future issues.

Foodstand Exit Signs- Need to be illuminated. Ag Society purchased 2 signs for the foodstand. Cost was \$6.99 for each sign. Need more information regarding who needs to pay for signs and electrical work since La Crosse County 4-H is renting the building and this is a requirement for safety.

State Fair La Crosse County Banner- Was brought to attention that La Crosse County does not have a banner at the state fair. Mary will take pictures of the banners so we will be aware of what is needed.

Mary motioned to adjourn the meeting, Abby 2nd motion passed.