

St. Croix County 4-H Leader's Association Meeting Minutes for November 20, 2018

Name	Club
Debbie Stevens	Sunnyside Shamrocks
Carole Schurtz	Rustic Renegades and Ambassadors
Brenda Franklin	Bellringers
Bridget Lentz	Horse Committee
Mary Luckwaldt	Lone Pine and Dairy Committee
Jackie Kumm	Springbrook
Amanda Hanson	Double Good
Tara Brown	Rolling Hills
Eileen VanDyk	North Country & 4-H Coordinator
Heather Vierling	4-H agent
Peter Lentz	Rolling Hills & Horse
Molly Stehr	Wildwood
Wyatt Stehr	Wildwood
DeAnn Hammer	Rolling Hills & Cothing / Arts & Crafts
Lauren Thompson	Lone Pine & Youth Representative
Tyler Sippl	RRR & Youth Representative
Beth Sippl	RRR
Jesse Moor	Baldwin Wide Awake
Emma	
Jim	
Marilyn Blumer	Wildwood
Tammy Frank by phone	Riverside

President Brenda Franklin called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m., November 20, 2018

Pledges were led by Mary Luckwaldt

**Guests:** St. Croix County Dog Show Team

The SCC Dog Show Team presented on the State Dog Show and their experiences showing at that level. They voiced that they are willing to visit clubs and demo the program. They are also hoping to hold clinics for new members. Present were Abby Stark, Jessica Moore, Nic Lentz and Johnathan Beyer.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the September 18, 2018 meeting were approved. Motion made by Carole Schurtz and seconded by Tara Brown. Passed by assembly.

There were two pieces of correspondence – A thank you from the Zwalds for the Memorial and a Thank you from the Thompsons.

**Treasurer's Report:** Beth Sippl reported 90,181.63 in Checking, 5.00 in Savings, 31,277.46 in Foundation, 20,434.60 in Money Market. We are currently waiting for receipts from the Poultry Committee for a grant that they applied for. Motion by Jackie Kumm to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> Carole Schurtz, Approved by Assembly.

**Discussion Corner:** Discussed the new Fair Entry System. The Fair Board is moving to 4-H Online for fair entry this year. You will be able to register through 4-H online with your family profile. It should read just like the fair book does.

**Committee (Liaison) Reports: Chartered and Non-chartered:**

**Horse:** Bridget Lentz reported that the banquet was a huge success and that they held their first meeting in where they elected officers. They Youth Leadership is taking more ownership of the program and they find this very positive. Tricia Kwak reported on the judging team at Nationals in Louisville. They won at State in September which allowed them to participate in the national competition. It was very intensive starting the day at 7:45 and not ending until 5:30 p.m. There were 8 classes and 4 sets of reasons they need to participate in. 600+ members from across the country participated this year.

**Ambassadors:** The Ambassadors participated in Fall Forum at Green Lake in October and facilitated a learning service project. During the service project they worked with other attendees to make fleece scarves for those in need. Several locations in St. Croix County benefitted from the scarves and the project was well received by attendees. They also reminded everyone to remember to put the Northwest Regional Golf Classic on your calendars for June 10 this year.

**WI Tour:** They discussed the reactions to the trip this year and said 2019 they will be visiting the La Crosse area.

**Old Business:**

**Plat Books** - They continue to sell. Nothing new to report

**Leader's Banquet** – Carole and Brenda reported that we had a very good turnout with 64 in attendance. According to the LC survey most liked the venue and change of location as well as the food.

**Endowment Fund Purpose: Waiting to hear from committee** - Lori DeBoer, Mari Omann and Rosemary.

**Transfer Scholarship Money to Money Market: Waiting to hear from committee** - Lori DeBoer, Mari Omann and Rosemary Donahoe are e-mailing each other working on this issue.

**4-H Memorial Garden:** Mary Luckwaldt indicated that the Lorenz's should be reaching out to the Fair Board as this project is just too big for a club/youth to handle.

**Any other Old Business:** NA.

**New Business:**

**Grants:** Cultural Arts Day at UWRF. DeAnn Hammer asked for funds to host a Cultural Arts Day at UWRF on January 19. This would include 90 minute sessions and be geared toward youth 10+. 8 + could attend but must be accompanied by an adult or older youth leader. The discussion included choice of location and cost. The idea was met with enthusiasm and encouragement. Beth Sippl moved to approve the grant request for up to \$2500 to host a Cultural Arts Day at UWRF, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary Luckwaldt, passed by assembly.

Clothing Day at UWRF. DeAnn Hammer asked for funds to host a Clothing / Sewing Day at UWRF on March 30. This would be similar to the Cultural Arts Day and also be geared to youth 10+, 8 + could

attend but must be accompanied by an adult or older youth leader. Jackie Kumm moved to approve the grant request for up to \$2500 to host a Clothing Day at UWRF, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Amanda Hanson, passed by assembly.

**Polk St. Croix Coordinator:** Eileen Van Dyk will be our new 4-H Coordinator with a variety of jobs to support the Youth Agents in St. Croix and Polk Counties. A full list of her new duties can be requested from her or Heather.

**Annual Awards: Minutes from September** (Questions have arisen about who is ordering 4-H awards. Melissa Heath order metal discs and plaques. She also orders 5, 10, and 15 year plaques for leaders as well as graduation and volunteer certificates. Cindy VanDyk may order some of these as well. Discussion was held about displaying plaques at the fair as a large wooden board with brass plates. A committee of Lori DeBoer, Bridget Lentz, Tammy Frank and Debbie Stevens will work on the awards and this display. The Council would keep the plaques for now but may change for the 2019 awards. This topic should be placed on a future agenda. Lori DeBoer made a motion that all awards should be order through UW-Extension. Seconded by Janelle Peterson. Passed by assembly.)

**Secretary Position:** There was discussion as to whether youth should/could hold an officer position on the Leaders' Council. Eileen discussed that there are positives to having a youth/adult partnership. Amanda Hanson volunteered for the position. Approved by assembly

**Youth Representatives:** Tyler Sippl and Lauren Thompson will serve a 1 year term on the Leaders Council as youth representative. Mary Luckwaldt nominated them, approved by unanimous vote.

**Fair Board Representatives:** We have a position for one adult and one youth on the St. Croix County Fair Board. Jackie agreed to be the adult representative but the youth position remains open.

**4-H License Plate:** The new 4-H license plates are now available for \$25. Half will go to foundation and half to the county it is purchased in.

**Any other New Business:** None.

#### **Announcements:**

Brenda Franklin asked that Heather send out a survey after the Leaders' Banquet and the results were discussed.

#### **Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned by motion from Beth Sippl and seconded by Carole Schurtz. Passed by assembly.