

St. Croix County 4-H Leader's Association Meeting Minutes for September 15, 2020

Name	Club
Bridget Lentz	Horse Committee & Rolling Hills
Mary Luckwaldt	Lone Pine and Dairy Committee
Debbie Stevens	Sunnyside Shamrocks and Food Stand
Tara Brown	Rolling Hills
Tammy Frank	Riverside
Amanda Hanson	Double Good
Heather Greene	Sunnyside Shamrocks
Melissa Briese	Roberts Ribbon Reapers
Eileen Van Dyk	4-H Assistant and North Country
Heather Vierling	4-H agent

President Mary Luckwaldt called the Zoom meeting to order at 7:14 pm.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the August 18, 2020 meeting were approved with the caveat that playbook be changed to plat book. Approved by motion from Tammy Frank and seconded by Debbie Stevens. Approved by assembly.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report was given by electronic handouts. Heather Vierling noted that the updated amount in the 4-H Foundation was \$31, 839.36. Treasurer's report was passed with motion from Tammy Frank seconded by Amanda Hanson. Approved by assembly.

Guests: No guests.

Discussion Corner: The roll out of 4-H online 2.0 is taking longer than expected. 4-H members should be able to access their accounts by the end of September. Heather Vierling and Eileen VanDyk will communicate with members as to when 4-H online 2.0 will be ready.

Committee Reports:

Leadership – Amanda Hanson – Amanda is working on this committee and will be contacting Heather about opportunities.

Fundraising – Mary Luckwaldt – Mary asked the question of whether or not we should go ahead with the plat book during the pandemic? If we do, should we sell our own advertising or should we have Mapping Solutions sell ads for us? After much discussion, it was decided that yes, we will go ahead with the plat books and yes, we will sell our own advertising. The plan is to have the books ready for the May Fair Event of 2021.

Recognition/Public Relations – Tara Brown- Tara discussed National 4-H week activities. She also discussed sending a thank you to many of the St. Croix County 4-H volunteers. Tara's group is working on some type of virtual recognition in place of our usual Leader's Banquet. A roving reporter role and an increased presence on social media for St. Croix County 4-H were other items discussed.

Budget/Finance: - Beth Sippl- Beth was not present at this meeting but did send appropriate financial handouts to the group ahead of time.

Program Development – Heather Vierling – Heather indicated that she has been holding off on program development in the hopes that more information would be coming from the state 4-H office. There will be no National 4-H trips in 2021. St. Croix County will be moving ahead with the current programming and there will be Save the Date cards forthcoming.

Old Business:

UW-Extension COVID-19 Epidemic Updates: Heather Vierling and Eileen VanDyk discussed the most recent updates to UW-Extension’s policies during the pandemic. In summary, UW-Extension would like most activities to be held virtually. In-person meetings need to be in groups of 10 or less. Groups of 50 are allowed outside or in a multi-room building as long as people can be broken into pods of 10 or less. In-person events must be approved by UW-Extension.

Leader’s Banquet: This topic was covered in Tara Brown’s Recognition/Public Relations report.

Memorial Garden: The grant for work on the Memorial Garden at the fairgrounds was approved for an extension into 2021. One question needs to be answered through the Fair Board, perhaps by Terry Mitchell or Jackie Kumm – Does the Fair Board have any plans to re-do the Memorial Garden? Motion made by Amanda Hanson and seconded by Tammy Frank. Passed by assembly.

National 4-H Week: Tara Brown had discussed activities for National 4-H week during her committee report. The Communicator also listed many of the week’s activities. Heather and Eileen reminded the members that there will be a virtual 4-H Town Hall meeting on October 6th.

Any other Old Business: Tara Brown mentioned that Joe to Go in Hudson had held a fundraiser for St. Croix County 4-H during the month of August and approximately \$500.00 was raised from this event. There was some confusion in whom the check was to be made out to and Tara was going to look into the matter.

New Business:

2020-2021 Budget: The budget was passed by motion from Tammy Frank and seconded by Tara Brown with the following stipulation – The group would like to see some type of appendix or addendum which indicates the items that money will not be spent on during this time due to the pandemic and the cancellation of activities from it.

2020-2021 Leaders Association Elections: Members were asked to identify people who will fill positions of President-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer.

County 4-H Zoom Accounts: There are one or two County purchased Zoom accounts.

Frequency or Schedule of Meetings: The group decided to continue with monthly meetings so as to stay in communication because information for the pandemic changes so quickly and because we are completing plat books this year.

Any other New Business: None.

Announcements: None.

Adjournment: Motion made by Tammy Frank and seconded by Debbie Stevens to adjourn. Passed by assembly.