**St. Croix County 4-H Leader’s Association Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2023**

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| **Attendee** | **Club/Committee** |
| Bridget Lentz | Rolling Hills / Treasurer |
| Tara Brown | Rolling Hills / Recognition & Public relations |
| Jackie Kumm | Springbrook / President-Elect |
| Becky Olson | Tri River Voyagers |
| Sky Holt | County Youth Educator |
| Erin Mason | Rolling Hills / Secretary |
| Shelby Krupa | Livestock Committee / President |
| Gary and Debbie Stevens | Sunnyside Shamrocks |
| Lori DeBoer | Forest Timberwolves |

**Call to Order:** Shelby Krupa called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm.

**Pledges:** Pledges were led by Jackie.

**Secretary’s Report:** Erin shared the report.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Bridget shared the report.

**Committee Reports:**

**Leadership**

The committee wants to send a survey to leader volunteers in the county. Discussed how to reach people outside current list to volunteer ie. teachers, etc.

**Fundraising**

Planning to look at what other counties are doing. We need to have a purpose for our funds that are being raised. Recommended that we align fundraising activity with intended use.

**Recognition/Public Relations**

Scholarship forms now require answering one essay question versus two. Looking at adding a scholarship specific to a trade school or community college applicant. Trip scholarships are available, Pathways is June 19-22.

**Budget/Finance**

2022 – 2023 budget shared by Treasurer. 565 youth currently signed up. Sending memorials to recently deceased.

**Program Development**

Clover College will be held at Spring Valley Middle School and High School. Clover University is currently under development. In need of youth to be camp counselors this Summer. Working with Pierce and Polk counties to offer more opportunities to connect youth.

**Old Business:**

St. Croix County Fair Board Representative is for 4-H is Ben Meier.

Treasurer Elect Position – to be revisited at the 2023 Annual meeting.

Treasurer Stipend – Volunteers cannot be compensated for their time. Treasurer will be reimbursed for mileage.

Foundation Endowment Fund – Leave as is for now.

Taxes for Golf Classic – A long form tax form will be required for one more year, Sky Holt recommended CPAs to contact. Being the fiscal agent for the golf classic fundraiser pushed us in to the level of needing to complete a long form for this year.

Spend Down Plan – need to spend down money.

Ambassadors – The Junior Leader project is a good alternative to develop leaders until the Ambassador program can be restored.

Woodworking Project – Materials have been purchased and stored by Anne Wittman. They will be used at Clover College.

A list denoting ribbon placing is needed to reimburse clubs for their scrapbook entries.

**New Business:**

A new enrollment policy is coming for people attending 4-H related activities. Over 80 St. Croix County 4-H volunteers need to complete their volunteer application through 4honline.com. There is a tip sheet for conducting a proper hayride and submitting expenses. There are criteria for participating in parades.

Next meeting, March 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion made by Jackie and seconded by Erin to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Erin Mason.