



Sanders County 4-H Council - October 5, 2021, 6:30 p.m.
State Office Building, Thompson Falls

Pledges were recited.

Minutes of August Meeting were read and accepted.

Agenda Review – Popcorn and sno cone machine status was added.

Treasurer's Report – Spending for 2020-2021 year exceeded income by \$5500. Carmen and Juli will meet to finalize the 2021-2022 budget. *Jen made a motion to move \$5000 from our Managed Agency account into the 4-H treasury. Ronda seconded, motion carried.*

Correspondence was received from Darrell Fenner 4-H Loon Lake Camp, Mikiah Cook, Cheryl Jackson.

Reports

- Fair Wrap-up (Dining Hall) – Expenses were considerably higher this year, and meals purchased were lower. Council discussed increasing visibility (i.e. menus in rodeo programs? Etc.) and requesting donations. A committee will meet with the cook and propose a plan.
- Fair entries were down, but enrollment is basically static including many Cloverbuds. Council consensus is to support the livestock committee in requiring market animal projects to participate in at least one additional 4-H project and exhibit at fair.
- Ambassadors are meeting this week, finalizing the Achievement Day Plan.

Old Business

- Fair Projects include the home ec building remodel still in progress, restroom updates and shower drains to be completed soon, and a new commercial stove for the kitchen purchased by Fair Board. Fair manager would like to see a new floor in the Pavilion, and grants are being pursued. A new kitchen cooler is also possible.
- Meat Raffle Fundraiser was discussed. Suggestions were to find sponsors for cutting and wrapping, to seek animal donations and possibly use buy backs from the livestock sale. Discussion met roadblocks on where and when to try the raffle; we need more time. Additional suggestions for fundraising included selling local fruit during canning season (cutting out the middle man). An online silent auction of 4-H member projects may work out, possibly around Mothers' Day. Clubs will be polled for interest in selling fruit in February, since we are unsure about other fundraising opportunities.

New Business

- Achievement Day Food will include hamburgers. Council will provide buns and beverages; Heron Eagles and Hot Springs Wranglers will bring chips. Whitepine Happy Workers will provide desserts, Trout Creek Mavericks – salads, and Thompson Falls Mountaineers – condiments and vegetables.
 - Enrollments: Deadline date is November 15th for re-enrollments. Members, re-enrolling & new leaders may enroll online only. Members & leaders pay dues to clubs. Horse Helmet form is only available as a hard copy. All other forms are included in online enrollment. Project manuals will be ordered online only
- New Family Orientation will be online by November, with hard copies available from the Extension Office.
- Council Officers were approved by acclamation – Joanne Burk, President; Aimee Foyil, Vice-President; Carmen Jackson, Treasurer; Karen Dwyer, Secretary.
- 4-H Year Calendar will be finalized at the December meeting as well.
- Popcorn and Sno cone machines are still available – do we want to sell them? Or keep for rental?

Clubs are reminded to encouraged families to use Amazon Smile when ordering online and choose Sanders County 4-H as the non-profit recipient.

Ronda moved to support Mikiah Cook's National 4-H Congress trip with \$200; Jen seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Dwyer, Acting Secretary

Those present: Jennifer Avilla - SSS, Taylor Etienne - HE, Ronda Horner - TCM, Jen Christensen - LB, Carmen Jackson - HSW, Aimee Foyil - WHH, Karen Dwyer – TFM, Juli Thurston – Extension Agent.