

Coös County 4H Advisory Council  
Stark

**Meeting Minutes**  
**March 11, 2010**

Vicki DeLalla called the meeting to order at 6:36PM at The Town Office in Stark.

**Members Present:** Larry Barker, Katie Burns, Vicki DeLalla, Christine Whiting, Sarah Whiting, Sherri Lowell, Suzanne Goulet, Jourdain Goulet, April Allin, Monique Dube. & Kathy Burns.

**Guests:** David Chessman

**Thank You Cards**

A thank you card was received from Wendy Brock of the 4H Foundation.

**Minutes**

Minutes to last meeting were passed out. The minutes were amended to correct the number of cases of cookies received.

**Budget Update**

The checking account balance is \$7213.85 and the Scholarship Fund balance is \$16,684.28.

Monique moved that we accept the Treasurer's report. Katie seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Accident Insurance is purchased to cover all 4H leaders and members at all 4H events. The policy covers people enrolled in 4H. The coverage is designed to supplement the members own insurance policy. It does have modest coverage limits. A list of all members and leaders is sent at the beginning of the year. 4H youth are added automatically by being enrolled. Leaders must be added with the insurance company. Insurance is also available for specific events such as tubing. Applications are available on line and costs are very low.

Canceled participation was discussed. The question raised was what happens if someone decides not to attend an event after the Council has paid some or all of the registration fee. When this happened last year, the person who canceled repaid the Council. The Council decided to continue this practice for cancellations. If the cancellation was due to an emergency, Larry will discuss with either the council or the Chair that case. If cancellation is early enough to receive a refund of the monies spent by the Council, no repayment will be required.

**Membership**

A list of the current members was handed out to be proof read. The Council has filled all the positions.

Travis Joyce was nominated to be Vice Chair. Christine made a motion to elect Travis as Vice Chair. Monique seconded the motion and it passed.

Membership terms were discussed. Amber and Sherri agreed to two year terms to complete open positions on the Council.

**By-Laws Amendment**

A By-law amendment was proposed: "If a member cannot complete his/her term, someone will be elected to the Council to complete that term." This is an attempt to ensure that the Council will not replace all its members in one year.

### **Cookies and Candy bars**

There are 6 cases of cookies left. They will be brought to Achievement day to see if they can be sold.

### **4H Camps**

Nothing has changed in NH for 4H camps. Barry will not open this year. Maine has offered New Hampshire in state rates for Maine 4H camps. The rate for the Bryant Pond camp will be \$450 for the first 70 kids to enroll. The usual rate is \$600. It is a good camp with a good staff. Applications are available on line from the Coos County 4H website.

At this time, Fish and Game plans to reopen Barry in 2011.

### **On-Line Training**

Leader training is available on-line. Larry has offered a prize to the first 10 leaders to complete the training.

### **Records Training**

The records training was fairly well attended. The attendees liked the course. Updated records guide and all other materials are all available on-line.

### **Up Coming Events: Demonstration Day**

Demonstration Day is March 27<sup>th</sup> at Community College in Berlin. The deadline for entries is March 19<sup>th</sup>. Posters and photos need to be at the Extension Office by 4PM. Everything else needs to be registered with the Extension by then.

If a large number of action exhibits are entered, a second set of judges may be used. A suggestion was made to delay the start of the action exhibits or stagger the start times so members giving either a demonstration or a public speech can see the exhibits.

At the State level, action exhibits are scheduled for in 50 minute blocks. After 50 minutes, a new exhibit sets up.

At Eastern States, no food action exhibits are allowed unless the food safety person is there.

Volunteers are needed to judge on Demo day.

### **Monarch's Tickets**

Monarch's tickets are available through the 4H Foundation. March 27<sup>th</sup> is 4H Day. Tickets cost \$14 for adults and \$14 for kids. This is for a minor league hockey game. There will be no bus and it is a night game.

### **NC Health Consortium**

\$1000 mini grants are still available for substance abuse prevention (alcohol, Tobacco & drugs). Group in Berlin used the money for ads, camera & equipment. Currently there are no deadlines and grants can have very wide spread purposes.

### **County Conversation**

There will be a breakfast with UNH President Mark. W. Huddleston on April 9 at 7:30AM at the Mountain View Grand to discuss the strategic plan for UNH and what Extension does in Coös County. Invitations are in the mail. 4H Youth are encouraged to attend.

### **Lancaster Fair**

Interest was expressed in adding a house plant category at the Fair. Larry will look into the regular Fair category.

A date will be set and announced for the Fair Meeting with Vermont.

The next meeting will be Thursday June 24 at 6:30PM at The Extension Office in Lancaster.

The July 24<sup>th</sup> meeting was moved to August 5 with the location to be announced.

### **State Horse Council**

4 members from Coös County attended the State meeting. This will be the last year for the State Horse Show to be held at Deerfield Fair. The coordinators are looking into moving the event to the Lancaster Fair grounds. The Fair directors are very supportive of the idea and are estimating that the cost will be minimal.

A motion to adjourn was made by Monique and seconded by Suzanne. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Burns, Secretary.

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