

Santa Cruz County 4-H January 2011 Council Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, Thursday January 20, 2011 by the President Jennifer Pacella.

American flag salute and 4-H pledge

Attendees: From Boulder Creek: Brian Charles. From Corralitas: Stephanie Hedgpeth-Lopez, Emily Lopez, Marjorie Garbini, Trisha Suruki, Lyann Suruki. From Felton: Jennifer Pacella, Keith Gudger, Christopher Bushard, Anna Rawson-Bushard, Autumn Bushard, Simone Bushard, Derek Jensen, Joan Wildman, Edee Wildman, Rebekah Crill, Michaela Crill, Danielle Crill, Teralyn Crill. From La Selva Beach: Randy Turnquist, Robin Turnquist. From Soquel: Carolyn McGlenn-Newton. From Scotts Valley: David Gallacinao. From Santa Clara County: Jill Barrett. 4-H Representative Staff: Stephanie Fontana.

ADDITIONS TO THE MEETING AGENDA: Joan-County Standing Rules. Rebekah-Projection Purchase Research.

CORRESPONDENCE: Stephanie had a few items of fundraising opportunities.

MEETING MINUTES: The November meeting minutes were read by those in attendance. Rebekah motioned to approve, and Simone 2nd. November meeting minutes approved.

TREASURERS REPORT: Randy passed out and discussed the monthly report which included 6 months of debit and credit activity for the checking account. Autumn motioned to approve the report and Emily 2nd. The Treasurers Report was approved.

LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT: Michaela reported that the team will work at the Portuguese Hall crab feed on February 5. Some of the team went to the Dickens fair for fun. Michaela was voted as the team reporter. Some members of the Leadership Team are planning on going to a Leadership Conference in Humboldt again this year. There are 25 to 30 Teens on the County Leadership Team presently.

CLUB REPORTS: Felton: Derek reported that the club members received their Fair Participation pins last month. The club swore in a new President and Vice Pres. and two state record book winners in the club were honored. Scotts Valley: David reported that the club didn't have an official meeting last month. The club helped the Salvation Army with bell ringing for contributions. Boulder Creek: Brian reported the club has held informational meetings about the club and 4-H. They will have their first meeting in March with regular meetings held the first Wednesday of each month. Corralitos: Marjorie reported that the club held their annual tree decorating event. The club has a new web site and new projects. Their Share the Holidays event was successful. Soquel and La Selva Beach: No report. Santa Clara: Jill reported they have held trainings for Parent Volunteers and Santa Clara County has 11 clubs with approx. 600 members.

COUNTYWIDE PROJECT REPORT: Stephanie H.L. requested club leaders to send her email verification that Poultry Project emails are being received. Five members went to the Gold Coast Poultry Show and two of those members showed their birds. Robin reported Hip Hop project was still going every Thursday from 3:20 to 4:20 pm.

SECTIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Robin reported that our county needs representation for the State Leadership 2012 conference planning. Representation is 5 voting members from each county. Teens (2 each) are welcome to be representatives. The next meeting is in Hollister and has been moved closer to our area to promote participation from our area. Santa Cruz County will sponsor a giveaway trinket for the next Leadership

Conference. It was decided that a Share-the-Fun skit be limited to 8 participants only at Tri-County Presentation Day because skit groups were too large. Robin also said the Aptos Grange would love members to perform their skits at the meetings. Stephanie F. said there are 13 counties in our Section and it's very important that each have 5 person representation with 2 alternates.

4-H YDP ADVISOR REPORT: Lynn Schmitt McQuitty was not in attendance. No report was given.

4-H YDP REP. REPORT: Stephanie Fontana reported that April will be very busy for her. She is looking for a team of 4 to 5 people to participate in the new 4-H Thrive training April 29 and 30th in Hollister. There is no date yet for Sectional Presentation Day. San Benito County will host this year. The new Rubrics for evaluating presentations are coming out soon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

AUDITING COMMITTEE FOR THE COUNTY BUDGET: Rebekah reported that the audit went well with no major issues. Suggestions include: should have a copy of all checks. Each account should have individual packets. Void all uncleared checks after 6 months and keep copies of all voided checks.

CURRICULUM AND SUPPORT MATERIALS PURCHASE: Anna reported that there is need for bilingual support materials for clubs that may start up that need Spanish 4-H literature. She has looked into Oregon State brochures. Stephanie F. said there is a lot of materials out there and that the state is particular about proper grammatical use. The state will provide translation when needed but that it would be best to use existing materials and copy these to suit our county needs. Stephanie F. said she would call Oregon State for permission to use their bi-lingual brochures.

LCORT: Edee reported that the teaching team is presenting a session on "The Power of Positive Thinking". It will include a skit and a video. The team will also present the session at County Presentation Day.

COMMITTEE SELECTION PROCESS: Jennifer reported that she had not received any sign-ups. Stephanie F. had some. Jennifer called for Record Book Committee sign-ups and said she would review the volunteers signed up for committees and appoint chairpersons and committee members soon.

SNOW CAMP UPDATE: Sign-ups were continuing and would probably be extended. Brian requested clarification on youth going to Snow Camp without their parent(s). Stephanie F. said to check with John Detke about this because he is in charge.

COUNTY PROJECTOR: Rebekah reported that she had researched projectors. Low end models are ~\$300.00. She felt these were not suitable for County use. A \$600.00 model typically used for low end business applications would better suit our needs. We need two of these. Replacement bulbs are ~\$200.00. Rebekah motioned to spend \$800.00 per projector including cords, warranty and case. Robin amended this motion to spend up to \$1,000.00, Carolyn 2nd. Motion approved.

BY-LAW/CONSTITUTION APPROVAL: Jennifer asked if everyone was ready to vote on the changes to the By-Laws. Joan said she was not ready to vote. It was decided the committee would meet again to discuss the changes on the 3rd Thursday of February at the Grange.

NEW BUSINESS:

COUNTY PRESENTATION DAY: The new date for Presentation Day is March 26th. A new date for application deadline was set for March 10th. It will be at the LDS church off Morrissey in Santa Cruz. The Leadership Team will meet the 3rd Wednesday next month to plan this event. A motion was made by Rebekah to amend the County calendar to reflect the new dates. The motion was 2nd by Stephanie H.L. The motion was approved. The date and location for the Awards Interview Day was discussed. Stephanie H.L. said the Corralitas Community Center is available on the 20th.

SPRING FAIR & HORSE SHOW: Stephanie F. reported that the fair ground has an availability problem. For the month of April it is available the 23rd and 30th. After some discussion, Jennifer suggested we book for April 30th and the 8th (Mother's Day) as a rain out date.

ADDITION TO AGENDA: County Standing Rules. Joan handed out a list of standing rules made at County Council Meetings over the last 7 years for everyone's information. She explained that these are kept by the Secretary for quick reference, and when necessary, should be included in the By-Laws when they are updated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

Danielle motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was 2nd by Simone. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.