## Monterey County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes

**Date**: April 21, 2015

Location: Monterey County Ag Office in Salinas

**Time**: Called to order at 7:02pm by Cara Brents. Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H pledge led by

Cara Brents.

## **Roll Call:**

President: Cara Brents (Natividad)

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Tim Lewis (Greenfield) (absent) 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Trina Hearne (King City Rural)

Treasurer: Dana Guidotti (Mission) Secretary: Hana Ferguson (Buena Vista)

Staff: Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

## **Club Representatives and guests**

Aromas: Jacque Palmer, Julaine Mullaney (youth), KC Mullaney Buena Vista: Catherine Higgins, Christina McPherson, Cheryl Wilson,

Chualar: Shelley Daoro, Maria Giannini

Greenfield: Rigoberto Canchola (youth), Diana Canchola, Daisy Hernandez

Gonzales: Christina Kaupp, Madison Kaupp (youth)

King City Blue Ribbon: Mary Hughes

King City Rural: Trina Hearne

Lockwood: Bret Wilkins (youth), Erik Wilkins

Mission: Dana Guidotti

Natividad: Cara Brents, Ladene Elan, Christopher Wohlgemoth (youth), Janet Wohlgemoth

Royal Oaks: JoAnn Etchison, Sheryl Jones

San Benancio: Troy Miller, Kate Miller, Scott Violini, Diane Vorwerck, Jennifer Wasson,

Spring: Andi Roache, Tracy Romero, Caden Romero (youth)

Guest: Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

**Additions/Corrections to Agenda:** The allotted time for the Color Me Green Run was incorrectly labeled as Washington Focus.

# Secretary's Minutes: Hana Ferguson-Vega

The secretary read thank you letters from Tyler Carroll and Melanie Carroll for LCORT. Catherine Higgins wrote a thank you letter and thanked council for her wedding gift. There was a motion to approve the minutes for March 2015. Vote and motion passed.

1<sup>st</sup>: JoAnne Etchison 2<sup>nd</sup>: Dana Guidotti

**Treasurer's Report:** Dana Guidotti Beginning Balance: \$13,225.34

Total Income: \$9,010.05 Total Expenses: \$6,905.88

Ending Available Balance: \$15,329.51

Morgan Stanley (scholarship: \$55,749.11 Pacific Valley Bank CD: \$53,974.84 CD Total: \$109,723.95

Combined Total: \$125,053.46

## **Youth Reports/Club Sharing:**

Morgan Kaupp from Gonzales spoke about her arts and crafts project; they held an auction with their 4-H club and sold baked goods. Brent Wilkins from Lockwood talked about their club's upcoming participation in Wildflower Triathlon at lake San Antonio where they'll hand out water to the runners. Julaine Mullaney of Aromas talked about an upcoming garden themed house hop. Dana Guidotti shared that Miss California Rodeo Jynel Gularte (alumni of Buena Vista) visited Mission to share her 4-H experience and how it has helped her in college. Christina McPherson of Buena Vista 4-H talked about their Rabbit Knowledge Bowl and how the youth would like to make it a bigger event and possible recognized contest next year.

# All Star/CTA Report (Catherine Higgins):

Interviews for All Star applicants will be May 11<sup>th &</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> and installation will likely be in June. The age requirement for All Star is 15 while the age requirement for CTA is 14. Cheryl Wilson read a letter from Ashley Wilson (absent) congratulating Trent on being chosen for the state ambassador and thanked the All Stars for their support during the interview process. There are a total of eight state ambassadors. Trent also talked about how he emceed for Sectional Presentation Day and talked about the upcoming interviews for incoming All Stars.

### **Color Me Green Run:**

Megan Wasson, Travis Violini, Emily Violini, and Trent Baldwin all gave thanks to the county for their support in the green dye run that turned out to be a big success. There was a total of 114 runners with net earnings of over \$4,800. Megan mentioned that if event is repeated next year they would like to use their surplus of dye packets and t-shirts to help offset costs. Jennifer Wasson of San Benancio commented that if the event is repeated next year the All Stars should meet the requirements for being able to register for the run online.

### **Committee Reports:**

Incentives and Recognition:

Club council committee selection choices: Trina Hearne constructed a board that illustrated the current committees and all Monterey County 4-H clubs. Clubs were asked one by one if they wanted to keep their committees or modify/reject their committees. Most clubs kept their original committees. For the committees that were left over they were assigned to the clubs that needed additional committees to take on. There was a motion to approve the new committee assignments, vote and motion passed.

1<sup>st</sup>: Janet Wohlgemoth

2<sup>nd</sup>: Christina McPherson

Record book updates: Trina Hearne announced that there was no report.

## Council Food Booth:

The food booth committee had their first meeting prior to the council meetings. Small adjustments are being made to the menu and the committee plans on more advertising for the booth at the fair.

Fashion Review: Buena Vista

County Fashion Review will be on April 25<sup>th</sup> at the county offices from 9:00am til noon. Members are encouraged to attend for county participation requirements and to cheer on participants.

**Calendar** The calendar in the agenda was recognized as the current calendar.

**Staff Reports:** Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty, Tri County Youth Development Advisor: Santa Cruz will be having a Spring Fair on May 9<sup>th</sup>. They will have rabbit and poultry shows. Bio Security training will begin in Watsonville on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Monterey County has the most participants compared to the other counties involved, but more project leaders are still encouraged to join. It was announced that non-participants will be used as the control group for the study.

Lynn announced that there will be part time job openings for Santa Cruz and San Benito county. She also thanked the people involved in putting together Sectional Presentation Day. Mrs. Lorin Hofmann-Lurz was away at training.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

#### **New Business:**

Council Officer nominations for 2015/2016:

Cara Brents and Dana Guidotti spoke about their positions and encouraged people to make nominations. Non 4-H members can be on the executive board as long as they are registered with the county.

Cheryl Wilson promoted a Range Camp that is open to 4-H youth and non-4-H youth, she noted this conflicts with Cal Focus and 4-H camp.

#### **Adjournment:**

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09. Vote and motion passed.

1<sup>st</sup>: Diane Vorwerck

2<sup>nd</sup>: Jacque Palmer.

# **Next Meeting:**

June 16, 2015 at 7:00 at Monterey County Ag Offices

Submitted by Hana Ferguson of Buena Vista 4-H