Ashland 4-H County Leaders Meeting

January 9, 2023 at 6:30 pm

Roll Call: Kate Wallner, Jennifer Nortunen, Elissa Reimer, Seija Anderson, Becky Mika Secretaries Report: Published Treasurer's Report: checking \$5532.50, savings \$6198.57, CD \$6060.42, end of year insurance is now due

Old Business:

- Achievement Night & Volunteer Appreciation
 - Tentative March 25, 2023
 - Kate to confirm with Liz, NGLVC availability
 - PLO to confirm member awards at Feb 13th mtg
 - Kate will take the lead to coordinate the evening and recruit older 4H members/Ambassadors to assist with hosting the evening
- Senior Scholarships
 - Emails will be sent out January 11th and due February 6th. The Scholarship Committee will vote prior to the Feb 13th Leaders Association Meeting.
 - Reference letter forms are on the Ashland Co 4H website.
 - Kate planning to offer the scholarship application forms in three formats: pdf,
 SurkeyMonkey and paper format, to make the application as accessible as possible to the
 4H members
 - Scholarship Committee for 2023: Becky Mika, Elissa Reimer, Seija Anderson. 4H office to email out the completed scholarship applications to the Scholarship Committee members after the deadline.
- Member Evaluations (ME's)
 - Discussion held about percentage standards to award for ME. No changes made at this time.
 - Tuition expense for each event shared
 - Award Recipients shared

New Business:

- Mt. Ashwabay Summit Race Feb 3rd
 - Any families who want to assist and/or bake the prizes please reach out to the 4H office
- Teen Court up and running. Open to new members. Contact Kate Wallner if interested.
- Superior Days

• Mini-Grant Applications can be found <u>https://ashland.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/forms/</u> •

- 4-H Winter Camp Will not happen this year however discussion being held about feasibility of a Spring camp
- In-Person Get Together discussion about having this separate from PLO mtg
 - Feedback from Leaders Kate will poll for date availability and make final date decision

Added Agenda Items:

- Ashland Co Spring Event
 - PLO members would like to still have an asynchronous Ashland Co 4H event given the excellent participation in past events
 - Leaders noted whatever the spring event is, there is increased participation at the Ashland Co Fair for that same category (e.g. String Art spring event led to a dramatic increase in string art fair entries that Fall).
 - Leaders suggested Spring event be centered around photography given low fair entry participation in this category for 2022 plus ease of accessibility to basic cameras and cell phones to the vast majority of members.
 - Also discussed having a second option of TBD project/entry. Finalize details at a later date.
 - o PLO President will explore a small Thrivent Financial grant to help support this event

Adjourn:

• Next Meeting – February 13th at 6:30 pm