Ashland 4-H County Leaders Meeting

October 9, 2023 at 6:30 pm

Roll Call: Kate Wallner, Gina Pearce, Jeanne Pearce, Liz Arbuckle, Elissa Riemer, Seija Anderson, Becky Mika **Secretaries Report:** Submitted and posted on 4-H website **Treasurer's Report:** Checking \$6063.47 Savings \$1199.63 (+\$5100 from pie auction) CD \$6153.81

Old Business:

- **1.** Ashland County Fair (Aug. 17-20) *Thank you to everyone who helped make the fair a success!*
 - 4H Dairy Bar profit \$2153 which is just a little higher than normal. We did have a slight price increase and we also had \$548.14 donation from Chequamegon Dairy Association which helped us garner a bit more profit.
 - Pie auction bakers will be honored with a plaque, "4H Pie Bakers" at Ashland Co Fair grounds. We sincerely thank them all for their tasty generosity!
 - It was noted during the fair that frost caused the concrete to heave causing a truss to crack in the 4H Exhibit Hall. Ashland Co Fair Board is taking care of this. It also caused the skylight to separate, allowing water to seep into the exhibit hall. This was not noted during the Fair Board meeting but will now be brought to their attention and followed up on.
 - Discussing a "4-H Ag Olympics" during the fair for next year. Liz Arbuckle to coordinate with Denise Ruud.

New Business:

- 1. Leaders Association's Officer Elections
 - President Jennifer's term is now expired. Thank you for 15 years of service in this role! Jennifer has agreed to stay on one additional month for a delayed vote for new LA President during November meeting.
 - Treasurer Elissa Reimer was re-elected as Treasurer and accepted the position
- 2. 4-H Enrollment <u>https://wi.4honline.com</u> **Project Guide on 4-H County website*
- 3. Member Evaluations (ME's) Due to the Extension Office by 4 pm on Friday, October 13th
- 4. Senior Scholarship –Class of 2025 Due to the Extension Office by 4 pm on Friday, October 13th
 - Class of 2024 Students who received scholarships from this past year need to submit proof of enrollment. That wasn't made clear to the students in the application process. Kate/Blake following up with them.
 - Liz Arbuckle, Jeanne Pearce and Jennifer Nortunen will comprise the senior scholarship committee this year. Kate will sent out Zoom meeting invite for that meeting.
- 5. Record Books Due to the Extension Office by 4 pm on Friday, October 13th
 - 4-H Members Due to the Extension Office by 4 pm on Friday, October 13th
 - Leaders Club due date November 1st
- 6. Club Charters Completed online by Wednesday, November 1st
- **7.** Achievement Night & Volunteer Appreciation (November 11th) Time & location TBD.

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

8. 2023-2024 Leaders Association Monthly Meetings - Set meeting dates

Added Agenda Items:

- **1.** Oct 27, 28, 29, 10:00-4:00, Kate will be offering in person, drop-in office hours to offer tutoring and training for any club required paperwork e.g. Charter, AFR, 4H online, etc.
- 2. 4H Dairy Bar proposal to change the window openings from the current prop up wooden windows to roll up style windows. Concerns: several people cannot lift the doors, others are too tall and they are hitting their heads on the doors. An additional concern is the window panels are dry rotting. Estimate is \$1000/window for a total of \$4000.
- **3.** Also exploring stainless steel countertops approximately \$4500. Kate Wallner is exploring potential grants. Elissa Reimer exploring additional funding source.
 - Jeanne Pearce motioned to fund both Dairy Bar projects utilizing as much grant funding as possible then utilizing \$1000 from CD and remaining from checking and savings funds to cover any additional funds needed. Gina Pearce seconded. Motion carried.
- **4.** Kate and Blake will pursue getting on the Chequamegon Food Coop "Chip for Change" list again. Additionally, pursuing a rural development grant.

Adjourn:

- Next Meeting November 6th at 6:30 pm
- Future meetings will continue to be second Monday of the month apart from December and September where no meeting is held