

Ashland 4-H County Leaders Association Meeting

Monday, January 8th, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

Roll Call: Kate Wallner, Blake Frost, Brian Lintonen, Seija Anderson, Becky Mika, Elissa Riemer, Jeanne Pearce

Secretary's Report: Posted on 4-H Leaders Website

Treasurer's Report: Check \$6243.67, Savings \$6300.25, CD \$5185.61 (Note: \$1000, temporarily moved from CD to check in case we need quick access for the previously approved projects. If finances are not required, the \$1000 will be returned to the CD).

Old Business

1. Achievement Celebration (Nov. 11, 2023)

- <https://ashland.extension.wisc.edu/2023/11/09/event-saturday-november-11-4-h-achievement-celebration/>
- Senior Scholarships = 3, ME = 1
- Any feedback on the space/time/other logistics?
 - i. Space worked well, big enough and nice natural light
 - ii. consider one weekend earlier in November (ie not Veteran's Day)
 - iii. Full list of winners/awards to be sent to 4-H community
 - iv. Additional save the dates and reminders sent before event (for Kate: maybe adapt email signature to promote upcoming events)

2. Elections & Recruitment for President (other roles as well?)

- Messaging and clarity on incentives & expectations (utilize annual calendars & other tools)
- Description in Bylaws – any updates? DISCUSSION: At this time, LA recommend recruitment occurs first then Bylaw revision consideration occurs as indicated with new leadership team.
- Bylaws currently posted on website under the green bar labelled LA Bylaws and Meetings: <https://ashland.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/volunteers-and-leaders-association/>
- Next meeting might consider restarting different committees if pertinent

New Business

1. 4-H Yearbook from Fall 2022-2023 (like an Annual Report)

- Please see draft version linked in the meeting invitation or your email (also on Leaders page)
- **Share your club and/or event photos and information by Wednesday, January 26th**
 - Send Blake.Frost@wisc.edu any photos or wording you would like included, or...
 - ... you can text Kate photos or wording at **715.208.0664** as well if more convenient
- To be completed, available online, in hard copy, etc. by the end of this month
- Season Newsletters to start afterwards, starting with Spring (March)

2. Fundraisers & Grants

- Co-op - "Chip Up" program deadline was in fall, will add to this year's ask
- Super One – Bagging has been successful for other local groups. Kate is reaching out to Super One to identify the proper process for this.
- 4-H Foundation County Grant – see attached documents on Leaders page with Minutes
- Other options? Ashland Co Babysitting while parents/guardians shop over high shopping weekend
- Kate to Develop a "fundraiser menu"

3. Program updates (more flyers/specific info sent out by Jan. 15)

- CANSKI – 2 local groups happening on two different days in a coordinated fashion. If snow continues to be short, will add some other outdoor events
- American Spirit – 2 youth will be attending

- Ambassadors – kick off meeting late January (Youth 13-19) Hybrid kick off with teen input on meeting method and goals.
- Teen Court – recruitment of up to 6 youth will occur over the next 2 months. (Panelists can be 14-19 y.o., with appropriate recommendations)
- Summit Race – Mt Ashwabay opened this past weekend (a few runs). They are actively expanding hill runs and trails. Thus far Summit Race is still on in February.
- Young Adult Ski Patrol Program – available, Brain Lintonen assisting in instruction, Mt Ashwabay is welcoming young adult ski partrollers on their team. (Ages 15-18 y.o. then at age 18 these Youth Ski Patrollers can transition to the adult training and adult ski patrol).
- Winter Camp for Northern Wis. 4-H from Feb. 16-18th in Danbury, WI (more info and enrollment available via 4-H online)

Added Items

(No additional items at this time)

Adjourn:

**Next Meeting: Monday, February 12th @ 6:30 PM (Hybrid Model)
In-person at the Ashland County Courthouse or Zoom**