

## **June 3, 2020 Leaders Council Meeting held at Sheriff's Complex**

The meeting was called to order at 5.32 p.m. by President Sonja Gregory. Minutes were approved (Jenny Wherley/Stacie Arntzen) Treasurer's report was accepted and motion to file for audit passed. (Cody England/Tova Gerer)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS:**

State 4-H Congress is virtual. Registration is due June 15. Information has been mailed to all members 14 and older.

Jr Camp is limited to the first 30 kids. Registration forms mailed June 2 and are due June 15.

Saralyn is working on a possible day trip for Tweens as 2020 Tween Trip was canceled. More information to follow.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Livestock:** Emily Standley reported the Livestock Committee met and discussed contingency plans in case Montana is not at Phase 3 by fair. They voted to have a live and online sale, with the online sale hopefully being live streamed. The live sale will be conducted outside. Emily also reported there will be no carcass contest this year. The livestock committee will discuss the carcass contest again next year. The next Livestock Committee meeting will be **July 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the fair pavilion.**

**Horse:** Emily reported the Horse Committee met mid May and discussed contingency and show plans for fair. There will potentially be a limit on audience numbers depending on the current phase. If still in Phase 2, there will be no potluck after the Ranch Horse Show. A \$1500 grant was received from the Central MT Foundation for horse clinics. These will be held late June or early July. Dates to follow.

**Small Animal:** Cassandra Cox stated the Small Animal Committee has decided to have their shows outside under a tent. There will be a set number of animals each member can bring. The small animal barn will be set up so social distancing can be maintained. The Pocket Pet and Cat Shows will be held on a day other than Interview Day. More information to come.

**Miscellaneous/Plant/Soil:** No meetings have been held this spring. Super Saturday on March 14, 2020 was a success with wood art, photography, and leather workshops.

**FCS:** None

**Food Booth:** Yvette Hersel reported the Food Booth Committee has not met since February 6, 2020 due to COVID-19. Improvements needed to be made to the building and the stainless steel table were discussed. Jennifer Saunders stated there is a grant from the Elks to cover improvements. Any woodwork member who is looking for a community service project should contact Jennifer or Yvette regarding doors for the Food Booth. Yvette stated there is a

double glass door refrigerator donated by Grass Range that needs to be checked out and moved to the food booth. It could replace the small fridges currently used for pies.

## **OTHER REPORTS:**

**Ambassadors:** Cassandra Cox reported the Toiletry Drive is ongoing. The deadline to turn in items is June 15. Farm Safety Day, Traveling Farm, and Club Presentations were canceled due to COVID-19.

Raya Carlson stated the Farm Bureau grant which was intended for Farm Safety Day was returned. Ambassador applications are currently being accepted. Applicants must be 14 years old by October to apply.

**Montana 4-H Foundation:** None

**State Leaders Council:** None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Congratulations to the Leaders Council Scholarship Winners, Raya Carlson and Cassie Smith, as well as the Open Box Ranch Scholarship winner Morgan Ward!

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Food Booth:** Yvette stated she and Mindy have discussed a proposal for the Food Booth to operate this year. 6 adults (18 & older) would be needed to run the food booth: a cashier, a food runner, a cook, and workers for the taco bar/ice cream etc. In house seating will be closed off and a limited menu will be offered. They have been in contact with Sysco and Intermountain Distributing, both will continue to take back any unopened products.

A discussion was held regarding the food booth proposal. It was suggested the picnic tables be closed off as well or that the workers be prepared to sanitize in between each use. Jeremy England stated the Fair Board will be purchasing more handwashing stations. It was decided 8 stations would be needed.

A motion to allow Yvette and Mindy to write up and submit a proposal regarding the opening of the Food Booth for the 2020 Central Montana Fair was made and passed. (Chris England/Cody England)

Yvette and Mindy will write up the proposal and email it to Jennifer. Jennifer will forward it to the appropriate people.

**Fair Awards:** A discussion was held regarding how to handle rosettes vs medallions at fair. Medallions have already been purchased this year at a cost of \$8 each. Stickers have not been ordered yet. It was suggested to hold medallions for next year and purchase rosettes instead for 2020. Rosettes are available at \$1.95 each. (Last year 284 medallions were awarded totaling \$2272.00. 284 Rosettes totals \$553.80)

A motion to purchase rosettes to use at the 2020 Central Montana fair was made. (Anna Mack/Corry Arntzen)

Discussion continued regarding the fact the medallions have already been purchased and should be used before purchasing and switching to rosettes. A motion to amend the original motion to state that the medallions which have already been purchased be used for 2020 and consider switching to rosettes next year was made and carried. (Tova Gerer/Chris England)

The existing medallions will be used this year, Jennifer will order 2020 stickers to be placed on the medallions, and the Leaders Council will revisit using rosettes instead in 2021.

**Special 2020 Fair Plan:** Regarding the Static Project entries, a discussion was held pertaining to "Option 2" of the draft which was sent out. Denise explained the details of Option 2. 10 judges will be spaced out accordingly in the trade center, children will be dropped off for their interviews. Chairs will be provided for those waiting to interview. Kids will take all of their projects and visit with one judge. After they have completed their interviews, the 4-H member will take their projects to the appropriate table. Exhibits will be organized by project. When the judging has been completed, the judges will discuss each project and choose medallion winners. If still in Phase 2, everyone will be required to wear masks for their interviews. 4-H will provide masks. If in Phase 3, the schedule will remain the same however masks will not be required. Absentee interviews are available, as usual. Seniors will still be able to put their handprint on the ceiling of the Ag Building.

A motion to proceed with Option 2 with the understanding that there may still be minor revisions was carried. (Judi Martin/Pat Ward)

Jeremy England stated he would take the 4-H preferred display location to the fair board.

Jennifer Saunders will contact the fair office to check if there are any events between interview day and fair beginning that would interfere with 4-H exhibits remaining in the Trade Center.

Information pertaining to when exhibits will be able to be removed from the Trade Center will be forthcoming.

Emily reported some new changes regarding when animals are to be picked up by processors.

A motion was made to accept the draft proposal in its entirety with static Option 2, with the understanding there still may be minor revisions passed. (Tova Gerer/Jeremy England)

Jennifer will email it to all families.

The next meeting will be **Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Sheriff's Complex.**

Meeting Adjourned (Tova Gerer/Cody England)

## JUNE 3, 2020 LEADERS COUNCIL ATTENDEES

Jennifer Saunders  
Sonja Gregory  
Davey Storfa  
Stacey Arntzen  
Anna Mack  
Tova Gerer  
Denise Seilstad  
Emily Standley  
Saralyn Standley  
Jenny Wherley  
Yvette Hersel  
Raya Carlson  
Michelle Farley  
Chris England  
Jeremy England  
Leslie Long  
Tina Cox  
Cassandra Cox  
Pat Ward  
Corry Arntzen  
Cody England  
Judi Martin