

Lewis and Clark County 4-H Leader's Council

Meeting Minutes November 14, 2018

5:30 PM @ BHB

| Club Name | Member Name | Voting | Club Name | Member Name | Voting |
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| Big Sky 4-H | David Hamilton | No | Kountry Bumpkins | Laurie Sullivan | No |
| Big Sky 4-H | Josie Hamilton | Yes | Kountry Bumpkins | Luke Duran | No |
| Big Sky 4-H | McKenzie Tordale | No | Kountry Bumpkins | Marianne Baumeister | No |
| Extension | Kara Tangedal | | Montana City Mavericks | Elizabeth Bell | Yes |
| Gold Nuggets | Jana Gruber | Yes | Montana City Mavericks | Michelle Ostberg | No |
| Golden Livestock | Denice Harris | No | Sweet Clovers | Casey Peck | Yes |
| Golden Livestock | Olivia Harris | Yes | Sweet Clovers | Erin Weisgerber | No |
| Golden Livestock | Becky deMontigny | No | Treaters and Feeders | Daisy Feight | Yes |
| Kountry Bumpkins | William Sullivan | Yes | Worth Yer While | CJ Lassila | Yes |

| Agenda Item | Discussion | Motion/Recommendation |
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| Call to Order/Pledges | David called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM. McKenzie Tordale led the pledges. | |
| Minute Approval | The minutes from the October meeting were approved. | Bill Sullivan made a motion to approve the minutes as they stand. Jana Gruber seconded the motion. Discussion was requested 3 times. The motion was approved unanimously. |
| Treasurer's Report | <p>Erin gave the treasurer's report. The current year end report at September 30, 2018 shows a yearly operating loss of approximately \$5600, however there are some outstanding deposits that are not reflected in the current balance sheet that will show a gain of approximately \$4000 for the year ending September 30, 2018. We are working with the accountant to get this corrected.</p> <p>As of October 31, 2018 the Council checking account had a balance of \$3,548.10 and the Livestock Sale checking account had a balance of \$39,058.21. Total income in October was \$326.74 and total expenditures were \$1,802.89.</p> | |
| Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extension Office • Outdoor • Indoor | Extension Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kara reported that the new website will go live on Friday. She received 20 returned surveys and made changes to the website as necessary based on the recommendations. | |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambassadors • Foundation • Clubs • Building Committee • Other | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Youth Council has been formed. Nominations for officers were made and will go out on the website and other social media sites. Bylaws will be drafted that will mirror the Leader’s Council. Any youth enrolled in 4-H and at least 8 years old are eligible to attend the Youth Council. However, officers will need to be enrolled in the Teen Leadership project. Any youth present at the next meeting are eligible to vote on the bylaws. • Superintendents should get any changes to the Exhibitor’s Handbook submitted soon. • A Policy Proposal Form is available at the Extension Office if needed. <p>Outdoor Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David reported that there were a lot of new items for discussion at the Monday night meeting. Three of those items are on the Council’s agenda tonight. • The committee is looking at doing something different for Herdsmanship. Rather than doing this as an individual they are exploring doing this as a club for a week with a prize at the end of the week. • There will be a few small changes to times in the Exhibitor’s Handbook. • There will be no Adult Round Robin in the Exhibitor’s Handbook. • The committee is looking into doing something about the railing around the bottom of the pig pens. • Beef Tagging is scheduled for January 6th from 12:00-2:00 at the BHB. • A Round Robin Showmanship Clinic will be held sometime in May or June. Planning is starting now. <p>Indoor Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michelle reported that there were only 6 window displays this year. The committee is looking at different ways to promote this activity next year. • The Open House on October 14th went really well. • Awards Night was held on October 28th. • Dates set for upcoming events include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LC County Shooting Sports Invitational – January 19 ○ Grand Foods – February 9 ○ Communications Day – March 17 ○ Sewing Review – April 29 • The committee welcomed a few new Superintendents. • The committee received kudos from Billings and Gallatin County on how Indoor Judging is handled in Lewis & Clark County. Both were impressed at how judging only takes a few hours vs up to 2 days. • The next meeting is scheduled for November 27th. <p>Ambassadors:</p> | |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report. <p>Foundation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Annual Meeting was held on October 30th. There wasn't a large turnout so there was discussion about how to get more people involved. The Foundation approved Council's operational budget for this year. Elections were held with the following officers elected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> President – Josh McKay Vice President – Jay Bodner Secretary – the seat is still unfilled Youth Reps – Claire Downing & Cade Duran There will be no Dream Big Raffle next year. A subcommittee is being formed to explore other fundraising options. If anyone has ideas, please talk with Foundation members. The next meeting will be December 5th at 5:30 PM. <p>Clubs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates. <p>Building Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unfortunately, the water was not turned off in the back of the BHB this fall and a pipe froze which caused a leak. The water has been shut off now, but the damage won't be assessed or fixed until everything thaws next spring. The committee would prefer that the water be shut off right after the fair each year, but the Fairgrounds uses the water for dog shows in the fall and this year it was missed to get the water shut off before the cold weather hit. | |
| <p>Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other | <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> David took the Operational Guideline Committee off the agenda this month until we have more information to discuss. | |
| <p>New Business</p> | <p>David reported that at the meeting on Monday night there were several things discussed, three of which were added to the agenda tonight. Due to the lack of turnout tonight, however, these items will be discussed, but voting will be delayed giving more clubs an opportunity to comment.</p> <p>Outdoor Committee Voting (Who):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Youth Council made a recommendation to the Outdoor Committee that the following should get a vote when electing committee officers at the October meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Superintendent – 1 vote (per project) Jr. Superintendent – 1 vote (per project) | <p>Bill Sullivan made a motion to table the decision on this recommendation until the December meeting to allow this item to be posted in the December newsletter, giving clubs a chance to discuss and vote at the next meeting. Luke Duran seconded the</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4-H Clubs – 1 vote per club <p>At all other meetings, the following votes would be counted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Project Superintendent – 1 vote (per project) ○ Jr. Superintendent – 1 vote (per project) <p>When multiple Superintendents or Jr. Superintendents were present from one project in any meeting, a decision would need to be made within that group as to who would be the voting member.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A motion was made at the committee meeting for this recommendation to be passed to Council for a vote. • David asked whether the Indoor Committee would want to follow the same idea. Michelle said this is basically how Indoor operates. David recommended that both committees formally adopt the same guidance. <p>Outdoor Superintendent Term Limits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was discussion at the Outdoor Committee meeting about term limits for Superintendents and Committee Chairs. The Jr. Superintendents recommended 2-year term limits for Superintendents. This new process would take affect in 2020. There are currently 14 Outdoor Superintendents. This would allow 7 Superintendents to be elected to a 2-year term in 2020 and the next 7 Superintendents to be elected to a 2-year term in 2021. • If a Superintendent were to step down for some reason within their term, they would be replaced, however the new Superintendent would remain on the original election cycle. • The Jr. Superintendents recommended 3-year term limits for Outdoor Committee Chairs. This position has more duties including managing the Lewis & Clark County Open Fair. The Jr. Superintendents also recommended that in order for someone to be eligible to be an Outdoor Committee Chair, they must be a current Outdoor Superintendent. <p>Barn Closure at 10:00 PM rather than 11:00 PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee recommends that the livestock barns be closed to the public at 10:00 PM rather than 11:00 PM. Youth and family with animals and a green wristband would still be allowed to enter the barn until 11:00 PM through one designated door. The barn would close to 4-H at 11:00 PM. This recommendation is due to safety concerns for youth and for the animals. • David noted that this issue, if approved by Council, would need to be taken to the Fair Board for approval as well, so asked that due to time constraints for the Board's next meeting and the need to post changes in the Exhibitor's Handbook, that a vote be taken tonight. <p>Meeting Time for Council:</p> | <p>motion. Discussion was called for 3 times. The vote was approved unanimously.</p> <p>Bill Sullivan made a motion to table the decision on these recommendations until the December meeting giving clubs a chance to discuss and vote at the next meeting. Jana Gruber seconded the motion.</p> <p>Jana Gruber made a motion to approve this recommendation and have the Livestock Barns closed at 10:00 PM rather than 11:00 PM. Daisy Feight seconded the motion. Discussion was called for 3 times. The motion was approved unanimously.</p> <p>Olivia Harris made a motion to change the</p> |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David requested that the Council’s meeting time be changed to 6:00 PM from 5:30 PM. This would give the Executive Committee a chance to meet prior to the meeting rather than meeting on a separate night. It will also make it easier for some people to make it to the meeting. • Michelle commented that some youth may have conflicts on Wednesday night. • The next Council Meeting will be held on December 12th at 6:00 pm. The change in time will be communicated in the newsletter. | Council Meeting time to 6:00 PM. Jana Gruber seconded the motion. Discussion was called for 3 times. The motion was approved unanimously. |
| Announcements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor Meeting – November 27 – Extension Office 5:30 pm • Foundation Meeting – December 5 – Extension Office 5:30 pm • Outdoor Meeting – December 10 – Extension Office 5:30 pm • Council Meeting – December 12 – BHB 6:00 pm • Beef Tagging – January 6 – BHB 12:00-2:00 pm • Watch newsletter for project workshops and announcements • No scheduled Sales Committee Meeting at this time • New Family Orientation has been cancelled for next week. This will be rescheduled for January. Watch the newsletter for updates. • Club Officer Training will be scheduled sometime in January or February. Watch for an announcement in the newsletter. • Re-Enrollments are due December 31st. Re-Enrollments received after that time will be \$50. • New families have until May 1, 2019 to enroll, however enrollments must be received at the Extension Office prior to participating in any county events. | |
| Next Meeting | Meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM. | |