

CHERRY COUNTY 4H COUNCIL

March 7, 2023 at Cherry County Extension Office

Attendees: Connor Barnes, Sherry Dahn, Michelle Garwood, Hope Ramm, Laura Willert, Bodell Bachelor, Amanda Jones, Katie Garwood, Eve Millar, Melanie Radant, Shalee Arendt, Jojo Jordan, Wesley Willert

Connor called the meeting to order at 7:40pm central time.

Previous meetings minutes were read. Bodell moved to accept and Laura seconded, all in favor.

Bodell nominated Shalee for 2023 secretary and Sherry nominated Hope. Hope is 2023 secretary.

Michelle and Laura went over financial report. Did not finish or approve report yet due to a few missing numbers.

Michelle brought up curriculum ideas for the amount donated by Wesley.

- \$294.37 worth of inventory (UNL)
- \$527.04 in National 4H
- Total not to exceed \$1,000 INCLUDING shipping.

Laura moved to approve, Shalee second, all in favor.

Michelle discussed office supply ideas from Quill.

- \$293.14 plus free shipping – includes crayons, markers, etc
- \$557.02 on totes

Bodell moved to accept, Amanda second, all in favor.

Mentioned help with shooting sports (Jason) with a training involved.

CEA contest postponed.

Robot department –

- \$400 to coaches
- \$264 for state t-shirts

Bodell moved to accept, Amanda second, all in favor.

Bodell brought up some ideas for this year:

- Real tablecloths ~\$7 each from Quill
- Each council member help with gathering donations for Luck of the Draw, regardless of committee.
- Move up time frame for asking for and gathering donations to hopefully avoid holiday washout.
- Create a sign up sheet with job details for shifts during Luck of the Draw.
- Better boxes for ticket collection to help expedite the process while maintaining organization.
- More tables. Mike Burge offered tables used for Fast Draw.

Reminded that new members need to get screening done online. This includes any volunteers as well.

4H foundation meets once a year, asked who would like to represent.

- Shalee, Bodell, and Melanie agreed with Eve remaining as core member.
- March 14 at 6pm at extension office is next meeting for foundation.

Asked about extending fair auction to other species.

BUDGET

- \$11,546 for 1% livestock and grants
- \$26,215 balance
- Little less than \$10,000 after expenses.
- "special project fund" will be what's leftover.

Sherry moved to accept budget, Bodell second, all in favor.

Suggested KVSH run year-long ads at \$25-\$50 per package – could be considered "special project" and eventually work into regular budget.

Informed that council bank statements are now required to go to a personal address, not the office. Agreed they'll just go to PO Box of treasurer.

Members are to think about what committee they would like to serve on.

March 24 4:30pm-6:30 is info fair at the Valentine Library to update public on summer activities.

A babysitting class will be held in late May.

Suggested to try livestock judging on May 30 this year.

Suggested, this year, sending out a flyer and check off activities one may be interested in since no one RSVPs anymore, this could help get a better idea of number that may attend.

Bodell organized the size list of shirts and tags for new council members. Agreed we will stick with Sand Shooters to get shirts done.

Audit next meeting.

Next meeting will be May 2 at 6:30pm central time in Kilgore Community Hall.

Melanie moved to adjourn, Amanda second, all in favor.