CALL TO ORDER: President Todd Lay at 7:00p.m.

ROLL CALL:
Members present: Jerry Allen, Chris Anderson, Twila Bankson, Don Burbach, Carol Chitko-McKown, Rebecca Owen, Hollie Stark, Jeanette Uden, Troy Vorderstrasse, Grace Woodward. Junior Leaders present Cara Crandall, JD Ochsner and Lacey Uden.

Members absent: Nikka Bowen, Glen Bonifas, Noel Nienhueser and Doug Nienhueser.

Staff present: Beth Maricle and Ron Seymour

Ag Society: Julie Ochsner.

MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY March 7th 2011 MEETING:
Motion made to accept March 2011 minutes by Jerry Allen, and second by Chris Anderson. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:
None

TREASURER’S REPORT: Presented by Twila Bankson. JD Ochsner motion to approve Treasurer’s report, seconded by Jeanette Uden. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Welding, Fair items.

BILLS PRESENTED: None

STAFF REPORTS:

RON: Ron reported that he has been doing the youth enrichment program with local schools. The dog shows judge for 2011 has been hired. Ron has also been working with the 4th graders in Grand Island on various workshops. The nutrition education position has been advertised and they would prefer to have a dietician for this job.

BETH: Beth had been busy correcting tests for shooting sports. The shooting sports awards and picnic had been held and they were able to have the picnic in the center activities building. Beth reported that she has also been finalizing workshops and ads for the Tribune, and working on the fairbook and livestock clinic.
OTHER BOARD REPORTS:

AG SOCIETY REPORT: NO REPORT

EXTENSION BOARD REPORT: NO REPORT

JR LEADERS: Cara reported that they played bingo at Good Samaritan Village. Went bowling in March. They will have no meeting in May. Cara reported that the Junior Leaders were not interested in doing the concessions for horse show.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. AUCTION: NONE

B. BUDGET:

C. FUNDRAISING:

D. LEADERS BANQUET:

E. LIVESTOCK:

F. NOMINATIONS:

G. STATIC COMMITTEE:

H. OTHER:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. 4-H COUNTY CAMP: Currently there are 7 kids from Filmore county and 4 from Adams county enrolled. The cost of the camp will be 110.00 per youth. Beth reported that they are currently looking for older youth to be camp counselors. The counselors have to be at least 15 years old.

b. 4-H PAPER CLOVER PROMOTION: This will once again be held at Tractor Supply. Tractor supply will also be hosting the Easter egg hunt on the 16th of April.

c. 4-H TENTATIVE CALENDAR. These were handed out at the meeting so that everyone could see what is scheduled up until fair.

d. SPEECH AND PERFORMING ARTS: Julie and Carol reported that they had at least half of the youth cancel due to the musical. It was mentioned that perhaps next year they look at the scheduling around school musical.

e. 4-H SUMMER WORKSHOPS: Newsletter included the handout that had the summer workshops listed on them. All but two of the workshops are in Hastings.
f. RIBBONS FOR SUPPORTERS: Julie mentioned that it would be nice to see our sponsors receive a large ribbon that they could use to show they support 4-H and also as a thank you for their support.

g. QUILTS FOR VALOR: Julie reported that the fashion board would like to see how many quilts each county can make, then add a bed turning to the fair.

NEW BUSINESS:

FAIR ITEMS: Ron requested that an Entomology contest be added to the fair. Motion was made that an Entomology contest be added to the fair on Wednesday in the youth building. 2nd made by JD. Motion was carried.

WELDING: Beth stated that in the fair book it allows for 3rd year can do 1st and 2nd year projects. Motion was made by Rebecca to remove the rule that allows for 3rd year to do 1st and 2nd year projects. Motion 2nd by Jeanette. Motion carried.

CHANGES FOR 2011 FAIR BOOK:

MOTIONS:

Agronomy – Largest ear of corn contest: remove the largest ear of corn contest from the agronomy section and change the wording of the contest in that section to refer to the contests section.

Meat Goats: Change rule K to read: All meat goats must have blunted horns.

Poultry- Switch the order of the male classes to be consistent with the order of the female classes.

Dogs- Add to the section on Disqualified Dogs: any dog that bites a person or another dog will be disqualified. Cats: unmanageable cats will be disqualified at the discretion of the judge or superintendent.

Livestock changes will be discussed with that committee. Lacey motioned to accept the rule changes for Agronomy, Meat Goats, Poultry, Dogs, (With the addition to Cats that are unmanageable will be disqualified at the discretion of the superintendent or the judge). The motion was 2nd by Rebecca. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: MAY 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Hollie Stark