ADAMS COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

November 14th, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: Todd Lay at 7:01 pm

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Jerry Allen, Twila Bankson, Don Burbach, Todd Lay, Noel Nienhueser, Jeanette Uden, and Hollie Stark (late) Ag Society Rep: Julie Ochsner; Extension Staff: Beth Maricle

Members absent: Chris Anderson, Glen Bonifas, Monika Bowen, Carol Chitko-McKown, Rebecca Owen, Troy Vorderstrasse, Grace Woodward; Junior Leaders: Cara Crandell, JD Ochsner, Lacey Uden; Chamber of Commerce Rep: Doug Nienhueser; Extension Staff: Ron Seymour, Kayte Tranel

Due to no quorum, the minutes, treasurer’s report and all motions will need to be approved at the December 5th meeting.

MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 3RD MEETING will be approved at the December 5th meeting

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you note from Kases for Kids

TREASURER’S REPORT & BILLS PRESENTED: Presented by Twila Bankson. Bills presented and approved included: Cash-Wa $40.91 for Leaders Banquet table covers and Rixstine Recognition $162.00 for plaques for Achievement night.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Jeanette Uden would like to discuss posting forms to the Adams County 4-H Website.

STAFF REPORTS:

BETH: Attended National 4-H Agent meeting that was held in Omaha. She helped with Farm Safety day in the first part of October focusing on livestock safety. Beth put on the Kases for Kids workshop which had 36 youth and adults in attendance. She has also been busy with Achievement night and planning.

RON & KAYTE: Not present, see written report

OTHER BOARD REPORTS

AG SOCIETY REPORT: The fair dates have been moved up to July 18-22 due to change in contract situation with the carnival. She also reported that the barns (from small animal through beef) will be torn down and a pole barn will be put up that will encompass the street and former building locations. The dimensions will be 300 by 210 feet. The shooting sports building will have some updates including: new garage doors, new walk through door, ceiling grid, tiles, and lights.

EXTENSION BOARD REPORT: Todd Lay discussed the purchase of a printer ink
JR LEADERS: No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AUCTION: No Report

BUDGET: None

FUNDRAISING: No Report

LEADERS BANQUET: No Report

LIVESTOCK: A motion was made by Jeanette Uden and seconded by Jerry Allen to increase the hot carcass weight to 1000 pounds before being penalized in the carcass contest. Don Burbach made a motion and Twila Bankson seconded that DNA must be pulled at the beginning of the market animal project weigh-in for Beef, Sheep and Goat species. Swine DNA must be obtained by a UNL Extension staff member by the corresponding year deadlines.

NOMINATIONS: Wryan Wright and Scott Heinrichs were nominated and will be voted on at the next meeting.

STATIC COMMITTEE: Discussion of changing time of release for exhibits. The ribbon placings will not be marked on bake sale items.

OTHER: The voting on 4-H shirt designs collected $52.74 which will be used towards the screen print setting cost. There was discussion of combining designs, but it was decided against it because of the contest to determine the design. There was some discussion about the design not being unisex and the council wanted to make changes, but the council will work with the Junior Leaders to see if the design is acceptable to youth. The council will have the final vote. Beth was going to get information about prices from places that could print the shirts. There was discussion of changing to various colored shirts instead of just white or grey, but if that happens, then the dress code rules must be changed in the premium book.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BEEF WEIGH DAY: It will be held on January 14th, 2012 from 11am to 1pm at the Animal Clinic. 4-H’ers will need to be aware of the changes to the fair dates in order to make adjustments when picking out animals.

FALL & WINTER WORKSHOPS: The Great Cookie Exchange will be on December 3rd and the Clover Kids Winter Day will be December 10th.

NEW BUSINESS:

2012 FAIR DATES: July 18-22 Todd Lay suggested moving the sale to Saturday or Sunday with a bbq at the beginning or end of the sale. Consideration of the demolition derby time and potentially moving other shows around will need to think about if moving the sale.
4-H COUNCIL CHARGE AT Cash-Wa Candy Co: Noel Nienhueser made a motion seconded by Jerry Allen to that a charge account be opened in the name of Adams County 4-H Council at Cash-Wa Candy Co.

4-H KICK OFF: It was postponed from the January 8, 2012 date. Instead there will be an open house at the Extension Office conference room where people can then join 4-H that night. New 4-H members can sign up to have a past 4-H family mentor. There will be a shooting sports sign up prior to the soup supper.

MEDAL ORDER FOR 2012: Will have to order a larger quantity of medals for next year because they are out of pins for some areas so more will need to be ordered.

OTHER: Jeanette Uden brought up a request to have all forms available for families to obtain online instead of in multiple mailings. This would also include scholarship forms and show fliers. Hopefully this should reduce costs of multiple mailings and allow 4-H families easier access to the information without having to make a trip to the office. For families that do not have internet access all of the forms can still be available in hard copy at the office. Webster County Extension Office does a good job of posting forms online for the families.

It was discussed to make sure to put the new fair dates in the December newsletter and make sure to let everyone know that fair will be earlier this year!!!

Noel Nienhueser made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Jerry Allen. Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jeanette Uden