

Knox County 4-H Council Minutes – June 9, 2020

A regular meeting of the Knox County 4-H Council was held by Zoom on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Matt Fritz, President.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were recited.

Roll call was held with the following council members present:

District 1 – Heidi Ruzicka	(Absent- Jesse Rader, Cade Rader)
District 2 – Matt Fritz, Karlyn Condon, Jorgan Condon	
District 3 – Glenda & Kaitlyn Byerly, Kayla Eisenhauer, Chad Vanness, Derek & Dyson Cunningham	
District 4 – Julia Nielsen	(Absent- Neil Peed, Gage Wickersham)
District 5 – Michaela Jessen, Pamela Dennis	(Absent-Andrew Dennis)

Also present were Megan Hanefeldt, Mary Ketelsen, Amy Johnson, Debi Doerr, Alex Wiebelhaus, Kyle Eisenhauer and Keith Byerly.

Approval of Agenda – Glenda moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Michaela. Roll call vote, ayes-all, nays-none. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report – Derek moved to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2020 meeting as sent out. Seconded by Kaitlyn. Roll call vote, ayes-all, nays-none. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – The treasurer's report was presented by Karlyn with a beginning balance of \$9,743.04 on February 29, 2020 and the current balance of \$9,549.35 as of May 31, 2020 (see attached). Jorgan moved to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Dyson. Roll call vote, ayes-all, nays-none. Motion carried.

Officer Reports - none

Committee Reports – none

Educational Program – Megan presented information on the Make & Take Kits for Project Day and Clover Kid camp and the Virtual resources that are available.

Unfinished Business –

1. **2020 Showmanship Awards** – Julia presented information on the vest. \$35.00 each but adult small is the smallest size available. More discussion followed on the awards and possibly offering champion and reserve champion. Kaitlyn asked if she could draw up some designs for the shirts. Julia will get more information on some cheaper awards.

New Business –

1. **Pre-Fair Contest Discussion** –
 - a. Cook-Off Contest cancelled for 2020.
 - b. Pending guidance from the State 4-H Office, a decision will be made on the Food Revue Contest, Talent Contest, Presentation Contest and Fashion Show. The Presentation Contest and Fashion Show are State Fair eligible.
2. **Shooting Sports (SS) Update** – Megan has spoken with several of the SS leaders who are concerned about holding practices and contests and following the guidelines. Glenda asked if one discipline can be held and others not and how are the SS leaders going to get enough hours to keep certified. Matt felt they need to move forward and social distance. Others were in agreement. Keith understands why archery would be difficult with the sharing of bows; but felt the other disciplines could be held. Matt suggested we give them our support. Megan will reach out to the SS leaders.

3. **Static Exhibit Judging –**
 - a. There will be no interview judging this year.
 - b. Discussion was held on options for dropping off the static exhibits: normal drop-off; tables outside by department; drop off inside the building by department. The consensus was to have as normal drop-off as possible. May need to space further apart and have different drop-off times for families to limit the number of people.

4. **Livestock Show Options –** A lengthy discussion was held on the options for showing the livestock. Fairs around the state are already going to one-day shows and are fit and ready to be shown off the trailer. Kyle & Kayla shared information from a Saunders County Show held recently: stalls were spaced 6 feet apart, the ring was extra big, separate staging area and no bleachers. Several agreed with the no stalling and have one-day shows, but agreed that the wash racks would need to be open. Most would like to see the fair as normal as possible, but want to keep safe for everyone. It will also depend on how normal the overall fair will be.

5. **Spectators -** Discussion was held on limiting numbers, live streaming, shows online. Matt felt to wait for the next health directive and make as normal as possible.

6. **Update on 4-H Council Scholarship Applications –** Taylor Arens and Melanie Vanness submitted applications for the 4-H Council scholarship. Each will be awarded \$250.00 after their first semester of college.

7. **Renew American Income Life Insurance Policy –** Chad moved to renew the policy for this next year in the amount of \$435.00 (see attached). Seconded by Glenda. Roll call vote, ayes-all, nays-none. Motion carried.

8. **Next Meeting date -** the next meeting is scheduled for July 20 at 7:30 pm.

Other Business: A thank-you was read from Taylor Arens.

Announcements: none

Adjournment: No other business, Heidi moved to adjourn. Seconded by Kaitlyn and Matt adjourned the meeting at 9:08 pm.

Recorded by Mary Ketelsen