

Kitsap County 4-H Council Minutes
August 6, 2009

Meeting called to order at 6:36 P.M. by **Toni Blanchard**
Pledge of Allegiance led by **Rachel Houston**
4-H Pledge led by **Abby Brandt**

Individuals in attendance:

Vicki Avery	Toni Blanchard	Abby Brandt	Heidi Brandt		
Corrina Coan	Brian Coolbaugh	Traci Coolbaugh	Chuck Endicott	Emily Grice	
Kay Hibler	Harry Hibler	Rachel Houston	Shawn Konkler	Debbie McKeever	
Asa Norwood	Harriet Norwood	Karen Plank	Barbara Poss	Toni Probert	Claire Watson

A motion to pass the July minutes was made by Chuck Endicott and Seconded by Corrina Coan.

The July minutes were approved after two corrections.

Treasurer report:

- 4-H Council checking account balance ~ \$ 5350.54
 - Deposits~\$ 2,028.08
 - Expenses~\$ 3,482.83
 - Investments:
- Camp account balance ~\$ 9,596.08

The treasurer's report was approved as read, pending an investigation into the Berkenfeld Fund usage.

Correspondence: None

Guests: Shawn and Ryan Konkler

Alex gave us an overview of his trip and competition at the National Archery Competition. He described for council his experiences and fellowship with new friends from different areas and backgrounds. He thanked Council for helping him finance this exceptional experience. He is returning with a goal of encouraging others to attend the National Archery Competition.

Rachel Houston also spoke of her growth from attending the National Archery Competition. They both have made new friends and gained in valuable experience for the future.

Kelly Fisk's 4-H News Presented by Vicki Avery:

- Kelly Fisk is on annual leave, but will return next week. Please be aware that the 4-H office staff will be busy setting up the 4-H office at the Fairgrounds next week. All call backs and e-mails will be returned as soon as the staff is able.
- **“LEADER OF THE YEAR”** nominations should be sent to Kelly Fisk as soon as possible-they are due by the end of August. Submit a short paragraph with the leader's name and why you think he/she should be this year's recipient of the “Leader of the Year Award” to kfisk@wsu.edu. Kelly will be submitting the county's recipient for state recognition in September.
- **This year, our 4-H office is partnering with the Fair Office, Library and other organizations to put on the Kitsap County Fair Farmer for a Day area. We are looking for volunteers to assist with shifts during fair. Please contact Kelly Fisk or Vicki Avery to sign-up.**
- **WSU Football is partnering with 4-H on September 19th at Martin Stadium. Special reserved cheering section, tickets and pre-game BBQ are available. Visit 4h.wsu.edu for more information.**

- **WA State 4-H Council Meeting-Deadline September 1st. This is a great way for 4-H volunteers to suggest changes/improvements to the 4-H program. Recommendations should go through a process at the local county level for refining and approval before they are signed by the Council President and 4-H Faculty and then submitted for the meeting on Sunday, October 18th in Grand Mound, WA. The form it should be submitted to Kelly Fisk on can be found at: <http://cru.cahe.wsu.edu/CEPublications/c0985/c0985.pdf> For more information, visit the State 4-H Forum Website online at 4-h.wsu.edu.**
- **Vicki Avery will check with the Fair Office to find out how the 4-H Superintendents are to pick up their passes and parking permits. Thanks Vicki!**

Upcoming Events:

August 25~ 7:00 P.M.- Market Animal Pictures- Fairgrounds
 August 26-30~ KITSAP COUNTY FAIR
 August 27~ 7:00 A.M. Market Animal Pictures-Fairgrounds
 August 29~ 11:00 A.M. - Market animal Auction- Fairgrounds

NW District Teen Rally~ Kitsap County is hosting the rally for the Puget Sound area this fall 2009! Teen Rally is an opportunity for 4-H youth to meet teens from other counties, participate in interactive educational workshops, listen to great speakers, enjoy great food, camp together and have FUN!

What: Hop to the Top NW District Teen Rally
When: November 6-8, 2009
Where: Sound View Camp in Longbranch, WA (Pierce County-Key Peninsula)
How: Registration will be available soon....

We are still looking for more teens to participate in the Teen planned even. That's right- this event is planned by teens, for teens. State Ambassador Teens met with me at the Teen Conference in Pullman this last weekend and are anxious to get some great workshops planned and speakers scheduled. Contact Kelly for more information: 337-7162 or kfisk@wsu.edu

Camp update:

1st Session had 32 people attend including staff
 16 of the attendees were TC or campers
 2nd Session had 70 people attend including staff
 45 of the attendees were TC or campers
 Cub Scout Campout last weekend had 7 adults and 7 cub scouts in attendance.
 Camp was closed up on July 27th.

Corrina Coan presented an overview of 2nd session and felt it had been a successful event. All involved with camp feel the need to promote camp to all 4-H families.

The need for documentation of camp use was addressed. Chuck Endicott, Corrina Coan or the 4-H office have keys to the gate at camp. If a family or 4-H group would like to use the facilities, they must contact the 4-H office to let them know when, how many, and who will be going to camp. If the camp isn't already scheduled for someone else the 4-Hers can get keys from Corrina, Chuck or the 4-H office. Please keep a record of when you went to camp and when you left as well as how many people were there to turn in to the 4-H office.

Arno Bergstrom is planning on starting a new Camp Committee this fall. Arno B. is also planning on changing the lock at camp.

Emily Grice expressed interest in bringing students from her school to 4-H camp to set up an environmental project. She will contact Arno Bergstrom to set this up.

Award committee: No Report

Archery~ National Archery Contest Participants spoke about their trip.

Camp Committee~ The dam that creates Twin Lakes was repaired and the water level was much higher this year. Dock permits are still in the process of being approved. It was felt that the floating walkway had less impact on the environment than an anchored walkway

Cats~ Participated in Super Saturday, painting and cleaning. They are busy getting ready for Fair.

Clothing~ They are also busy getting ready for Fair.

Dogs~ None

Educational Displays~ Toni Blanchard reminded everyone that table educational displays will be judged by one of Toni's judges on Wednesday, Aug. 26 during Fair. Toni is going to be strictly enforcing the educational display rules in the premium book, so please refer to the guidelines set forth in the exhibitor guide.

Environmental Stewardship~ None

Expressive Arts~ None

Finance~ None

Food~ Emily Grice will be back in school during Fair this year and needs volunteers on Thursday and Friday from 9-9 P.M. to keep the days available for contests. Volunteers must be 20 years old, but need no experience. Please contact Emily Grice if you can help in this area.

Gardening~ Getting ready for Fair.

Horses~ The Benefit Horse Show put on by Kitsap Horse 4-H was held July 24, 25, and 26th as a 4-H fund raiser. It was a huge success. Stalls for Fair have been assigned to clubs.

Milly Tree~ Anyone working the Fair or stopping to pick up passes in the next few weeks is requested to water the Milly Tree, in front/next to the Beef Barn. It looks like it is being neglected of late. There is a water faucet inside the beef barn behind the ½ wall that can be used to water the tree.

Needlework~ None

Poultry~ None

Rabbit/Cavies~ The barn looks great after the paint parties.

Record Books~ Over 200 record books were submitted and there was 10 hours of judging by a dedicated group. Ribbons were not available, so there are no ribbons in the books. It was brought up that having the judging on Super Saturday eliminated the possibility of people working on the Fair Grounds from participating in the Record Book Judging. This will be brought to the Record Book Committee.

Super Saturday Many hard working 4-H volunteers praised the Fair Office on the wonderful luncheon they provided, and how efficiently it was held. A thank you note will be delivered to the Fair Office in time to be presented at the next Fair Board Meeting.

T-Shirt Fund Raiser~ T-shirts are selling quickly! Kay Hibler and her friend sold shirts at a booth during Super Saturday, where there was a good showing. They were on sale at the council meeting and will be available on the poster turn in date. Contact Kay Hibler if you would like a customized shirt with your name, club, or position on it for a \$5 extra fee. The shirts were purchased through a company in Seattle, Norwest Graphics, by Brian Coolbaugh. Last years t-shirt, submitted by Ken Kramer, won a state award. He intends to submit this year's shirt as well.

WE NEED PEOPLE TO MAN THE T-SHIRT BOOTH AT FAIR-SAME LOCATION AS LAST YEAR (ACROSS FOR CAT BARN) Contact Kay Hibler or Brian Coolbaugh to sign-up a shift!!!!!!

Teen Rally~ “Hop to the Top” will take place from November 6-8th 2009 at Sound View Camp and more teens are needed to help organize this event.

Old Business:

Bruce Bradley will be contacted in regards to the use of the Berkenfeld Funds.

New Business:

Kay Hibler proposed a revision of the application form for scholarship/campships. It was proposed by Kay that members requesting funding need not attend a council meeting to receive the funds, but need to complete the form, submit receipts, return to Council to talk about the experience, and promote the event with a poster during Fair. Kay created a revised form for Council members to read and approve.

Rachel spoke to the benefits she saw in speaking at a council meeting to explain the proposed event they were attending and what the individual would get out of attending the event.

After reading the amended scholarship/campship application created by Kay Hibler it was suggested:

- That 4-H members step out of the room, during a council meeting after presenting while council members discuss what funds are available to give the 4-Hers for their intended use.
- A line was added on the application form to inform members of their obligation to submit a poster or presentation during Fair the year they receive the scholarship funds.
- That a time-line be established to inform 4-H members their applications need to be submitted at least 30 days in advance the event they are attending and prior to the council meeting which will occur the month before their event.
- A note to be added to the application that states, 4-H members can continue the list of the projects they are in on the back of the application form.
- Change the wording from disapproved to denied on the form.

Kay Hibler will make the changes and e-mail the edited form to council members for approval.

Harriet Norwood has applied for a \$25,000 Humanitarian Award requiring a 300 word essay describing her years as a non-paid volunteer in the community. Congratulations on taking on the challenge in writing the essay and hopefully being recognized for your years of service. Your 4-H friends appreciate all you have done.

Elections for council positions will take place at the September meeting.

There is no longer a 4-H Llama project exhibiting at Fair.

Claire Watson moved to adjourn the meeting.

Corrina Coan seconded it.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 P.M.