

Marshall County 4-H Council
Secretary's Report
May 4, 2023
Tonja Lemler, Council Secretary

Call to Order, Abby Ennis, Council President

OFFICER REPORTS

- Secretary's Report-Tonja Lemler
- Barb Penrod made a motion that we accept a couple of amendments that need to be made to the April Council Minutes. (See page 5 of the April Minutes) Those Amendments are:
 - 1) The Shooting Sports guns and ammo need to be inventoried and stored separately. Josh Winrote stated at the April meeting that he would show the office staff what to do.
 - 2) There needs to be a specific Shooting Sports report sent to Purdue every year.
 - Seconded by Mindi Williams
 - Motion passed
- Barb Penrod made a motion that an Amendment be made to the above Amendment:
 - 1) According to Patti Kitch, Shooting Sports is the only group that hasn't turned in an Audit Report this year.
 - Seconded by Jodi Vermillion
 - Motion passed
- Motion to approve the April Council minutes with the above amendments: Barb Penrod
- Seconded by: Teri Zechial
- Motion Passed
- Treasurer's Report-Patti Kitch, Council Treasurer
 - 1) It is time to finish up payments on all trophies and banners!
 - 2) If you know of a Livestock Superintendent that needs to turn in their trophy/banner information, please let them know they need to do this ASAP! Patti and Barb would like to have all of the trophies/banners orders and accounts settled before May 20th! This will give the trophy/banner companies the ability to get them completed on time.
 - Motion to approve: Barb Penrod
 - Seconded by: Regina Jones
 - Motion Passed

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Tracy Houin mentioned that she needs a tentative schedule from Council and the Extension Office. They need to decide who is doing what during the Blueberry Festival.
 - 1) We can have a table/booth there, the dog club can do a demonstration, there is room for even a small pony to be brought in for rides, projects can be displayed, townships can do different demonstrations, etc..
 - 2) We are welcome to choose our times on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, or Monday of the Festival.

COMMITTEE AND GROUP REPORTS

- Junior Leaders
 - 1) Met at the Bread of Life Food Pantry in Plymouth on April 17. Those attending were able to help assist families choose their supplies, stock shelves, clean, and help in various parts of the process.
 - 2) Their next meeting will be on Sunday, May 21, at 6pm, at The Gallery on West. Travis Barnhart has secured a YES grant to create 150 Birthday supply kits to be donated to each of the Food Pantries in Marshall County. The group will be working on putting these boxes together. Leader Stacy Robinson will be providing pizza for those attending.

- Fair Board
 - 1) Ron and Patty Rensbarger will be doing parking
 - 2) Josh Schafer will be doing manure hauling

- Blueberry Breakfast Committee
 - 1) Met at 6pm before the Council meeting
 - 2) Formed several sub-committees
 - 3) Were able to get a lot of things decided and organized.
 - 4) Things are coming along.

OLD BUSINESS

- Flower Pick-Up-8AM
 - 1) Wednesday, May 10: Fairgrounds: Center, Green, Polk, Tippy, Walnut
 - 2) Thursday, May 11: Sandy Amor's: Union and West
 - 3) Friday, May 12: Bates Corp: Bourbon, German, North
 - 4) Plan to be there at least 30 min early, as the semi is sometimes EARLY!!

- Super Tag-In: Saturday, May 6th

- 1) Swine is 6:30am-11am and all others 8am-11am.
 - 2) Amy Grove stated that as far as she knows, most, if not all, of the Superintendents have their packets.
 - 3) There was concern over our not having someone from the Extension Office at Super-Tag In. There are already some known complications that will need to be dealt with by someone from the Extension Office on Saturday.
 - 4) It was asked if Michelle would be able to check with the other office employees or see if someone from Purdue would be able to be there in her place.
- Poultry Superintendent
 - 1) We've not had any responses to potential Poultry Superintendents. For this reason, Lisa Bemish and Abby Ennis have agreed to take it on~for this year.
 - 2) They've spoken to Tim Lemler to get an idea of what needs to be done.
 - 3) They are planning a meeting for June 13, at 6pm, at The Gallery on West.
 - 4) Information will be sent out soon
 - Grant
 - 1) After many conversations with Eli Lilly, it has been discovered that we are not eligible for this grant.
 - 2) To be eligible, we could not be linked to any higher institution of learning. All of Indiana 4-H is linked to Purdue University. Eli Lilly didn't realize how 4-H works and that it was linked to Purdue.
 - 3) Still looking to do something, but will need to be submitted as a separate request.
 - 4) We have been asked to go ahead and move this "Possibilities" program forward.
 - 5) There is still some hope for something to come of this.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ambassador Program Forms
 - 1) All applications need to be turned in by June 15
 - 2) Different options for awards were discussed.
 - Nicole Cox made a motion that the Ambassador winners receive \$50 checks and a shirt from Council.
 - Seconded by Mindi Williams
 - Motion passed
- Senior Signs/Bios
 - 1) All of this information needs to be sent to the Extension Office by May 15th.
- May 15th is a HARD deadline for:
 - 1) Add/drop projects
 - 2) ID all animals in 4-H online(excluding cars, dogs, and poultry)
 - 3) ALL livestock forms need to be turned into the office.
- Fair week volunteer sign-up

- 1) Abby made new schedules for Exhibit Building workers, Corn Booth workers, and Kidde Game Day workers. These were handed out to Council members tonight.
 - 2) Council members and leaders were asked if they would be able to help out each night by taking down full trash bags, putting a new trash bag on, and then placing the full trash bag in the center aisle. If you see one during the day and switch it, please notify Helen in the Fair Office and she will get someone to pick it up. It was suggested that each species barn take care of their own trash. This has apparently been tried before to no success.
- Fair Parking Passes
 - 1) \$7 a day or \$20 for the week
 - 2) This is the first time in many years that there has been a price increase.

EDUCATOR'S COMMENTS

- Michelle has been able to host two Indiana Quality Livestock (YQCA) training meetings in the office.
 - 1) There are, as of right now, two more chances to attend an in-person meeting:
 - May 18-at Gallery on West, at 6:30, for Dairy Club members only.
 - June 15-at The Gallery on West, at 5pm. April Leeper will be teaching this meeting.
 - 2) Online is still always an option
 - 3) It was asked if there was a way that Leader and Livestock Superintendents would be able to verify who in their group/species has been able to take or attend a class?
 - 4) Someone asked if Michelle and/or the office staff would be able to send out an email to those who need this information.
 - 5) Michelle said that all in-person members receive an official verification certificate from her before leaving. If they've taken it online, they must print off the certificate for verification.
- Camp Amigo
 - 1) Camp is June 5th-9th this year
 - 2) This is for grades 3-6
 - 3) Sign up deadline is: May 15
 - 4) Transportation has been worked out with Triton High School.
 - 5) They still need volunteers to help, especially male workers. It was suggested that college kids, especially those who have done 4-H, be asked if they'd be interested in volunteering to help.
- The following (Round up and Academy), Lindsay will need to be notified first if they are wanting to attend so that she can start the process in 4-H online, the family will then finish up on their own.

- 1) Round up signup is by June 1
 - June 26-28th
 - This is for grades 7-9
 - 2) Academy signup is by May 15 for a reduced price
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 - This is for grades 10-12
- May 15 Deadline
 - 1) This is a hard deadline for:
 - Drop or Add projects
 - Animal Entry
 - 2) It was asked if the office staff would be willing to open up the office for hours later into the evening a night or two for those families who work full time and cannot get into the office for help. Michelle said she thinks that would be okay and is planning to talk to the other office staff workers for verification.
 - This date/dates would need to be made public as soon as possible for those who need it.
 - Fair Entry
 - 1) July 1
 - 2) This is another hard deadline
 - 3) It was asked if the office staff would, again, be willing to open up the office for some evening hours a night or two for those families who work full time and cannot get into the office for help. Council asked if Michelle would be able to bring back a date/s to us at the June 1st Council meeting of when they would be able to do this. Preferable a date/s are the week of June 26-30, which is the week before the July 1 deadline.
 - 4) The date/s would then be made public as soon as possible for those who need it.
 - Enrollment This Year: 4-H: 429
 - Mini: 117 **TOTAL: 546**
 - Adults: 161
 - Enrollment Last Year: 4-H: 434
 - Mini: 112 **TOTAL: 546**

Adults: 186

ADJOURNMENT 7:56pm

Name	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Terri Barnhart-Bourbon	x	x	x	x								
Patti Kitch-Bourbon	x	x	x	x	x							
Jodie Vermillion-Bourbon	x	x	x	x	x							
Tami Langfeldtl-Center												
Morry Riddle-Center	x	x	x	x								
Theresa Kline-German	x	x	x	x	x							
-German												
Abby Ennis-Green	x	x	x	x	x							
-Green												
Brooke Kitch-Jr. Leaders												
Travis Barnhart-Jr. Leaders												
Regina Jones-North		x	x		x							
-North												
Nicole Cox-Polk	x	x	x	x	x							
Jeanie Stidams-Polk		x	x	x	x							
Tonja Lemler-Tippecanoe	x	x	x	x	x							
Mindi Williams-Tippecanoe	x	x	x		x							
Barb Penrod-Union	x	x	x	x	x							
Michael Skiles-Union		x										
Dawn Middaugh-Walnut	x	x	x	x	x							
Helen Schmidt-Walnut	x	x	x	x	x							
Tracy Houin-West	x	x		x	x							
Teri Zechiel-West		x	x		x							

Extension Office Representative-Michelle Gordon-Releford	x	x	x	x	x							
Angel Balsley-Fairboard	x	x	x									
Amy Grove-Fairboard			x	x	x							
Kate Hayden-Honorary West		x	x	x								