Monterey County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes

Date: April 17, 2018
Location: Salinas Ag Offices
Time: Called to order at 7:07pm by Kelly Violini. Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H pledge led by Kelly Violini.

Roll Call:
President: Tim Lewis (KCBR)(absent)
1st Vice President: Kelly Violini (Hilltown)
2nd Vice President: Gidget Guidotti (Mission)
Treasurer: Diane Vorwerck (San Benancio)
Secretary: Hana Ferguson (Buena Vista)
Staff: Lorin Lurz, Darlene Ruiz

Club Representatives and guests
Aromas: Jacque Palmer, Kindel Scrimsher
Buena Vista: Travis Tanaka
Chualar: Natalie Eubanks, Angie Horwath, Dena Jenkinson, Kinglsey McMahon, Tiffany McMahon, Sierra Sala
Gonzales: Christina Kaupp, Macy Kaupp
Greenfield: Luz Maria Arqueta
Hilltown: Grant Creme, Rhonda Hurtado
King City Blue Ribbon: absent
King City Rural: Carla Ackerman, Marti Ackerman
Lockwood: Cody Hancock, Morgan Hancock, Misty Hancock, Megan Weferling, Staci Wilkins
Mission: Garrett Guidotti
Natividad: Janet Wohlgemuth
Royal Oak: JoAnn Etchison, Sheryl Jones, Elsie
San Benancio: Jenell Burk, Patty Busch, Rose Evers, Lindy Lafferty, Jamie Pavek, Luke Vorwerck
Spring: Courtney Boyles
All Star/CTA: Mari Horwath (Chualar), Alyssa Hurtado (Hilltown),

Additions/Corrections to Agenda:
None.

Secretary’s Report: Hana Ferguson
There was a motion to approve the February meeting minutes (March meeting was cancelled due to weather). Vote and motion passed.
1st: Courtney Boyles
2nd: Jacque Palmer

Early Committee Report:
**Fashion Revue** (Buena Vista): Stacy Milanesa explained the event’s categories, activities, and eligibility to compete at State Field Day. County Fashion Revue will take place from 1-4 on April 28th at the Salinas Ag Offices and will be a tribute to Mary Violini.

**President’s Report:** Kelly Violini (for Tim)
The council is looking for volunteers to put together the outreach booth at SVF. Set up day will be Monday of the fair week. (However, next the Alumni committee will create.) Treasurer Diane Vorwerck is looking for input on next year’s budget which will be voted in at the June meeting.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Diane Vorwerck
Beginning balance: $40,552.11
Total Income: $2,700.02
Total expenses: $629.28
Ending Available Balance: $42,622.85
Morgan Stanley: $55,731.53
Pacific Valley Bank: $54,432.96
CD Total: $110,164.49
Combined total: $152,787.34

**Youth Reports/Club Sharing:**
Natalie Eubanks of Chualar advertised her club’s annual tri tip fundraising lunch on April 26. Kindel Scrimsher talked about “Aromas Day” that features a garden tour her club takes part in as a fundraiser.

**Youth Council:** Mari Horwath talked about the youth council constructing a 4-H photo yearbook that will be available for purchase and distributed at Achievement Night. She encouraged CCLs to reach out to their club reporters/historians for yearbook page construction.

**LWF Delegation Report:** Sierra Sala and Mari Horwath.
Sierra and Mari talked about a letter writing campaign and handed out samples of brochures they made profiling all of the delegates. They are getting ready for their big trip to DC in July.

**All Star/CTA Report:**
Alyssa Hurtado and Mari Horwath have completed their body of work as part of their year. They talked about a fun team building exercise in an “escape room.” They will take part on an exit interview to be awarded a star.
To follow the All Stars and CTAs on Instagram visit
@montereycounty4h
@monterey_county_ctas

**Fundraising Committee:** Kelly Violini
The Monterey County Fair food booth will take a different approach. The committee will consist of volunteers from the Fundraising committee and more. Every club will still have a required role and shift. Kelly encouraged the same volunteer from each club to attend all upcoming Leader’s Council food booth trainings.
Committee Reports:
**I&R (Hilltown):** Grant encouraged members to participate in an Emerald Star project. Two members have applied to create an outreach booth. This season is closed. The time to complete an Emerald Star project will run between July 2018 to April/May 2019. Kelly Violini encouraged members to apply for a heritage animal scholarship at MCF.

**County Presentation Night Wrap-Up:**
- Gonzales: Christina Kaupp talked about using online enrollment as part of the Presentation night registration – worked great! for the first time; explaining that is was a learning curve but had positive end results. The committee will continue to work in clarifying the rules.
- Lockwood: Staci Wilkins also enjoyed using the online enrollment process for judges. The evening had no significant issues.

**Color Me Green Run Wrap-Up (Hilltown):** Grant Cremers was excited to see outside interest participating in the run this year, and hoped for a bigger turn out next year. He reported net earnings of ~$7,100. This club share the committee with the Fundraising Committee.

**Camp Program Report:** Gidget Guidotti reported that girls campers have reached capacity, and that there are ten slots left for boy campers. Camp can only offer 50 and 50 members of each gender. She encouraged individuals and clubs to donate to the camp program to offset costs that are not part of registration fees. The camp directors attended a state spring camp conference for training, new ideas and for requirements.

**Calendar:** Presented as current.

**Staff Reports:** Lorin Lurz, Darlene Ruiz
Darlene shared her experiences on attending a 4-H leadership conference in Oregon along with a representative from Kern county, visiting Color Me Green Run for outreach, and attending a club meeting in Lockwood.
Lorin explained that this is the time of year for record book required clubs to clarify requirements to its members. Outreach will be an important focus in the next 4-H year. Lorin encouraged clubs to design and purchase outreach pamphlets, fliers, and reminded everyone of a poster printer available at the county offices.
Clubs should be ready for nomination and election of new officers for the year. Training occurs on July. For clubs that have CL terms limits in the bylaws, now is the time for new CLs to step forward for the approval process.
All clubs should set aside money for scholarship for SLC, Cal Focus or camp.
She spent time talking about “appropriate budget expenditures and handed out a list

**Unfinished Business:**
None.

**New Business:**
Positions for Secretary, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President are open for the 2018/2019 year. Rhonda Hurtado nominated Hana Ferguson for 2nd VP, Hana accepted. Nominations are open until the June meeting.
Kelly Violini introduced the county committee selection, committee binders, and explained how the selection process would work. Clubs were free to keep a previous committee, or pick a new
committee. Numbers would be drawn out of a hat, and clubs would pick in numerical order. Once clubs picked their first committee, clubs of appropriate member size would pick their second option in reverse numerical order. There was a brief opportunity at the end to offer to “trade” with other clubs, but members present were happy with their selection. KCBR absent for selection. A roster will be available after the meeting. The council president will send correspondence to each club about their committee. The Vice president will remind clubs throughout the year.

Adjournment:
The meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm by Kelly Violini.
1st: Dena Jenkinson
2nd: Carla Ackerman

Next Meeting:
June 19, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Salinas Ag Offices.

Submitted by Hana Ferguson of Buena Vista 4-H