

MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: March 19, 2019

LOCATION: Salinas Valley Fair

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00P by Tim Lewis. Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge led by Tim Lewis

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Addition- add a thank you recognition under past meeting minutes; officers and fundraising under President's report

Corrections- delete SVF outreach from President's report; Hana Ferguson will give the Camp report; TJ Plew to give a fair update for SVF

ROLL CALL

President: Tim Lewis (KCBR)
1st Vice President: Hana Ferguson (Buena Vista)
2nd Vice President: Dena Jenkinson (Chualar)
Treasurer: Gidget Guidotti (Mission)- absent
Secretary: Travis Tanaka (Buena Vista)
Program Staff: Lorin Lurz- absent

CLUB REPRESENTATIVES AND GUESTS

Aromas: none

Buena Vista: Travis Tanaka, Mackenzie Keslin

Carmel Valley: Scott Quilty

Chualar: Angie Horwath, Sierra Sala, Dirk Giannini, Maddison Mullins

Gonzales: Celeste Daniel

Greenfield: Luzmaria Arguenta, Elizabeth Hernandez, Abraham Arguenta

Hilltown: Kelli Martignoni, Alyssa Hurtado

King City Blue Ribbon: Jesse Ledesma

King City Rural: Carla Mulanie-Ackerman, Marti Ackerman, Sherie Hinkle

Lockwood: Misty Hancock

Mission: none

Natividad: Janet Wohlgemuth

Royal Oaks: none

San Benancio: Diane Vorwerck

Spring: Kelly Violini, Nicole Hostert

Other guests: Rhonda Hurtado

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

Kelly Violini- correction to minutes under Fundraising Committee regarding Springfest BBQ. Correction was that SpringFest and SpringFest BBQ was held at MC, not provided by MCF.

Dirk Giannini requested that the motion to table the Food Booth should reflect the lack of adequate notice to the Clubs that someone needed to volunteer that night. Tim responded that the month before it was requested that someone needed to step up. Motion to table the Food Booth was reflected by the Council. Tabled items can be un-tabled in the future; requires a motion, second, and a vote. If no one comes forward to un-table, it will stay tabled indefinitely.

Motion to accept Feb meeting minutes with corrections made by Kelly Martignoni (Hilltown) Second by Scott Quilty (Carmel Valley) No Discussion. Motion passed unanimously

Janet Wohlgemuth- Read and acknowledged a thank you received from Family and Children's Services and Monterey County Social Services for the pillow case bags made during the 2018 Fashion Review community service activity. Over 150 bags were delivered, and all were distributed. Tim stated he was happy to hear about this type of service and asked if it was a one time or annual community service. Janet responded that there are over 750 youth in foster care, and this is a continual need. This would be a good service project for clubs; they are easy to make.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Gidget Guidotti)

No report due to absence of Treasurer. Following totals from Club packets:

Tim stated that he did not know that Diane Vorwerck would be available to guide the pre-meeting budget session. Tim will take this up later in the meeting.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Kelly Violini- provided copies of the correspondence between MCF and the Council Exec Board regarding the Food Booth. These copies included the email from Alyssa Wygal (MCF) to Council, Fundraising Committee to Council Exec Board, Exec Board response to Alyssa Wygal, response from Alyssa Wygal to Council Exec Board, question from VP Jenkinson to the Fundraising Committee (FC), response to VP Jenkinson, and the Clover Café summary and call to action. Kelly reiterated that Executive Council correspondence regarding items of importance or pertaining to the agenda should be made available to Clubs. During special meetings (budget) minutes should be taken.

Rhonda Hurtado- Also voiced support for taking minutes for special meetings that occur prior to the general meeting. FC had multiple meetings prior to the general meeting. Took offense to Tim's comments regarding the FC not giving notice that they wouldn't continue; they said it multiple times.

Color Me Green Run Sponsorships- Carla reported that CMG was a success. Many people from the community participated and came out in support of the event. Sponsorship donations total was 6,750. Overall profit was 11099.55. There were 70 paid runners, up from last year; wide range of runners

SpringFest/ BBQ- Kelly V. first asked who went to SpringFest (SF) and added that SF added a lot to the day for CMG. Carla added that people from nearby hotels came to SF. Carla further added that this fundraiser has a lot of potential. Greenfield, Chualar, Spring, KCR sold all their BBQ tickets and received a donation from Council of \$110. Greenfield 4-H was recognized for having 34 runners.

Kelly recognized KCR for their time and effort setting up Friday and working all day Saturday. Kelly also recognized Spring 4-H for making the dye for the run.

Diane V. commented that SpringFest was awesome, but wished more Clubs participated. Diane suggested that SpringFest occur again next year, but with more participation.

Angie H.- What was the total profit? Rhonda H.- Total income was almost 13,000 with 3,000 in expenses. Numbers are not final. Still must account for items purchased with the SF cash card. Also need to account for \$440 donation to the four clubs that sold their BBQ tickets. If every Club sold their tickets, Council would have made \$4,200 profit on lunch sales. If this occurs again next year, more Clubs need to participate. One event, organized by three people with support two clubs, went far.

Carla- cash card perfect for this type of event, however it creates accounting issues. Tim publicly thanked the Fundraising Committee for their effort on SpringFest.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Tim Lewis)

Budget 2019/20. Tim spoke about the Exec Boards examination of the budget and determined what line items to decrease due to the loss of the Food Booth and the discussion on ideas to replace the Food Booth. Budget meeting was supposed to start at 6:30 but thought that meeting would be postponed due to Treasurer absence. There will be a budget meeting prior to the April Council meeting; attend that

meeting to make changes. Minutes will be taken for documentation. Budget ideas can be emailed to County. Draft budget distributed 30 days prior to the vote in meeting. Club representatives can ask for changes prior to the vote. Budget meetings are held prior to the regular meeting as to not bog down the process. April budget meeting to start at 6:00P.

Change in April Council meeting time- April Council meeting to start at 6:30P. Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty asked to give a presentation to Council. Lynn asked for a light agenda. April is also when committees are chosen. This is the start of the two-year cycle; every Club draws and starts over. The plan is do committee selection first and then give the floor to Lynn. Tim requested that every Club make their best attempt to attend. Information given by Lynn will impact the entire 4-H program.

2019/20 Council Committee- Proposed committee selection went out on Friday (March 15) The Exec Board had to add three committees due to addition of Carmel Valley and the deduction of Food Booth committees. The three ideas are Parli Pro, STEM, and Interview Contest. Tim asked everyone to submit comments via writing or email to County.

Officer nominations, Fundraising Committee- There are two executive positions available- President and Treasurer. Vote will occur in June with officers starting July 1. Tim asked everyone to get and network, get interested people to the table to benefit 4-H. Members for the Fundraising Committee are wanted. Let people know that running the Food Booth has been tabled, but Council is looking to create something for the future. Existing committee members want and need help. Exec Board put in place the due date of 12/31/19 to have a replacement fundraiser idea or option in place. The idea/option must be viable, something that can be done every year.

Take the time to find candidates. When elections come, either nominate yourself or have someone to nominate.

YOUTH REPORTS/ CLUB SHARING

Club Youth representative report- Mackenzie Keslin (Buena Vista)- Mackenzie provided an update to Council on her attendance to Youth Summit (YS) (Sanger), January 25-27 at Wonder Valley. Mackenzie attended sessions on civic engagement, presence of mind- meaning to remain calm while making quick actions. Youth also had a session illustrating the importance of getting away from electronic devices and to meet other participants by shaking hands and talking.

Club sharing: *Has your club held all its fundraisers for the year? Did your club make its fundraising goal?*

KCBR- Only fundraiser is a BBQ but have not received tickets to distribute. BBQ is April 22.

Lockwood- See's Candy, Little Caesar's, and a BBQ. Misty thanked Council for helping Lockwood meet their goal for Little Caesars. Lockwood's BBQ is April 13 and tickets are available.

Greenfield- takes place in July

Chualar- Had an officer driven fundraiser that did not occur, dessert auction fundraiser was successful and exceeded their goal

Natividad- was offered the junior rodeo food booth. Last year's profit was about \$2,000 for a one-day event

San Benancio- Pancake breakfast with farmers market, mistletoe sale during the holidays.

KCR- Pumpkin sales and the food booth at Springfest. KCR was excited for the Springfest opportunity.

Gonzales- Tri-tip dinner. Usually dinner is done in the fall. All tickets were sold, left over tri-tips were sold.

Spring- Pancake breakfast and exceeded the goal for that fundraiser. Sausage BBQ at Rabbit/Poultry Info day. Last year was a sell out and expecting the same this year.

Hilltown- Had their pancake breakfast and did very well.

Carmel Valley- Has a food booth arraigned during the western bonanza. CV was also gifted \$1000 from the Carmel Valley Kiwanis.

Buena Vista- Had a coffee sale fundraiser and sponsored community service fundraiser. Both were successful.

YOUTH COUNCIL (YC) REPORT

Marti Ackerman (KCR), Sierra Sala (Chualar)- Marti and Sierra provided an update regarding the paint wars at SpringFest. Marti stated that the event went well and 10 members along with YC members participated. Marti and Sierra thanked the Fundraising Committee for their hard work, support, and including YC in Springfest.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: *led by 1st Vice President Hana Ferguson: every club should have a binder to record info. Council meeting reports must have date, time, location. Comments to Hana after event complete to reduce "critiques" at the council meeting. She will be reaching out to each club who has an upcoming event.*

Binders and receipts reminder-please return by the April meeting. Turn in all receipts.

Presentation Night (Gonzales)- The afterschool program caused a change in the Presentation night schedule. There are plans to avoid the same situation. Gonzales has a several new volunteers, but the experienced volunteer chair agreed to help again next year for continuity. Working on getting use of the kitchen for next event. La Gloria has a new food service director and the school wanted the director to provide kitchen service. There is possibility of renting the kitchen space next event

Presentation Night, Tabulations (Lockwood)- Misty reported that tabulations went smoothly. Were a couple of issues that were corrected; one issue being handled at County level. Had overages for room monitors; all rooms were covered.

Incentives and Recognition (KCBR)- Dena is working with Natalia for ideas for new awards. 1. Presentation recognition: member must give their presentation at Presentation night and four more times; 2. Top teen and junior teen leader 3. Record Book incentive to turn in at County

The teen/ junior teen leader award would be a yellow shield that would go behind the teen/junior teen patch.

The Record Book incentive could be based on leadership, citizenship, STEM, etc. Dena noted that Monterey County record books would do very well at the State level competition, and this is incentive to get into the county contest.

County Leaders Council Sr. Scholarship Review- Dena stated that the Scholarship is done, rubric is awaiting approval. Should be up on the County page April 1. Applications due May 1. There are 7 scholarships available.

Expansion and Review (KCR)- No report

Fashion Review (Hilltown)- Alyssa Hurtado reported that FR is April 13, doors open at 1P. Interviews will begin shortly after. Clubs encouraged to participate, no sewing experience required. There are several challenges with opportunities to go to State, get pins, and record book credit. The community service activity is making laundry bags. Judges are needed- contact Alyssa or Alex. On March 19, there was a thrift shopping opportunity. The next thrift shopping trip is March 23 at the Salinas Goodwill.

Color Me Green Run (Spring)- Most detail covered under Fundraising Committee report. Nicole added that it was a good runner turnout and SpringFest was a good addition.

Alumni (Natividad) Janet showed off items made with 4-H fabric purchased at JOANNs. Janet provided examples of a curtain and a two-sided table runner. These will be used in the Alumni booth.

CAMP MCANDLESS REPORT (Hana)

Hana reported that Camp has a great group of teen counselors. About 1/3 will graduate this year. Seniors will mentor and serve as role models for younger counselors.

There will be a camp open house at 6:00P, Monday 25th at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Come meet the counselors, chaperones, and camp staff.

Camp applications going online soon.

FAIRS UPDATE:

Salinas Valley Fair- (TJ Plew-Executive Director SVF)-

Poultry Show-SVF has a working Board; decisions regarding livestock shows are done by committee. It takes time to get the Committee to be on the same page regarding issues such as virulent Newcastle disease. Committee made decision in February to continue with the poultry show and will reevaluate. Fair is instructing people to hold off on entering and will refund fees if the show is cancelled. Cancelling poultry show would have wide ramifications and impacts; SVF is trying to balance opportunity and animal safety. SVF is not processing checks from Clubs that are sponsoring poultry show awards. Late entries not accepted if the poultry show is a go.

Orradre Building Closure- Will close early on Thursday (5:00P) for wine tasting and Sunday (5:00) for early pick-up of exhibits. Early pick-up will be 6-8:00P.

Premium payments- premiums under \$20 for individuals will be paid in cash. Only the Club Leader can pick-up between Monday (May 20) -June 3. Larger payouts and premiums over \$20 will be paid as a check. Non-4-H exhibits, exhibitor must pick up their own premium.

Home Arts Dept- Home arts is looking for craft demonstrators Fri, Sat, Sun. No fee to demonstrators that want to see their items. Home Arts will work with exhibitor to make sure all required permits are complete.

Sportsmanship reminder- Last year there was an issue with sportsmanship during livestock judging. Please remember to maintain a positive attitude and to practice good sportsmanship, regardless of the outcome. If you saw something of concern, notify the livestock office.

Janet- What is the fair going to do about the rabbit show? Senior Showmanship runs long. Last year we didn't end till midnight. TJ Response- Call Karla and TJ will follow-up. Karla wants a great show, if we offer solutions, Karla is one to implement. What do we need, more judges?

Janet- Start senior division sooner or have more judges.

Kelli M.- Members that can't make showmanship due to AP exams, who do they talk to? TJ response- Write a letter to John Orradre, livestock chair.

San Benito- (Dena Jenkinson). Pre-tagging animals is mandatory. If tagging info and photos are not submitted by the due date, the animal will not be eligible to show. Beef weigh-in is June 3. Goats, sheep, and swine – leader must pick up ear tags on July 17 with info due back August 2. Fair will not accept tag info from the individual exhibitor; leader must deliver all tag info. All market and livestock entries must be done online.

Aug 6-Sept 6- Online entries open August 6 and close Sept 5. Walk-ins and corrections close Sept 6.

Pre-fair kick off dinner is October 1. Times are published in the guide book.

Fair is October 3-6.

STAFF REPORTS (Lorin Hofmann-Lurz and Darlene Ruiz) No report. ~~Staff report in club packets.~~

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Items covered in President's Report- Officer nominations open in April and will close in June.

Committee choices- draft went out in email, questions and comments- please return to County

Budget review- 6:00P before next meeting. Minutes will be taken

ADJOURN at 8:19P

Motion to adjourn made by Dirk Giannini (Chualar), seconded by Carla Mulanie-Ackerman (KCR)

No discussion. Passed Unanimously

Next Council Meeting- Tuesday, April 16, 2019. County Ag Office. 7:00P