

Monterey County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes

Date: March 15, 2016

Location: Monterey County Ag Office in Salinas

Time: Called to order at 7:07pm by Tim Lewis. Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H pledge led by Tim Lewis.

Roll Call:

President: Tim Lewis (Greenfield)

1st Vice President: Trina Hearne (King City Rural)

2nd Vice President: Kelly Violini (Spring)

Treasurer: Dana Guidotti (Mission)

Secretary: Hana Ferguson (Buena Vista)

Staff: Lorin Lurz, Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

Club Representatives and guests

Aromas: Jacque Palmer, Jim Palmer

Buena Vista: Grant Cremers

Chualar: Angie Horwath, Hollie Young

Greenfield: Daisy Hernandez, Valeria Uribe

Gonzales: Christina Kaupp, Macy Kaupp (youth)

Hilltown: Rhonda Hurtado

King City Blue Ribbon: Mary Hughes

King City Rural: Kristin Iverson

Lockwood: Rachel Wilkins (youth), Staci Wilkins

Mission: Claudia Guidotti, Garrett Guidotti (youth)

Natividad: Janet Wohlgemoth

Royal Oaks: none

San Benancio: Jennifer Wasson, Megan Wasson (youth)

Spring: Taylor Baldwin (youth), Maggie Roche (youth)

All Star/CTA: Alyssa Hurtado (Hilltown), Violet Lurz (Buena Vista)

Bret Wilkins (Lockwood)

Additions/Corrections to Agenda: None.

Secretary's Report:

There was a motion to approve the minutes for the January 2016 meeting. Vote and motion passed.

1st: Rhonda Hurtado

2nd: Claudia Guidotti

The secretary read thank you notes from Fiona McPherson, Julia Bell, and Thomas Allen Scettrini concerning LCORT. There was a motion to approve the minutes for the February 2016 meeting. Jacque Palmer made a correction noting that KCR hosted the poster judging contest for Fantastic Field Day, not Aromas. Vote and motion passed with the correction.

1st: Mary Hughes

2nd: Grant Cremers

Treasurer's Report: Dana Guidotti

Beginning Balance: \$22,062.61

Total Income: \$855.27

Total Expenses: \$131.51

Ending Available Balance: \$23,326.37

Pacific Valley Bank CD: 54,128.10

Morgan Stanley: \$55,661.16.

CD Total: \$109,789.26

Combined Total: \$133,115.63

Dana reminded everyone about upcoming budget planning sessions.

President's Report:

The President proposed an informational booth at the SVF to promote Monterey County 4-H Council and to recruit volunteers, new members, council members, and to promote fundraising opportunities. A sign-up sheet was passed around for those interested in helping.

Youth Reports/Club Sharing:

Alyssa Hurtado of Hilltown talked about the success of the tri tip BBQ at the Color Me Green Run. Taylor Baldwin of Spring promoted a sausage BBQ fundraiser at the Feed Trough during Poultry and Rabbit Information Day.

The additional club sharing, the president asked the clubs if their budget is the same from last year or if updates have been made. Some clubs moved their fundraisers and/or scholarships to separate accounts. Others set money aside for projects, or used their fundraisers to benefit other 4-H programs (such as the camp program). Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty reminded clubs not to give out their banking EIN number when sharing donation receipts. These are only used when opening a bank account.

All Star report All Star Bret Wilkins shared his experience of being the emcee for county Presentation Night, and reminded everyone about the upcoming regional presentation day that will be held at Spreckels Elementary. As part of his hosting duties, He thanked everyone for traveling to south-county by sharing interesting facts about the area. Everyone wished him luck on an upcoming State Ambassador interview at the state offices.

CTA Report: CTAs Alyssa and Violet shared the success of the Color Run by reporting that there were 30 runners with a profit of \$571.00 They also talked about a record book information session they hosted for KCBR Beginning 4-H members. Advisor Kelly Violini announced that applications for CTAs will be due April 19th. (Later moved to the 29th)

Committee Reports:

Incentives and Recognition (KCR): Trina explained to clubs how they will make their committee choices. Clubs will take ideas back to their clubs and review selections for the 2016/2017 year. New committees are a Leadership event (similar to mini conference) and Animal Field Day.

Staci Wilkins reported on the County Record Book judging committee. She referred to the County Record Book team that has been keeping up with record book updates and has held meetings. Staci Wilkins recommended that the record Book Team update the judging sheet for the county record book contest soon. She also mentioned the Outstanding Junior member award needed to be reviewed.

County Presentation Night Wrap-Up

(Gonzales): Christina Kaupp announced that the committee came in \$200 under budget and had 35 total presenters. The committee left Starbucks gift cards and thank you notes in the classrooms to thank the teachers for use of their classroom. She also thanked the room monitors and runners for a great job.

(Lockwood): Staci Wilkins emphasized that it is good to be prepared for last minute cancellations, and that the committee will need more quiet area volunteers for next year.

Sectional Presentation Day:

(KCBR): Mary Hughes announced that a location at Spreckels Elementary has been secured for April 15th, 2016

(Hilltown): Rhonda Hurtado expressed appreciation to Bret Wilkins for taking on a leadership role during Sectional Presentation Day. She reminded everyone that the judging ratio is 4:1.

Fashion Revue (Buena Vista): Will be held at the county ag office on April 23, the theme will be Sew-Down Hoedown. Grant Cremers explained the categories and that rules for the county level and state level are the same. Fashion Revue participants can participate at every event at the state level expect for share the fun skits due to scheduling conflicts.

Food Booth (Royal Oaks): Christina Kaupp announced that an application for the food booth at MCF has been submitted. (Joann was absent)

Calendar: The calendar was recognized as current and accurate.

Staff Reports: Lorin Lurz and Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

Program Representative Lorin passed out quarterly outreach reports for clubs to fill out as an exercise.

SLC will be held in Humboldt County this year, chaperones are needed. Choices include driving or taking a bus provided by the state.

All flyers, brochures, tee shirt art, etc. must be turned into the county for approval, flyers must have affirmative action statement.

Lorin talked more about the "Steps to Success" and asked clubs about their animal contracts for the fair and project rules as part of an exercise to understand the steps. Almost all clubs had some form of an animal contract. Attendance requirements for clubs, projects, and fairs was clarified by Lynn.

Youth Development Advisor, Lynn reminded everyone that the county offices will be closed Friday March 25 and the following Monday.

There is a part time tech position open for college students. Lynn is looking for clubs with clover bud members to try out new curriculum.

Unfinished Business:

The President reminded everyone that a fundraising committee has been formed and needs volunteers. This committee will oversee fundraisers such as the Food Booth, Color Me green

Run and Dippin Dots to assure they are being used to their full potential. There was discussion over alumni and what rolls they should fill.

New Business:

Officer Nominations are open for the positions of Treasurer, First Vice President, and Secretary Clubs will be making committee choices for next year at the next council meeting.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm.

1st:

2nd:

Next Meeting:

April 19, 2016 at 7:00pm in at the Salinas Ag Office.

Submitted by Hana Ferguson of Buena Vista 4-H