4-H Council October Meeting Minutes

The meeting of the Marion County 4-H Council was held on Sunday, October 10 at the Foods Building - Marion County Fairgrounds in Hillsboro. Face-to face attendance was optional and some council members joined via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Peters. The Pledges were recited and roll call was answered by 8 youth, 8 adults, and Extension Agents Tristen Cope and Rick Roberts. Roll call was taken by verbally responding to the question.

The May minutes were read by Secretary Karsen Kroupa. Minutes were approved as read with a motion to accept by Noah Schmidt and seconded by Ruby Shaver.

Communications: A THANK YOU communication was received from the 4H Foundation and a \$2500 donation was received from Mid-Kansas Cooperative.

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Olivia Carlson. The 4H Council March 1, 2021 balance was \$12,619.31. Income of \$ 4,575.66 was received, expenses of \$ 6,688.36 were incurred, which left the balance of \$ 10,506.43 on September 30, 2021. The financial report was approved with a motion to accept by Karsen and a second by Noah.

Committee Reports were presented as follows:

There were no committee reports presented; however, 4H Council members were asked to sign-up to serve on a committee for the upcoming 4-H year before leaving the meeting.

Unflinished (Old) business was discussed as follows:

No discussion of unfinished business was held.

New Business was discussed as follows:

The Achievement Night Banquet is scheduled for Monday November 8. Discussion followed regarding how this date was determined. Extension Agents reported that school calendars were consulted and club leaders were surveyed about this date. Concerns were presented that there are conflicts with this date, however it was also presented that finding dates that do not conflict with school, community, church, and family events is extremely difficult. The Kansas State High School Activities Association's "dead week" begins on November 8, which prohibits school-sponsored sports practices. "Dead Week" was also considered when picking this date. It was determined that the Achievement Night Banquet would not be changed and would take place on November 8. A taco bar will be provided and families will be asked to provide side dishes. Any clubs that have photos from the 4-H year are asked to submit them to the 4-H Office by November 1.

The 2021-2022 4-H Calendar was presented to the Council for approval. After a review of these dates, discussion was held regarding conflicting club meeting/council meeting dates. Karsen presented a motion to hold 4-H Council Meetings on the 3rd Sunday of the months that meetings will be held.. Noah Schmidt made an amendment to the original motion by adding 7:00 pm as a set time. Ruby made the motion to accept the following "4-H Council Meetings will be held on the 3rd Sunday at 7:00 p.m." Noah seconded and the amended motion was approved.

Ricky and Tristen reminded Council Members about the 4-H Enrollment process. This should be completed by December 1 and a coupon code for enrollment has been shared with club leaders and families.

Ricky and Tristen presented information regarding the Financial Review Process. This should be completed by November 1.

Officer Elections were held. The 2021-2022 4-H Council Officers will be:

- Ashley Peters, President
 - Daniel Rziha motioned to cast a unanimous vote for Ashley. Noah seconded. Motion Approved.
- Charlie Peters, President
 - Kimberly Kroupa motioned to cast a unanimous vote for Charlie. Noah seconded. Motion Approved.
- Karsen Kroupa, Secretary
 - Noah motioned to cast a unanimous vote for Karsen. Daniel seconded. Motion Approved.
- Noah Schmidt, Treasurer
 - Athena Funk and Ruby Shaver were nominated for this office as well. Karsen motioned that nominations cease. Daniel seconded. A vote among members was held.

As part of new business, Ricky presented a letter from Lindsey Buchman. Lindsey is a 10-year member of the Willowdale Club in Dickinson County, which is now part of the Chisholm Trail District. Lindsey has been selected as a Kansas Representative for National 4H Congress and is seeking donations to assist with the expenses of the trip. Daniel made a motion to donate \$300 to Lindsey; Karsen seconded. Discussion of the motion was held. Linda Peters made the motion to strike \$300 from the original motion. Discussion regarding the donated amount was held. Ruby then motioned to donate \$150. The motion now reading "It has been moved to donate \$150 to Lindsey Buchman to assist with National 4H Congress travel expenses" was seconded by Noah. Motion passed.

The next 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ruby and Karsen Kroupa seconded.

Minutes taken by: Karsen Kroupa