

**4-H Leaders Association Meeting**  
**April 6, 2009**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm by newly elected President Lynn Green. Treasurer's Report: There was no Treasurer's Report. Reading of the Minutes: Meeting minutes for February were read and approved.

**Ambassador Report:**

Kayla Winkelhake reported on the Mega Easter Egg event.

- Ambassadors stuffed eggs with candy.
- There will be a small and large animal petting zoo, Archery demonstrations, pony rides, and photos with the Easter Bunny and other characters will be available; confirmed by Mary Greisen.

Auction Committee: Dave Elkins reported that 14 beef were weighed in on February 14<sup>th</sup> with only 10 eligible. Youth Fair weigh-ins will start at noon.

- The next Auction Committee Meeting is Tuesday, 4/14/09 at 7:00 pm in the Rainier Fire Hall.

Horse Committee: Janice Gonzales reported on having difficulties finding a suitable location for the annual 4-H Poker Ride.

Records Committee: Woody Davis reported that spring record books are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, May 1st.

Youth Fair Committee: Woody reported on the new clinics available this year: "visit with the veterinarian" will have Dr. Fowler from Midway Vet Hospital. There will also be a poster making workshop, prize drawing for parents, and a BBQ Saturday evening.

Camp Committee: Woody reported that there was a great group of potential counselors and 8th grade camp staff. Registration forms will be included in the next newsletter and will be sent to schools in the next two weeks.

**Old Business:**

- Guilt Free Letter 2009: Woody explained the guilt free letter of a \$10 donation from a minimum of 160 leaders would total approximately \$1,600, the budget for the 4-H Leaders Association.
  - The letter cannot be sent to all 4-H members/parents (460 households) because of 4-H's Government status. The Extension Office will only charge the Leaders Association for the guilt free letter postage.
  - Mary made a motion to continue to send guilt free letter as is to leaders only and then revise letter for next year to send to all 4-H members/leaders/parents. Motion passed.
- Review of Premium Process: Woody explained how the past (since 1997) and present premium process was handled by the 4-H Extension Office.
  - He reported that his office will no longer be able to manage the premium process. The new state computer system cannot calculate points and the secretary's time does not mandate pay because the premium process is not an educational program.

- The \$6,000 County Fair budget pays for ribbons, showmanship banners, etc. Friends of Fair holds the funds raised by the annual car washes. Woody also mentioned that the State Fair discontinued premiums five years ago.
- Woody will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, 4/15/09 to discuss the future of Premiums.

**New Business:**

- Donation to National Camping Institute: Woody reported he uses what he learns from the institute to enhance our camp. Also, Oregon 4-H will be hosting the 2010 conference. Donation request was tabled until the next meeting.
- Other: Dave explained that there is a need for \$2,400 to pay for the rental on the large tent that is used to cover the beef, dairy, swine, and auction ring. In the past, four groups have donated \$600 to pay for the tent.

**Announcements:**

- Last New Leaders Training: The last training is Thursday, April 9th; 6-10 pm.
- Horse Make-up Exam: Make-up exam Tuesday, April 14th; 4-6 pm.
- Kayla announced the “Fools for Goats” Show.
- Hilltop Wranglers will be having a spaghetti dinner fund raiser on Sunday, April 26th; 4-8 pm,

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:33 pm by Lynn Green. Second by Dave.