

Linn County Horse 4H Leaders Meeting Minutes January 26 2012

Meeting called to order at 6:55 by president Donna Randall

Those in Attendance: Jessica Bishop-Creekside Wranglers, Melanie Mintken-Extension Rep, Evelyn Gourley, Donna Randall-Winds of Freedom Riders, Angela Burger-Rhinestone Riders, Lisa Atchison-Camo Wranglers, Cassie Turner-Middle Ridge Riders, Brooke McNamara, Emily Welborn-Making Strides, Katie Phillips-Lonestar Riders, Heather Yonker, Kota Hoffman-Bits N Pieces, Mariah Short, Sarah Sneed-Unbridled Spirits, Linda Kelly-Stardust Riders, Angie Ford-Diamondback Clovers, Nicole DeZurney-Blazing Saddles, Crystal Barnes, Eddy Barnes, Candace Barnes-Borrowing Freedom.

Minutes: November minutes did not get posted until the day of the meeting, so Jessica read them aloud in the meeting. Motion to approve as read made by Jessica, seconded by Linda, motion carried.

Agents report: Melanie- The VA blanket project was a great success and they would like to do it again next year. Enrollment deadlines, After January 31st, there is an extra \$5 per child or \$10 per family. Official Linn County 4H enrollment deadline in June 1st, however, clubs may close enrollment at any time.

Exec Council Report: Joy-Meeting was cancelled due to the flooding, rescheduled date is TBA.

Treasurer's Report: Heather S.-Donna reported on Heather's behalf, It was again asked if the \$75 will be charged this year, the answer is yes because it was already voted in in a previous meeting, and some people have already paid it. It would be too difficult to refund that money. The deadline for the fee is April 1st. A letter will be put together for people to pick up at the Extension Office detailing our need for sponsorships. This letter can be used when asking local businesses for a donation. The fee will again be voted on next year, budget talks will begin at the October meeting, 2012, so people wanting input are encouraged to attend.

The items that will be purchased this year are, updated timing equipment, wireless PA, working rancher/trail items, and jump items.

Clinics: Billie-Billie was not in attendance, but the Leaders would like her to set some dates where drivers will have use of the arena for half of the Free Wednesday Time. A reminder for clinic points, kids can audit any clinic horseless and receive clinic points. If they wish to game or jump at fair, they must attend a gaming and/or jumping clinic under saddle, with their horse. Jessica asked if Rachel send out a list of clinic points to date. Nikki is working on a clinic to get horses used to ropes. Kids are to bring their horses, but remain on the ground.

Spring Horse Classic: Shirley- Contact Shirley for more information. Shirley Dodsworth shirley.dodsworth@oregonstate.edu

New Business:

Equipment Trailer

- Need a quartermaster
- Need gear fixed/painted and to know what needs replaced
- It was decided to not put a sign on the side of the trailer
- Need to clean and lubricate the lock

Manuals-Heather L.

- Green Book-Volunteers are needed to work with Heather on updating the Green Book and making sure it aligns with the State Manual
- Leaders Guide-Same

Angela had a question as to children of divorced parents who live in two counties. Answer, kids may do 4H in either county, for example, can do horses in Linn, livestock in Benton, but cannot do horses in both counties. Contact OSU Extension Office if more clarification is needed.

Mariah asked if people are allowed to get major sponsorships, such as for more awards at fair. Answer, yes!

Dates:

March 10th County Wide Skills Day: Scio. Kids will have the opportunity to see other project areas. The horse group is asked to put together a clinic that is about 15 mins long and can be easily re done many times throughout the day and have an educational booth. This could also be a good fundraising opportunity.

March 10th: Councilor selection, OSU Extension Office, Albany

March 30-April 1: Leadership Conference

Next Leaders Meetings:

February 20th, Monday

March 19th, Monday

April 26

May 24

June 28

April 27-29: Spring Horse Classic, Baker City

TBA: Mandatory meeting

Nikki made a motion to adjourn, Cassy seconded, motion carried, meeting adjourned by president Donna at 7:55.

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Bishop