

Lewis & Clark 4-H Foundation
December 1, 2014
upstairs conference room/extension office

Peggy Bartmess	Dora Lindner	Cage Johnson
Valerie McNeil	Kimberly Lowery	Krista Lee Evans
Lisa DeWitt	Ken McNeil	Catherine McNeil
Alex Ostberg	Cody Mitchell	Jay Bodner
Janet Cerovski	Jim Ashmore	Teresa Brewer

Meeting was called to order at 5:33

Cody Mitchell asked for additions or corrections to the November 5, 2014 meeting. No additions or corrections were needed. Meeting minutes were passed as written.

Treasurers report: No report, approx \$65,000 in our account.

Cody Mitchell brought up discussion on the Investment Policy written up by John Bloomquist. After much discussion, an amended policy was agreed upon. Peggy will retype the policy and email to everyone. Krista Evans made a motion to approve the corrected investment policy. Lisa DeWitt 2nd. The motion passed unanimously.

Teresa Brewer spoke about how council is redoing their by-laws and the foundation needs to be part of this process so we know the proper channels persons should go through to request funds.

Jim Ashmore nominated Cage Johnson to be our 2nd 4-H youth member to the board. Seconded by Alex Ostberg. The motion passed unanimously.

Jay Bodner brought up the donation letter has been sent out, just under 200 of them, and we have approx \$2000.00 so far from them. Janet Cerovski said we have some unopened letters and that she sends out a thank-you letter to the people donating.

Alex Ostberg brought up the fundraising for this year. Our goal to make a minimum of 5 digits for the foundation. He spoke with other associations that fundraise a lot and they said instead of one item we should try to have five items. A boat, a 4-wheeler, raft, rifle, and a gun case that would cost approx \$33,600.00. If we sell 500 tickets at \$100.00 each, we could make \$50,000.00 for a profit of \$16,400.00. Krista Evans brought up we need to get donations for the prizes. Alex Ostberg brought up selling tickets at events such as shooting sports invitational, have a booth at fair with the prizes, and maybe at Murdoch's during their .25 cent hamburger 4-H day. Alex will follow up with the fundraising committee.

Dora Lindner brought up that she had spoke with Luke Doran with Montana Graphic Designs and he would be willing to help with advertising and he also has a band that could play at an event.

Kimberly Lowery brought up that we need to make it clear what our goal is with fundraising.

Ken McNeil brought up we should ask 4-H council for a wish list for the fundraising.

Committees are as follows:

Investment: Krista Evans, Jim Ashmore, and Jay Bodner

Scholarships: Kimberly Lowery, Peggy Bartmess, and Lisa DeWitt

Nomination: Cody Mitchell, Ken McNeil, and Cage Johnson

Budget: Alex Ostberg, Jim Ashmore, and Lisa Dewitt. Jim brought up need structure.

Fundraising: Alex Ostber, Valerie McNeil, Cage Johnson, Katherine McNeil, and Cody Mitchell. Cody Mitchell also said fundraising is everyone's responsibility, the primary purpose of the 4-H foundation is fundraising.

Krista Evans brought up The Farm Land movie and that she will follow up with Farm Bureau (they have the cd), and will see if they will help us put on a showing at the Myrna Loy. This would be a community outreach to show people and legislatures how and what farming is.

Alex Ostberg motioned that Krista Evans pursue the movie. Seconded by Lisa DeWitt. Unanimously passed. Jay Bodner said he would help Krista Evans with this pursuit.

Lisa DeWitt brought up we need to spend money on communication and outreach to the public. We need to try to attract more 4-Hers and educate the public.

Alex Ostberg brought up that the computer in the office is running on Quickbooks 2010 and does not communicate with the new version of Quickbooks. He contacted Intuit to find out what our options are and we can do a 30 day online trial, or buy the newest version for \$379.00. We may also need to look at a new computer as the office computer is running with XP. Janet Cerovski also said that council uses the same program and computer so, maybe they can pay for part of the equipment.

Krista moved that we move forward with getting and updated Quickbooks version not to exceed \$500.00 and have Alex Ostberg dicuss with council as they use the same computer and Quickbooks to share the cost. Seconded by Kimberly Lowery. Unanimouly passed.

Next meeting will be January 5, 2014 in one of the conference rooms at the 4-H extension office.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15.

Submitted by Peggy Bartmess, Secretary