

Johnson County 4-H Youth Development Committee
Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2008
7:00pm Johnson County Extension Office

Present: *Staff:* Dianna Colgan, Janet Martin *Fair Board:* Brett Wears, *Committee:* Elaine Boeding, Jeff Englert, Kathy Forbes, Alex Penno, Bonnie Penno, Jennifer Petett, Donna Wears, Alan Ziskovsky, Allie Ziskovsky.

Forbes called the meeting to order at 7:12pm due to poor road conditions. January minutes were reviewed, amended, and approved (Petett, Al Ziskovsky, Unan). The agenda for the minute was reviewed and approved (A. Penno, B.Penno, Unan).

Treasurer's Report: No changes, balance ending as last reported of: \$6,452.79.

YDC Refresher- Janet Martin:

The *Johnson 4-H Youth Development Committee Review* outline sheet was distributed and items were discussed. Emphasis was placed on all the many elements of support, and Johnson County has the most diverse programming in Iowa. Emphasis is being placed on a 3% growth with enrollment.

The following materials were also distributed and discussed: *Development Participation Policy, Johnson Co. 4-H Youth Development Program Committee, Program Governance, and Extension Council Member Data-2008.*

The *Working With Fair Boards-Process & Policies FAQ's* material will be deferred to March's meeting.

Election of Officers:

The following names were proposed and unanimously elected:

President: Kathy Forbes **Vice President: Jeff Englert**

Secretary: Kara Logsden **Extension Counsel Representative:** Rotating YDC members on a monthly basis. February 19th: Al Ziskovsky. This replaces representation on the Fair Board.

Old Business:

Workshop Planning: Some of the areas of interest: Genealogy, Design, Nutrition, and Clothing. Next meeting will be March 6, 2008, at 6:00pm, prior to the YDC meeting. Notice will be sent to Youth Council and Club Leaders.

New Members Night: 75 new members in data base and 53 were present. Youth Council did an excellent job in planning and running various instructional sessions for those in attendance.

Leader Training: Very good attendance on Thursday, January 31st for the 2nd training modular. Next session will be Tuesday, April 8th with the 1st modular held from 7:00-8:00pm, and the 2nd modular from 5:30-6:30pm for those that missed the previous training sessions.

CWF: Five Youth are going to Washington DC, very valuable experience.

Code of Ethics: Discussion on content and timing of distribution. Janet Martin will review and have input from YC and Club Leaders prior to the next YDC meeting.

Shooting Sports: Greg Brenneman and Mike Cooper are deciding if they will be the trainers for this project area.

Legislative day: Six youth and an adult from the East Lucas Clovers and Sharon Center Sensations Clubs will be attending on March 26th.

Award's Night: E.Boeding shared ideas and materials from Lee Country's Award Night. Discussion followed. Copies of these materials will be distributed to the Youth Council for their input and then discussion will continue with the YDC including: location, sponsorship for the event (pizza and pop), what motivates members to attend awards events, and logistics of set up and clean up.

New Business:

Fair Board Report:

B. Wears reported that the board is conducting a search for a new financial manager due to the recent registration of the current manager. Large expenses in the building projected in the near future appear to include: roof on Barn 1- Dairy Barn, Montgomery Hall renovations, and cattle panels for pedestrian safety. Discussing entertainment at the Fair, including the Thursday night event.

Youth Council report:

Allie Ziskovsky and A. Penno reported the January meeting was a planning meeting for the New Members night and for some future events of the year. February 23rd is the next YC activity of broomball at the Coral Ridge Mall. March 14th will be a service project of helping with Special Olympics. April will be a team building meeting lead by Janet Martin. May will be a service activity, perhaps helping with free Lunch, and June, a senior farewell with some sort of entertainment. Allie will continue to work on the details of the recycling project that was initiated last year at the fair.

Fruit Sales:

Letters went out to all Clubs and those that sold last year for reminders of dates and details of the fund raiser project.

Pizza and Pop Stand: 2008 Schedule:

Schedule outline was circulated for members on the YDC to sign up for supervisor positions during the fair.

County Scholarships and Youth Council Interviews:

Decided to have the interviews prior to the YDC meeting on April 3rd. Individuals volunteered for these positions that were recorded by Dianna Colgan.

Senior T-Shirts:

Issue each HS Senior a special recognition senior t-shirt as was designed and printed last year at the Thursday night Award's night at the fair. J. Englert is checking into t-shirt prices. At present, there are 18 HS Seniors registered.

Blueprints for project clubs:

This item is deferred to night meeting.

Certificate of YDC Service Appreciation: E. Boeding recommended that when a YDC Board member goes off the board, recognition be given in the form of a paper certificate or plaque reflecting gratitude for service given. Paid out of YDC's budget. (E.Boeding, J.Englert. Unan.)

Next Meeting: March 6, 2008 at 7:00pm.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:46pm (J. Englert, A. Penno Unan.)

Respectfully Submitted: Bonnie Penno