

Day County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting
Wednesday, March 26, 2025, 7:00 PM

1, 2, 3: President Merrie Atherton called the meeting to order with the recitation of the flag pledges at 7:03 PM. 17 Leaders attended (16 present, 1 Zoom) with 6 of 8 clubs represented. Motion by Amy Fischer to approve the **4. Agenda** with the amendment to move 17C to right after approving the Agenda. Cindy Weyh second. Motion carried.

5. Secretary's report (Robin Dorsett): Motion by Amy Fischer to approve the January 2025 Secretary's report. Brandon Zubke Second. Motion carried. **6. Correspondence:** Thank you note from Shirley Kuecker. She's appreciative that we still ask her to support Day Co 4H as a t-shirt sponsor and she's very proud of Day County 4H.

7. Treasurer's report (Amy Fischer):

- Vince Hanson motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Josh Atherton second. Discussion: Balances: Leaders (\$10,062.04-includes Fruit Sales deposit deposited today), Money Market (\$10,145.47), Earmarked funds to deduct from total funds: Animal Clinics (\$1,523.19), Bike Rodeo (\$2,828.00), Steak Supper (\$30 - recent donation), DASH (\$343.38). CD's: (\$32,161.12) Cash available: \$15,482.94. Motion carried.
- Farm & Home Show concessions: Deposit: \$660.66 Note: Kiwanis donated all food/drink. Valued around \$200+. Thank you note was signed at the meeting.
- Fruit Sales: See Agenda item 16A

8. Shooting Sports Report (Vince Hanson): Practices are continuing; State Shoot is coming up in April, 40+ kids anticipated to qualify for State; Raffle is over, winners will be notified soon; Helping the Ike's with Lenten Fish Fry's every other Friday

9. State Leaders Association: (Amy Fischer): Annual meeting will be in April.

10. Junior Leaders Report: (Robin Dorsett): No report. We will have a meeting in April.

11. Joint Committee Report: Curt Weyh & Josh Atherton: No report regarding meetings. Altophs (spelling?) cement has agreed to donate any extra yards of concrete for the pad that will hold the scale.

12. Audit Committee Report: (Merrie Atherton): No report

13. Awards Committee (Robin Dorsett): We met on Feb. 23. Discussed the Day County Awards Menu further. Amy presented that Bailey Meyer can put together a site from which kids can order their awards. Leaders should continue to tell their clubs about this addition to awards. Discussed shirt color for this year. The shirt design will remain the same as the last two years.

14. Livestock Committee (Jennifer Ringkob): A meeting will be held in April. Species committee leaders have been contacted by email.

15. Advisor Report: Jennifer Ringkob:

- Camp registrations are opening now
- Educator has been hatching chicks in Langford and Waubay schools. Will start in Webster Preschool and PreKindergarten in April.
- The Day County team of Mackenzie Atherton and Lola Wells won the Burger Battle regional event held on Feb 1st!
- April 5th - Regional Kid Care Clinic
- T-Shirt sponsorship letters have been mailed out. About \$2500 is needed and \$1200 has already arrived!
- Static Judges letters have been sent out.
- Remind your club members that show registered animals to be getting those registration papers and not to wait until the last minute
- Kelsey Fischer and Caleb Gaikowski are State 4H Ambassadors. For their Ambassador Leadership Project, they are planning a Bike Rodeo for Tuesday, May 27th. All kids who attend will get a bike helmet.

- Swine Specialist, Kalynn (spelling?), from Mitchell will be doing some in-person and zoom swine education opportunities this spring
- To date, there are 179 4Hers in Day County (including Clover Buds)
- Always continue to read the Thursday Thoughts!

16. Old Business:

- Fruit Sale fundraiser (Amy): Very good fundraiser! Profit: \$5,542.44. The sales goal was \$19,000 and it was surpassed with \$22,000!
- Calendar Updates (Jennifer): It was copied to the back of the March Agenda. Bike Rodeo was added.

17. New Business:

- 4H Insurance: Emailed to Leaders on March 18th. Due by April 15th.
- State 4H Ambassador Donation: Kelsey and Caleb were not able to attend the meeting this evening. Through Jennifer, they presented a video explaining their request for a donation toward Skills X Camp. Each Ambassador is asked to raise \$500 to go toward putting the event on and as a way to help to keep costs down for those that attend. Cindy motioned to give \$1000 (\$500 each) for a Skills X Ambassador donation. Brandon second. No further discussion. Motion carried.
- Horse: (Heather Gaikowski, Kayla Czmowski, Kelly Brandlee)
 - Practices: Starting in April, practices will be held every Sunday at 5:00 PM. Once a month, Roger Jensen, will be at the practice to help and coach. The Leaders present on behalf of the horse project have asked if there is a way to pay Roger for his time? Amy Fischer motioned to give Roger Jensen a \$100 stipend each time he comes, up to \$500, using the money from Earmarked Clinics. Robin second. Discussion: These practices are open to Day and Marshall county 4Hers. Motion carried.
 - YHL: Olivia Mellgren has agreed to facilitate the YHL on April 6th at 5:00.
- Special Foods Day County Contest facilities update: President Atherton just wanted to alert the Leaders that the traditional Webster School FACS location for the Special Food Competition will be demolished before the event will take place. We need to start thinking of another location or another idea to be able to facilitate the competition. Nathan Fischer motioned that up to \$10,000 could be spent on items declared surplus from the school. Josh second. Discussion: Everyone should watch the R&F newspaper to see what is declared surplus and when. Josh offered to get in touch with Webster Area Superintendent Dr. Block or Business Manager Lori O'farrell. There were also suggestions that between the stoves, some refrigerators and some cabinets, we could possibly help to turn the Women's Building on the fairgrounds into a nice facility for the contest. It was also suggested that maybe local churches could serve as a contest site if we aren't able to attain any equipment from the school. Motion carried.

18. Other business:

- Brandon motioned to spend up to \$400 to update some steak supper equipment (plates, forks, knives, storage tubs). Sam Hubsch second. Discussion: Amy reported that the tubs that store the plates are falling apart. She also mentioned that purchasing more plates and silverware will help with the flow of serving people during the steak supper. She will use the recent \$30 earmarked Steak Supper donation as part of the \$400. Motion carried.
- Misty Hemmingson motioned to spend up to \$500 on a "Coke Cooler" style refrigerator. Vince second. Discussion: Missy Bartelt put in a request that having this style of cooler under the grandstand will work better than the current system. She's asking about this now so that Leaders can keep an out for a good deal in the next few months. Motion carried.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 28, 2025, 7 PM Courthouse

Cindy motioned to adjourn the meeting. Heather second. Motion carried at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Robin Dorsett, Secretary