

## Day County Leader's Association ~ Regular Meeting

Thursday, September 14, 2023

A Meeting of the Day County Leader's Association was held Thursday, September 14, 2023 at the Day County Courthouse.

Attendance: (7 of 9 Clubs represented – quorum)

4 - Corners	All Around	Country Kids	County Line	Day County Independents	Dakota Kids	Jolly Workers	Clever Clovers	Sharp Shooters	4-H Office	Others
	Misty Hemmingson	Sam Hubsch	Jamie Larson	Yicki Duerre	Traci Ellingson	Angela Shoemaker	Amy Fischer		Laura Kuecker	Jim Walter
		Jessica McGregor (Zoom)		Chantel Duerre	Cindy Weyh	Robin Dorsett	Heather Gaikowski		Jennifer Ringkob	Ella Hubsch
					Jill Gaikowski	Stacey Williams-Dunse	Nathan Fischer			Beau Hemmingson
					Missy Bartelt		Josh Atherton			Grady Hemmingson
							Merrie Atherton			Trey Dunse

The meeting was called to order by President Duerre. Flag pledges were recited. A motion was made by Robin Dorsett to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Stacey Williams-Dunse. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

### Special Guests:

Trey and Ella were in attendance to present on their CWF trip. They learned a lot in the five days they were able to spend in Washington D.C. They went to monuments, many of the photos they were able to enter as 4-H projects. They broke down into groups to discuss things they could do better for the 4-H Community. Trey and Ella were both able to meet new people and make new friends that they are still in communication with. A couple things they would say to upcoming 4-Hers are: it's a great experience to get you out of your shell and a life changing experience.

Grady and Beau Hemmingson were in attendance to share their experiences at National Shooting Sports. Grady qualified in Hunting Skills and Beau qualified in Recurve Archery. Grady shared that you have to shoot everything and ID animals. They had to complete a common knowledge and map reading test. Shot gun the SD team placed 1<sup>st</sup> and they placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Overall. Beau shared his experience in the field competition. He also shared about pin trading and making new friends. Overall the SD team for Recurve got 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mason Fosness also competed, but was unable to attend the Leader's meeting. Mason did send a letter to the Leader's.

### Reports:

The Secretary's Report was attached to the agenda. Robin Dorsett made a motion to approve the amended Regular Meeting Minutes from Monday, July 10, 2023 editing the State Leader's report that Amy provided a report ahead of time, that was presented by Jennifer, seconded by Amy Fischer. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Jill Gaikowski. General Fund - \$1,553.49 Money Market - \$6,115.53, Livestock Account - \$102,861.70, Food Booth – \$28,950.63, CDs – 4 at

\$5000.00 each. A motion was made by Angela Shoemaker to approve the Treasurer's report, seconded by Traci Ellingson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Missy Bartelt attached the food booth report to the agenda packet. Missy said there was about a \$500 profit increase from last year. Everyday was a sell out for breakfast and lunch specials. Angela Shoemaker made a motion to pay the claim of \$1422.03, from Carlson and Steward from the food booth account, seconded by Josh Atherton. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Jamie Larson made a motion to reimburse Missy Bartelt \$899.07 for SDSU ice cream \$160.84 and Cash Wa Direct for \$738.23, seconded by Amy Fischer. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Sam Hubsch to pay Missy Bartelt \$3130.00 for running the food booth, seconded by Chantel Duerre. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Missy appreciated everyone stepping up to help make it a successful year. Offer was extended for Missy to run it again next year. Treasurer, Jill Gaikowski presented the following claims to be paid: Steph Cronin \$827.50, Reporter and Farmer \$421.77, Animal and Static Exhibit Judges \$1400.00, Roerig Family \$13,760.00, SD 4-H Volunteer \$10.00. A motion was made by Stacey Williams-Dunse to accept the claims as presented, seconded by Missy Bartelt. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Jamie Larson made a motion to transfer \$3000 from the Money Market account to the General Fund to cover presented claims, seconded by Heather Gaikowski. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Jamie Larson to transfer \$220 to the food booth account from the sale of the pies that was deposited in the livestock account and transfer \$525 given as a donation towards the horse arena from Hub City Livestock along with \$300 donation given by Randy Schuring to the General Fund, seconded by Angela Shoemaker. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

**Audit Committee Report:** The audit committee has met and is currently working on reviewing the last 5 years of minutes and financials. The audit committee requested the rest of the statements starting with January 1, 2023 forward on all accounts. Minutes were requested for 2023. The audit committee will begin meeting on Mondays starting October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm with the Treasurer to potentially join the October 16<sup>th</sup> committee meeting. Quick Books was discussed, it is currently not up to date.

**Awards Committee Report:** This year the top awards will remain the same along with the applications. Compliments were received on rosettes and Showmanship ribbons. Those currently serving on the Awards committee are: Robin Dorsett, Stacey Williams-Dunse, Chantel Duerre, Amy Fischer, and Allison Gaikowski.

**Joint Committee Report:** Thad Duerre and Curt Weyh were not in attendance. Commissioner Walter was in attendance. Commissioner Walter had not been notified of any joint meetings. Discussion was held on where the \$10,000 from the county was spent that was allocated first to the water project then to the show ring - joint projects. Commissioner Walter will check in to where the Fair Board spent the \$10,000 and report back.

**Shooting Sports Report:** Traci Ellingson reported around 250 people were served at the Threshing Bee in Andover. They have asked Day County Shooting Sports to come back again next year for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Josh Atherton reported all the gun equipment has been

moved out to the Ike's building. This year guns and archery will both be at the Ike's. Josh will be meeting with Anthony to move the safe. Anthony's 4-H Club has been working on cleaning up the aisles outside.

The Youth Advisor's Report was provided by Jennifer Ringkob. Day County had 239 entries at the SD State Fair. Highlights: Raelee Ellingson – Champion Beginner Rabbit Showmanship, Macee McGregor – third overall Junior Fashion Revue, Alliyah Zirbel third overall beginner CDM Contest, Kelsey Fischer – chose to serve as SD 4-H Youth Ambassador. State Dog Show – Makayla Meland first place junior obedience, first place junior skillathon, Raelee Ellingson – beginner – second place agility, first obedience, third place rally, reserve champion showmanship, Isaiah Hughes – second place rally junior, second place junior skillathon, Josiah Hughes – first place rally junior, third place junior skillathon. State Horse Show – Breckett Zubke – western showmanship reserve champion junior, fifth place junior ranch riding, Chante Hill- fourth place junior trail. The Day County 4-H Website is now live! Address is available in the Thursday Thoughts. There is lots of great info on the website including: Leader's minutes, photos, record book pages, and a calendar just to name a few. Annie's Project – will be coming this fall to the Marshall County Area. September 21<sup>st</sup> – 4-H will be promoted at the museum with youth – providing bags with brochures and pencils. Please promote the next youth DASH for junior leader age 4-Hers – September 30<sup>th</sup> in Watertown. Info has been in the newsletter, website, and facebook. I Dare you Leadership – asking for letters of nomination; junior or senior, shows leadership and leadership potential in club, county, community, and possibly state level. A handout was provided. Key award checklist was provided.

Junior Leader's Report: Robin Dorsett reported the auction for the planters got rained out at the Day County Fair. All positive compliments were received and they are planning to do the project again. Robin asked for suggestions on when the best time to do a meeting is. A doodle poll was suggested. Jennifer has an email list available. Robin and Jennifer will work on this together. Announcements at school were suggested.

State Leader's Association Report: Amy Fischer reported they met at the SD State Fair. Discussion was held on quality of projects, getting volunteer judges, and certified shooting sports instructors. Grant County has training for shooting sports instructors on November 18<sup>th</sup> and Brooking County is holding training on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Old Business:**

Day County Fair: Sincere thank you to all who made the fair a success. Special thank you to the volunteers and families that turned the beef barn into our arena for Sunday.

Record Books: Due to leaders by Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Leaders turn them into the office by Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. Sample record book pages are available in the Newsletter and on the website.

Recognition Event: Recognition will be held on Sunday, November 5, 2023 at Webster at 4:30pm. The host club will be the Clever Clovers. The office will assist with a sign up sheet for bars.

Shooting Sports Scholarship for National Team Members: The policy document was referenced. Misty Hemmingson will have the attendees complete the form and turn it in.

### **New Business:**

Food Booth: Report was provided during the Treasurer's report.

Steak Supper: Amy Fischer provided a report on the Steak Supper, including a profit of \$5081.322. Good turnout, over 400 were served. Fewer tickets were presold this year. Amy requested to have some proceeds go to the Crow's nest at the horse arena. The Saddle Club shared a quote of \$11,000. The Saddle Club has already purchased windows and doors. Hub City donated \$525 to the project. A motion was made by Traci Ellingson to pay Amy Fischer \$1100 for chairing the Steak Supper, seconded by Misty Hemmingson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Jamie Larson made a motion to move steak supper profits from the food booth account to the general fund to cover donation to horse arena, seconded by Heather Gaikowski. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Jamie Larson made a motion to donate \$4000 to the Crow's Nest project at the Horse Arena, seconded by Angela Shoemaker. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Appoint Award Interview Committee for Best Beginner, Top Junior, and Outstanding 4-Her: Interviews will be held the week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Kids will be able to sign up for times after the judges are secured. Jennifer can reach out to potential judges. Names given were: Cindy Zenk, Margaret Kwasniewski, Cherrie Whitlock, and Kevin Bohn.

Special Awards: Alumni – Jen Zirbel and Jordan Gaikowski, Meritorious Service – Randy Schuring, Friend of 4-H – Brittney Zubke with Thrivent Financial and Hub City Livestock.

National 4-H Week – October 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>: Theme – 4-H is a Feeling, we would love to see each club do something to promote 4-H! County wide 4-H T-shirt day is October 4<sup>th</sup>. Pumpkin Fest is October 7<sup>th</sup> – contact the office if you are interested in doing a county or club float. Encourage members to write a letter to the editor to share why 4-H is an awesome organization to join (goes towards the key award). Social Media – share what you love about 4-H through photos, projects, community service, education, and accomplishments.

CWF Trip Award: Applications are due by October 13<sup>th</sup>. Interviews will be held on November 5, 2023. It was decided to use the checklist again to set expectations for the kids. Volunteers for the Interview Panel were: Vicki Duerre, Traci Ellingson, and Sam Hubsch.

Emma's playground account: Missy Bartelt requested permission to close the Emma's playground account as it is at a \$0.00 balance and not used. A motion was made by Angela Shoemaker to close the Emma's playground account at a \$0.00 balance, seconded by Chantel Duerre. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. It was also discussed we need to add clean up of Emma's playground to our list for things to do before, during, and after the Fair.

### **Other Business:**

The Beef Clinic was attended by 13-14 youth. Hailey Becking, Carly Becking, and Chuck Ringkob instructed the clinic. Jamie Larson made a motion to pay each instructor \$200 from the earmarked funds for livestock clinics, seconded by Heather Gaikowski. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Amy Fischer discussed in the past a quilt auction had been done for 4-Her's with parents that had passed. Zenk's had discussed planting a tree or 2 in memory of the 4-Hers that have passed, also talked about a planter, directed towards the Fair Board.

A motion was made by Angela Shoemaker to transfer funds from the food booth account, after all bills have been paid to the money market account and leave a \$1000.00 balance in the food booth account, seconded by Jamie Larson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Stacey Williams-Dunse, seconded by Angela Shoemaker. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm at the Day County Courthouse.