

Day County Leader's Association ~ Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

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

Attendance: (9 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
Jason Richie	Misty Hemmingson	Kristi Gaikowski	Andy Paulson	Thad Duerre	Curt Weyh	Karmen Case	Amy Fischer	Anthony Bjerke	Jennifer Ringkob	Jim Walter
	Kurt Hemmingson	Jessica McGregor	Jamie Larson (Zoom)	Chantel Duerre	Cindy Weyh	Stacey Williams-Dunse	Merrie Atherton	Lisa Bjerke	Laura Kuecker	Vicki Duerre
		Sam Hubsch	Charlee Larson (Zoom)	Nathan Duerre	Allison Gaikowski	Angela Shoemaker	Kayla Fischer	Katy Wickre	Oakley Perry (State)	
					Jill Gaikowski	Robin Dorsett	Pam Hommel	Vince Hanson	Katie Plendl (State)	
					Missy Bartelt		Nathan Fischer		Cally Faulhaber (State)	
					Traci Ellingson		Heather Gaikowski			
							Tim Gaikowski			
							Josh Atherton			
							Connor Fischer			
							Kayla Czmowski			
							Jessie Wik			
							Shawn Wik			

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Cindy Weyh. Flag pledges were recited. Introductions were made stating name and affiliation. A motion was made by Nathan Fischer to amend the agenda, moving "Election of Officers" after Old Business, seconded by Connor Fischer. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Reports:

The Secretary's Report was attached to the agenda and presented by Secretary, Merrie Atherton. Josh Atherton made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from Thursday, September 14, 2023, seconded by Andy Paulson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Thank you received from graduate, Erin Case.

The Treasurer's report was given by Jill Gaikowski. General Fund - \$1,472.42 Money Market - \$3,119.26, Livestock Account - \$77.75, Food Booth – \$20,337.06, CDs – 4 at \$5000.00 each. A motion was made by Thad Duerre to approve the Treasurer's report, seconded by Angela Shoemaker. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Discussion on upcoming CD renewals. Dacotah Bank rates will be decreasing to 5.05 for a 7 month starting November 15, 2023.

Audit Committee Report: The audit committee consisting of Amy Fischer, Traci Ellingson, and Merrie Atherton provided the Audit Report to the Day County Leaders Association. The Audit Committee outlined the scope, findings, key issues/risks, and recommendations. A motion was made by Robin Dorsett to accept the Audit Committee's Report, seconded by Andy Paulson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Discussion was held on setting a budget to be sent in with the Charter Renewal by December 31, 2023. Vince Hanson made a motion to schedule a Special Meeting on Wednesday, December 6th at 7:00 pm, with the business purpose to set a Budget, seconded by Amy Fischer. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Awards Committee Report: No updates at this time.

Joint Committee Report: Thad Duerre and Curt Weyh reported no meetings have been held. Commissioner Walter was in attendance, last meeting he had advised he would follow up with the Fair Board where the \$10,000 had been spent and report back. At the time of the meeting he did not have anything to report back. County Commission meeting minutes showed \$10,000 was moved to the Fair Board to tin the pavilion. Commissioner Walter was not aware of the funds moving.

Shooting Sports Report: Vince Hanson reported Day County has lots of new instructors they are working on getting certified. They plan is to have an instructor meeting after Thanksgiving and the kids will start after the first of the year.

The Youth Advisor's Report was provided by Jennifer Ringkob. Thank you to everyone who helped make the Recognition Event a success. Laura and Jennifer are currently working on a calendar for the upcoming year. If you know some local experts let the office know. If you have any suggestions email Jennifer. Remind kids to read Thursday Thoughts. The next DASH event will be held December 2, 2023, with a registration deadline of November 28, 2023. They are currently working to expand their reach and including adults. A motion was made by Nathan Fischer to pay up to \$150 in DASH registration fees for those Junior Leaders that would attend the December 2, 2023 event, seconded by Angela Shoemaker. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

State Leader's Association Report: Amy Fischer advised nothing to report at the time of the meeting.

Junior Leader's Report: Robin Dorsett reported good turnout at the October meeting. The Junior Leader's met for a regular meeting and elected officers. They are planning to meet in the spring and plan on doing the planter project again. After the meeting Marshall County kids joined them for bowling and pizza.

Old Business:

Recognition Event: Thank you to all who made the event run smoothly for our youth.

Shooting Sports Scholarship for Grady Hemmingson and Beau Hemmingson: Beau and Grady completed the paperwork as requested from the last meeting. Registration cost per kid was \$700 plus hotel fees. Vince Hanson made a motion to pay \$350 per kid to cover costs incurred for National Shooting Sports, seconded by Josh Atherton. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

4-H Online: Reminder to re-enroll. Deadline for volunteers is December 31, 2023. Recommend youth follow the same deadline – 4-H Online for youth closes May 31, 2024. There is a link on the Day County website to 4-H Online.

Election of Officers:

President: Nominations for President were made as follows: Vince Hanson made a motion to nominate Jessica McGregor, seconded by Curt Weyh. Amy Fischer made a motion to nominate Merrie Atherton, seconded by Kayla Czmowski. A motion was made by Amy Fischer to cease nominations, seconded by Andy Paulson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Votes were cast and then collected and counted by Robin Dorsett, Misty Hemmingson, and Sam Hubsch, the majority vote was announced for Merrie Atherton.

Vice President: Nominations for Vice President were made as follows: Allison Gaikowski made a motion to nominate Cindy Weyh, seconded by Traci Ellingson. Heather Gaikowski made a motion to nominate Kristi Gaikowski, seconded by Robin Dorsett. A motion was made by Missy Bartelt to cease nominations, seconded by Allison Gaikowski. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Votes were cast and then collected and counted by Robin Dorsett, Misty Hemmingson, and Sam Hubsch, the majority vote was announced for Kristi Gaikowski.

Secretary: Nominations for Secretary were made as follows: Jill Gaikowski made a motion to nominate Traci Ellingson, seconded by Curt Weyh. Nathan Fischer made a motion to nominate Stacey Williams-Dunse, seconded by Josh Atherton. A motion was made by Amy Fischer to cease nominations, seconded by Jessie Wik. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Votes were cast and then collected and counted by Robin Dorsett, Misty Hemmingson, and Sam Hubsch, the majority vote was announced for Stacey Williams-Dunse.

Treasurer: Nominations for Treasurer were made as follows: Stacey Williams-Dunse made a motion to nominate Amy Fischer, seconded by Shawn Wik. Curt Weyh made a motion to nominate Allison Gaikowski, seconded by Nathan Duerre. A motion was made by Robin Dorsett to cease nominations, seconded by Sam Hubsch. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Votes were cast and then collected and counted by Robin Dorsett, Misty Hemmingson, and Sam Hubsch, the majority vote was announced for Amy Fischer.

Reporter: Nominations for Reporter were made as follows: Sam Hubsch made a motion to nominate Robin Dorsett, seconded by Amy Fischer. A motion was made by Angela Shoemaker to cease nominations, seconded by Traci Ellingson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. A unanimous ballot was cast for Robin Dorsett.

Day County Leader's Association Officers for 2023-2024 4-H Year:

President: Merrie Atherton

Vice President: Kristi Gaikowski

Secretary: Stacey Williams-Dunse

Treasurer: Amy Fischer

Reporter: Robin Dorsett

A motion was made by Angela Shoemaker to adjourn the Day County Leader's Association 2022-2023 Board, seconded by Jill Gaikowski. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

A brief recess was taken. Meeting reconvened with 2023-2024 Officers.

New Business:

Farm and Home Show: Scheduled for January 19th and 20th, 2024. Amy Fischer has agreed to run the Food Booth. Discussion on having a 4-H Booth. It could be clubs, Junior Leaders, Shooting Sports, etc. Office said they would pay for the booth. Office will set-up a sign-up document for the booth and food booth.

Designation of Courthouse Christmas Funds: Angela Shoemaker made a motion to donate the Courthouse Christmas funds to the Megan Zenk Family, seconded by Chantel Duerre. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Rules, Standards and Policies and By Law changes: Josh Atherton made a motion to delete the verbiage “up to \$100” under the Day County 4-H Leaders Activity Scholarship heading, to make the sentence read as follows: *The 4-H Leaders Association will make scholarships available to 4-H Youth on an individual basis, for 50% of registration fees incurred, to attend one regional, state, or national event, not including CWF*, seconded by Robin Dorsett. Discussion was held, Josh Atherton amended original motion to add “up to”. Thad Duerre, point of order, advised Atherton he would need to strike his motion, along with Dorsett striking her second. Atherton and Dorsett moved to strike original motions set forth. A motion was made by Josh Atherton to have the first sentence under Day County 4-H Leaders Activity Scholarship to read as follows: *The 4-H Leaders Association will make scholarships available to 4-H Youth on an individual basis, for up to 50% of registration fees incurred, to attend one regional, state, or national event, not including CWF*, seconded by Vince Hanson. Per 2/3 requirement all club delegates cast their vote. Vote Count: Yes – 15 No – 4. Motion carried. Cindy Weyh made a motion to strike the statement “with the exception of swine” under Leasing Animals, seconded by Allison Gaikowski. Vote was not taken. Misty Hemmingson made a motion to form a committee to review the Day County 4-H Rules, Standards, and Policies document, seconded by Amy Fischer. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. The following Committee was formed with a representative from each club and the office: Dakota Kids: Allison Gaikowski, 4-Corners: Jason Richie, All Around: Misty Hemmingson, Country Kids: Jessica McGregor, County Line: Jamie Larson, Independents: Chantel Duerre, Jolly Workers: Angela Shoemaker, Clever Clovers: Merrie Atherton, Sharp Shooters: Vince Hanson, Office: Jennifer Ringkob. The committee will meet after to schedule the meeting date. Robin Dorsett made a motion to add under **Article III - Officers** a **Section 5 – Duties of the Reporter**, seconded by Stacey Williams-Dunse. Per 2/3 requirement all club delegates cast their vote. All delegates voting in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Angela Shoemaker to add under **Article III – Officers, Section 5 – Duties of the Reporter** the following: *Responsible for promoting and reporting to your community about your association and its activities through various forms of media*. Seconded by, Allison Gaikowski. Per 2/3 requirement all club delegates cast their vote. All delegates voting in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Amy Fischer to move By Laws to the Day County 4-H Rules, Standards, and Policies Committee for review, seconded by Misty Hemmingson. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

Annual Charter Renewal: Previously discussed.

Volunteer Job Descriptions/Agreement: Made available to all by 4-H office.

Civil Rights Assurance Statement for each club: one per club provided by 4-H office to have Club Leaders sign.

Other Business: Traci Ellingson made a motion to make the required first payment for Martin and Michael Dorsett to attend the CWF trip, seconded by Josh Atherton. All members voting in favor. Motion carried. Vicki Duerre spoke about a letter she had received from the State 4-H office.

A motion to adjourn was made by Angela Shoemaker at 9:14pm, seconded by Sam Hubsch. All members voting in favor. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, December 6th, 2023 at 7:00pm at the Day County Courthouse.

Merrie Atherton
Secretary
(Unofficial until approved)