

Day County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting
January 15, 2025, 7:00 PM

President Merrie Atherton called the meeting to order with the recitation of the flag pledges at 7:21 PM. 13 Leaders attended (10 present, 3 Zoom) with 5 of 8 clubs represented.

Motion by Amy Fischer to approve the **Agenda**. Sam Hubsch second. Motion carried.

Secretary's report (Robin Dorsett): Motion by Josh Atherton to approve the November 2024 Secretary's report. Brandon Zubke Second. Motion carried. Correspondence: Thank you note from a 4Her. 3 blank thank you notes presented for present Leaders to sign.

Treasurer's report (Amy Fischer):

- Misty Hemmingson motioned to approve the claims as presented and to approve the Treasurer's Report. Brandon second. Discussion: *Balances*: Leaders (\$5,501.58), Money Market (\$10,137.99), *Earmarked funds* to deduct from total funds: Animal Clinics (\$1,523.19), Bike Rodeo (2828.00). Cash available: \$11,288.38. Motion carried.
- Brandon motioned to give a \$20 GC to Andy and Kara Paulson. Jessica McGregor second. Discussion: A late Courthouse Christmas donation was turned in and a Leader offered the Paulson family as a suggestion since they are dealing with health issues at this time and we (Leaders Assoc.) would like to offer some help to them. Motion carried.
- Josh motioned to re-enroll 4 CD's that renew on February 19 at best option available. Misty second. Discussion: Amy reported that 4 of the 6 CDs will need attention in February. Motion carried.
- Note that the \$5000 in Jaime's November motion was moved into the Money Market in January along with \$2000 more for a total of a \$7000 Money Market January deposit.

Audit Committee: no report

Awards Committee (Robin Dorsett): We met on Jan. 12. We analyzed past awards given and decided to stick with those but to also add a new way to reward 4-H members. The idea is to let kids choose from a "Mall" of awards. The Mall has three levels of awards. Members earn the ability to choose an award by, for example, winning Best of Show, Grand Champion Showmanship, Judges Choice, YIA participant, just to name a few. This Mall idea is still in the works and we would like input and ideas from all ages of 4-H members. Please ask your members, at your next club meeting, what kinds of prizes they would like to choose from. Increasing the number of awards will also increase the amount of money needed. The committee is asking for a \$15,650 budget. This request was figured at the top end of everything. Top end, meaning, the max amount of awards that could be given in all areas. It should also be noted that no money will be spent this year on CWF. Misty motioned to approve the Awards Committee Budget request. Brandon second. With no further discussion, motion carried.

Joint Committee Report: Curt Weyh & **Josh Atherton:** No report regarding meetings. Derek Sinner and Danny Kjos are the commissioners assigned to the Joint Committee.

Shooting Sports Report (Josh Atherton): Practices for archery, BB gun and air rifle have started.

Advisor Report: Jennifer Ringkob:

- Burger Battle event on Feb 1st is YLL approved. Please sign your team up soon!
- YLL opportunity at Watertown Winter Farm show
- NE Calf Show on Feb. 15 in Watertown
- April 5th - Regional Kid Care Clinic
- Food Fun 4-H started in December

State Leaders Association: (Amy Fischer): 17 Mini Grands were submitted and 6 were approved. The Burger Battle was one of them.

Junior Leaders Report:(Robin Dorsett): No meetings to report on. We will try to have a meeting in March.

Old Business:

- A. Farm & Home Show: January 24-25. Amy is managing the 4-H Food Booth. Please check your email and the FB page to sign up for shifts to work and to offer 3x3 bars, cut and individually wrapped.

New Business:

- A. Fruit Sale fundraiser (Amy):
- a. Starts January 20 online at myfruitsales.com
 - b. Enter all sales by February 10
 - c. Forms distributed to club leaders at this meeting. Please distribute them to your club members as soon as possible.
 - d. Misty motioned to spend \$200 in gift cards for fruit sales incentive prizes. Nathan second.
Discussion: Amy and Laura will get the gift cards. Motion carried.
- B. Oven Lovin' Challenge (Jennifer): The State 4-H Special Foods committee has created this initiative based on the need for new stoves in Nordby Hall. They have \$5000, so far, to purchase 8 new stoves. Amy motioned to give \$500 to this initiative from the Day County Leaders Association. Robin second. With no further discussion, motion carried.
- C. Calendar (Jennifer): A preliminary calendar of County and State events and deadlines was presented. If Leaders have program, workshop or clinic ideas, or know of local experts, they should give them to Jennifer. It was mentioned by a few members that the animal clinics and YIA clinics were very successful.

Other business: none presented

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 26, 2025, 7 PM Courthouse

Sam motioned to adjourn the meeting. Brandon second. Motion carried at 8:24 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Robin Dorsett, Secretary