

Pennington County 4-H Leaders Association Meeting  
January 14, 2020 – 6:00PM  
Walter Taylor 4-H Building

- I. **Call to Order – Christina Dehn called meeting to order at 6:06pm**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge**
- III. **Introductions – Roll Call** – Kim Suckow (Rushmore Riders & Explorers & Staff Assistant), Regina Bakley – 4-H Youth Program Advisor, Lloyd Morgan – Black Hills Home Explorers, Christina Dehn – Heavenly Vessels, Kim McCarty & Linda Kelly – Paws In Motion, Lisa Moon – Cedar Butte Challengers, Rebecca Friedel – BHHE, Patty Brunner – Shamrock Riders, Cheri De Long joined at 6:30 half way through the elections, Carissa Naasz joined late into the meeting.
- IV. **Secretary’s Report** – Minutes of Last Meeting - Lloyd Morgan motioned to approve, Lisa moon second, motioned approved unanimously
- V. **Treasurer’s Report** - \$70,886.87 with \$8, 854.90 for budgeted items and \$19,636.91 in Fundraisers the rest is specific clubs amounts.
- VI. **Elections – Advisor Bakley explained that elections at the last meeting did not meet quorum and we needed to redo the elections.**
  - President (2 year term – Current: Melanie Rausch) – Nominations: Melanie Rausch - Suckow nominated, Brunner second, approved unanimously
  - Vice President (1 Year Terms – Current: Christina Dehn) – Nominations: Dehn, Morgan – 4 for Dehn, 2 for Morgan – Dehn won with majority vote.
  - Secretary (1 Year Terms – Current: Trisha Miller) – Nominations: Miller – approved unanimously
  - Treasurer (2 year Terms – Current: Cheri DeLong) – Nominations: Stephanie Wellman (Suckow nominated, Morgan Second) – approved unanimously
- VII. **Committee Reports**
  - 50/50 –
    - Tickets to prep
    - signs to edit – Rebecca Friedel volunteered to help
    - sign to make for Civic Center?
  - Workshops
    - Suckow updated on how the Bread Baking Workshop went – had 20 sign up, 19 attended. Joyce Bowman told Suckow that volunteers and parents were amazing
    - Regina shared idea to do Red Shirt Project doing Valentines for Veterans
      - VFW supplies Shirts
      - Do event in red Shirts and take photos during event and submit to the Red Shirt website.
      - Friedel asked how we could make sure 4-H Brand is shown in pictures.
        - Ideas were to do pins on shirts, banners in background or something on the pictures when submitting them.
  - Horse – no report
  - Record Books – Mtg. Jan. 27th
  - By Laws – Suckow updated that the committee met back in November and spoke with Dr. Tanner (SD 4-H Director) and he said to send him our suggestions of what would be items to have in the Constitution written by the State and what would be items to have in the By Laws written by the individual Leaders Associations. Dr. Tanner said he would not get to this until December. The committee sent him their suggestions and in December he emailed back letting us know that our suggestions were used to set up the new Constitution and

to wait for the official documents. At this time we do not have any official documents from the state office and are waiting for those in order to proceed.

#### **VIII. Unfinished Business**

- Western Junior Food Booth – No current update – still waiting on responses from clubs
- Wreath Fundraiser - No current update – still need to calculate club amounts
- Treasurer Audit Meeting – Needed - include Cheri and Stephanie – office will send an email to those who have expressed interest.

#### **IX. New Business**

- Dog Club Equipment – Paws In Motion – Kelly and McCarty explained history of the two dog clubs – Extra Ordinary Friends was created at least 30 years ago and in 2017 they created Paws In Motion and the Advisor at the time assigned the current Extra Ordinary Friends Leader. They explained that their understanding was to share the dog equipment. They feel the Dog equipment is just as much Paws In Motions as it is Extra Ordinary Friends because the money raised came from families in both clubs. Current Extra Ordinary Friends Club Leader is not sharing equipment. They explained that the club is in need of agility equipment and matting for course work. They would like to see more youth going to /State competitions but youth need a place to practice.
  - They would like Leaders Association to either help get access to the equipment or help purchase new equipment that the county would own, not a club and everyone could use.
    - Bakley stated that she did ask Extra Ordinary Friends if the county could use the equipment and she was told no.
    - Bakley said options are for Leaders Association to purchase current equipment or for Leaders Association to purchase new equipment. DeLong had mentioned helping the Paws In Motion club find grants or fundraising opportunities instead of spending Leaders Association money.
    - Brunner suggested that anyone with equipment at the building should share equipment
    - Morgan used their equipment as an example in that the Black Hills Home Explorers have Archery equipment stored in the building and they would not allow other county members to use the equipment as they did not help purchase it and it would be safety concern. Suckow agreed with mention of the Black Hills Shooters Guns stored in the building as well.
    - Morgan and Friedel suggested that if Paws In Motion has it in writing that the Extra Ordinary Friends were to share the equipment with Paws In Motion the Leaders Association might have a way to request the equipment be shared.
- Super Clovers Account – Regina Bakley – asked if Leaders could start account with money to help the club get going. Explained that two college students are going to be leading the club and could use the money to help them out.
  - Delong mentioned that the Leaders have helped in the past for \$20 per month.
  - Suckow mentioned Cloverbuds are the source of 4-Hers and the leaders should help them out.
  - Morgan motioned to do \$20 per month for rest of 2019-202 year Jan. – Sept.
  - Moon seconded the motions and it unanimously passed
- Promotion & Expansion Committee – Regina Bakley – Bakley explained that the State 4-H Office is requiring a Promotions and Expansion Committee be started in each county. Due to the meeting running late she will email out information on this.

- Thank you Cards to write – Kim Suckow – DeLong suggested the Cloverbuds work on these and Bakley will get them to the Cloverbud leaders.
- Thank you cards received – Kim Suckow – Cards were passed around for all to see.
- Parliamentary Procedure Video – Regina Bakley
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FfnBGolKmbM> - Bakley explained she wants every leader to watch this video to refresh themselves on Parliamentary Procedure. Make sure they are using this at their club meetings and at the Leaders meeting.
  - Desk Plaques for Officers – Vanway Trophy – Bakley and Suckow suggested the Leaders purchase desk plaques for officer titles for clubs to use in meeting room. General consensus was that this was a good idea. DeLong suggested we get a quote on cost. – Suckow will get a cost and bring to next meeting.

**X. Announcements**

- Leaders Training – Bakley asked if leaders preferred a leader training the same day as the State Training coming here or a separate day – consensus was to spend one full long day here not to break it up. Bakley will email out information as soon as date is decided.
- Northwestern Christmas Light Drive – Bakley mentioned that Pennington County will be a drop off location for lights that robotics clubs can use to teach youth about circuits. If anyone is in need of lights please let the office know, or if you have some you would like to donate to the office we will take them.
- VFW Red Shirt Project – Bakley mentioned that this is an opportunity for 4-H to work with the local VFW auxiliary to build relationships between veterans and 4-H members as well as provide opportunities for youth to volunteer. Bakley had asked that if clubs are interested in participating in this, that they let the office know by Friday and she would make sure the shirts were provided for those clubs. She plans to set up a Valentines for Veterans Event for early February.
- Black Hills Parent – 4-H Member James Ratkovsky – Suckow mentioned that Rushmore Riders & Explorers 4-H member James Ratkovsky was in the most recent Black Hills Parent magazine and his 4-H involvement was mentioned.
- Capitol Day - Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> - Bakley mentioned that we had 9 youth originally signed up but due to sickness now only 5 are attending. Suckow, Bakley, and Savanna Suckow will be riding with Custer/Fall River and the office will be closed when Jane Amiotte is teaching at schools.
- Many Projects in the Office for Volunteers
  - Trophies to put away
  - BHSS Help
  - 50/50 Help
  - Scanning

**XI. Other Business**

**XII. Adjournment**

**XIII. Next Meeting(s):**

- **March 10, 2020**