

Northeast Regional 4-H Council **“DRAFT”**

Saturday, January 11, 2020

St. Paul Municipal Library

12:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

- 1.0 Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 12:40 p.m. after the Zoom call was established.
- 2.0 4-H Pledge - Gabrielle Cheremshynski led the Pledge.
- 3.0 Recognition of Voting Delegates – Introductions were made and quorum was established.
- 4.0 Additions/Deletions to Agenda –The following items were added to the agenda: 10.05 SALT report; 14.04 Regional Fees; 14.05 Cookbooks.
- 5.0 Approval of Agenda – Connie Steinwand made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Jodi Dahlgren seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 6.0 Minutes November 2, 2019 – Carmen King (Acting Secretary) – The minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting, there were no comments. Carmen King made a motion to approve the minutes as circulated. Shannon McNalley seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 7.0 Correspondence – There was no correspondence.
- 8.0 President’s Report – Colette McBride (as circulated) – The report had been circulated, no comments.
- 9.0 Treasurer – Shauna Charron
 - 9.01 Audited Financial (circulated) – the report was circulated and reviewed, no comments. Shauna Charron made a motion to accept the report as circulated. Jodi Dahlgren seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - 9.02 Appointment of Auditor – Shauna Charron made a motion to appoint Jack Seewalt as auditor for the 2019/20 year. Terry Huculak seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - 9.03 Treasurer's Report – Shauna Charron reviewed the treasurer’s report as of January 7, 2020. Scholarships are still owing. Shauna Charron made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented. Terry Huculak seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 10.0 Special Reports
 - 10.01 Promotions – Dechaine family (as circulated) – The current inventory and order form were circulated, no comments.
 - 10.02 Casino – Nov 25/26, 2019 (as circulated) – The report was circulated prior

to the meeting, no comments. Funds will likely be dispersed at the end of March.

- 10.03 Historian / Communication – NE Ambassadors (as circulated) – The report was circulated prior to the meeting, no comments.
- 10.04 Trip/Program Reports – Leaders/Members - Megan Kryz attended Agribition.
- 10.05 SALTT (Small Animal, Life Skills, Technology and Trades) Report – Shauna Charron presented the report, see attached. It was asked if there was a choice in the date for the Telus World of Science centre trip one of the choices is the same date as Spring Fling. Shauna responded that the selection of dates is out of our hands. There is still discussion that Small Animal may be split for next year.

11.0 Regional Event Update

- 11.01 4-H Learning Day (Wainwright) – Nov 16, 2019 (as circulated). Shannon McNalley presented the report and there was discussion re: improvements for next year, the issues encountered with registration and the best time to hold the event. As this is the first time the event was hosted, the binder was created with guidelines regarding purpose and content. There were no regional representatives at the event to oversee it, which was unfortunate as this was a first time event. The guest registration was very difficult and didn't allow collection of information such as allergies. The registration difficulties prevented some members from attending. It was suggested that paper/email registrations be offered for those that are not registered on-line yet, as the event will typically be held early in the year. Shelly Ann reminded everyone that the userid/password does not change from year to year for current member/leaders. It was asked if the event was to recruit new members or to educate existing members. It was suggested to do a "bring a friend" and that one of the sessions at the event could be how to do on-line registrations. Vermilion River hosts next year and a date will need to be determined by the April meeting. They will consider the registration issues and make some recommendations.
- 11.02 Fall Fling (Bonnyville) – Nov 22-23, 2019 (as circulated)- Two members present reported on their experience at Fall Fling, both had fun, felt it was worthwhile and would recommend it to others. The event came in under budget, was very well supported, intermediate members from the host district volunteered and this was very positive. The binder has been passed on to Wainwright District.
- 11.03 Regional Volleyball (Vermilion River) – Dec 7, 2019 (as circulated) – The event was well organized. Thank you to Vermilion River for hosting. Next year's event will be held the first Sunday of December (December 6th)
- 11.04 You Be the Judge (Beaver) – Feb 8, 2020 – Update, Budget Approval – The budget was submitted. Darren Klein reported that planning is in progress and registration is open. The budget was reviewed and Darren Klein made a motion that the budget be approved as presented. Crystal

Dechaine seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- 11.05 Communications (St. Paul) – Mar 21, 2020 – Update, Budget Approval – The budget was circulated (see attached). The date is March 21st, 2020. Unfortunately we will not know what the AltaLink sponsorship will be in advance, the regional budget for the event is \$3500 and there is another \$200 available for promotional items. A question was asked as to why the kids do not receive awards, the 1st place winners receive a travelling trophy, it is up to the host committee to determine if other awards will be provided. It was noted that the Regional program budget sheet is in the policy/procedure manual and it was suggested that this be included in all binders.

Jason Boorse made a motion to approve the budget as presented. Shannon McNalley seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

- 11.06 Spring Fling (Wood Buffalo) – Apr 3-4, 2020 – Update, Budget Approval – Wood Buffalo is organizing and have submitted a requested for a change in date, from Fri/Sat to Sat/Sun (same weekend). The facility is available Sat/Sun at no cost. Those districts present agreed with the date change, as it is better to travel on Saturday morning so kids don't have to miss school on Friday.

Lucinda made a motion to change the date for Spring Fling to April 4/5 (Sat/Sun). Crystal Dechaine seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Lucinda presented the budget and reported they are working on programming, kids will arrive at noon on Saturday. A note was made that peanuts should be avoided (planned activity peanut butter crystals).

Lucinda made a motion to approve the budget for Spring Fling as presented. Darren Klein seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Megan Saruk then raised the issue of bussing for Spring Fling. She has looked into it and suggested we consider the St. Paul Regional Football bus. Cost would be approximately \$800 for the bus plus \$400 for gas and \$200 for a hotel room for the driver. The bus can carry about 40 people and counsellors would be welcome to ride the bus as well. The total cost would be divided by the number of people on the bus and would be paid by the families. There would be two screened leaders on the bus (Megan and her husband are volunteering to do this). All present thought it was a good option. Shelly Ann confirmed that 4-H liability would cover the bus ride. Shannon McNalley made a motion that we look into providing bus transportation to Spring Fling. Jaylyn Behiels seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Shelly Ann will help with the organizing of the bus and will send out a message to see how many are interested.

- 11.07 NE Regional Beef Heifer Show (Minburn) – Jun 13, 2020 – Date reminder, there will be further discussion at the Regional Beef Committee meeting, immediately following this meeting.

11.08 Regional Horse Camp (Vermilion River) – Aug 2020 – No date for camp as of yet, Vermilion River has some dates in mind and will report back to the group.

Hosting districts were reminded that the budgets for these two events will need to be submitted at least a week prior to the April meeting.

12.0 District Reports (as circulated) – No further comments.

13.0 OLD BUSINESS:

13.01 Update on Archery Purchase – Terry Huculak – Terry reported that the equipment has been purchased and is waiting for her to pick up. She will then get it to Tracy Childs for the labels to be put on.

14.0 NEW BUSINESS

14.01 Regional Scholarships – Three scholarships were awarded:
Jessica Gauthier – Kitscoty 4-H Beef
Michaela Westergaard – Vermilion 4-H Sheep
Emily Elder – Vermilion Light Horse 4-H
Congratulations to our winners!

14.02 Winner of Membership Recruitment Contest -
1st place – Ardmore Wolves: School & 4- H club with 21 members
2nd place – Vegreville Multi – 14 members
3rd place – Hidden Creek Multi – 11 members

14.03 Elections – Terry Huculak on behalf of the nominating committee presented the nominations as follows:

President (2 year term) – Carmen King was nominated. After 3 calls for further nominations, Lyndon Mansell made a motion that nominations cease. Carmen King is our new President.

Vice President (2 year term) – Deanna Kryss was nominated. After 3 calls for further nominations, Lyndon Mansell made a motion that nominations cease. Deanna Kryss is our new Vice President.

Secretary (1 year term) Shannon McNalley was nominated. After 3 calls for further nominations, Jodi Dahlgren made a motion that nominations cease. Shannon McNalley is our new Secretary.

Casino Coordinator (2 year term) – Kirby Lapaschuk was nomination. After 3 calls for further nominations, Shauna Charron made a motion that nominations cease. Kirby Lapaschuk is our new Casino Coordinator.

Award of Distinction Committee – 1 member (1 year term) – Kaylee Kryss was nominated. After 3 calls for nominations, Shannon McNalley made a motion that nominations cease. Kaylee Kryss is the new member of the

Award of Distinction committee.

4-H Council Rep (3 year term) – Lyndon Mansell was nominated for a second term. After 3 calls for nominations, Shauna Charron made a motion that nominations cease. Lyndon Mansell is our 4-H Council rep for another term.

BAC – 1 member (1 year term) – Chelsa Noble was nominated. After 3 calls for further nominations, Lyndon Mansell made a motion that nominations cease. Chelsa Noble is the new member for BAC. The reps will be Andrew Yaremko and Chelsa Noble.

PEAC – 1 member (1 year term) – There were no nominations. Michele George from Wood Buffalo volunteered to take on the membership as an alternate for PEAC (Vicki McMillan is the other rep)

SHAC – 1 member (1 year term) – Megan Kryz volunteered as a member of SHAC. Shelly Ann will confirm if the Terms of Reference allow for 4-H members to be part of provincial councils.

SALTT – 1 member (1 year term) – Colette McBride was nominated. After 3 calls for further nomination, Jodi Dahlgren made a motion that nominations cease. Colette McBride is the new member and Shauna Charron is the other rep.

Promotions – Gabrielle Cheremshynski and her family volunteered to take this on.

Signing Authority – Jodi Dahlgren made a motion that our new Executive are given signing authority - President (Carmen King) Secretary (Shannon McNalley) and Treasurer (Shauna Charron) and that the old Executive be removed – President (Colette McBride) and Secretary (Rhea Dechaine). Crystal Dechaine seconded the motion. All in favor, Carried.

Colette McBride then presented thank you gifts to Rhea Dechaine for her service as Secretary and to Terry Huculak for her many years of service as President. Terry Huculak then presented Colette McBride with a thank you gift for her term as President.

- 14.04 Jodi Dahlgren raised the issue of fees for members in more than one club. It is unclear whether members pay the regional and district fees once, or for each club. Historically the fees have been per member per club. Shannon McNalley made a motion that the fees are paid per member per club. Seconded by Sheri Janz. All in favor, Carried.
- 14.05 Cookbooks – Shannon McNalley provided a look at the new 4-H Alberta cookbooks, all 4 have been re-formatted and re-printed and available as a fundraiser. Books can be ordered from the 4-H Alberta Store @ 780-682-2648 or 4habstore@4hab.com and sold by clubs or districts. Thanks to Shannon for bringing this forward.

- 14.06 Jodi Dahlgren reported that, as a result of the investigation into the Parade accident last summer, all clubs reminded that, if Cleavers are involved in any sort of event, there MUST be a Cleaver Leader present. The ratio is 1 Cleaver leader per 5 Cleaver kids. Cleaver leaders must be dedicated to the Cleaver program, i.e.: cannot be a Beef Leader and a Cleaver Leader.
- 14.06 Commit to Kids training – Lyndon asked how many have completed this training and reminded everyone that it must be done and everyone was encouraged to complete this by June, 2020.
- 14.07 Selections – Shelly Ann reminded everyone that Seniors need to get their diaries in for Selections. Senior members are exempt from highway cleanup if they are attending Selections. Registration deadline is March 1st.

15.0ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 16, 2020 in Vermilion

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