

Bayfield County 4-H Leaders Association
Executive Meeting
Monday, February 19, 2024, 6:30pm
Eileen Town Hall

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm by Caloney Mesik.
- II. Pledges
- III. Roll Call: President Caloney Mesik-Pine Creek, Vice President Cindy Luzzatto-Gitchee Gumee, Treasurer Dede Maki-Friendly Valley, Secretary Maria Renz-Drummond Explorers, Extension office Kaylie Lukas, Ian Meeker, Jeannette Pop-Ino Valley, Glory Bizub-Ino Valley, Jake and Dana Benson-Friendly Valley, Rebecca Oboe-Ino valley, John Mesik-Pine Creek.
- IV. Secretary's Report - Maria Renz

Dede made a motion to approve January's minutes, seconded by John. Motion Carried
- V. Treasurer's Report- Dede reviewed the treasurer's report. There was no bank activity in December and January. The required signatures are now completed. The trip expenditures income is due, and most of the unpaid expenses are related to the fair. Three clubs' dues have been paid. Dede stated she has started using electronic checking through the bank. The CDs have not been touched.

John made a motion to approve the treasurer's report presented by Dede, seconded by Cindy. Motion Carried

An email will be sent to Sarah and Nick regarding a payment plan from Ian.
- VI. Club Updates:
 - a. Pine Creek- planning a project meeting for this upcoming meeting then sitting down to plan the rest of year.
 - b. Gitchee Gumee- Cindy reports that in January they handed out paperwork for record books and went over them, then did fun activities. Sledding party did not happen. The February meeting was Valentine's cards for older people in the community. Coordinating with spring break and Mojikka will be March 3rd at the IRCC or workshop on Hwy D in Oulu. Cindy will send out the poster.
 - c. Drummond Explorers – had a Zoom meeting in January, sledding party was canceled. Scheduling a nursing home visit soon.
 - d. Friendly Valley – small turn out for Stone soup service project for community. Group went to vet clinic, Lake View, today and learned about the different careers. Visit to Good Thyme in Washburn is coming up.
 - e. Ino Valley – ceramics break. Cookies for homemaker's gift basket for neighbors and shut ins. Taking a Tetzner's Dairy tour in March.

- f. Canski – hasn't been able to ski much. Kiki Randall is coming to ski with the kids at Mt. Ashwabay base. Glory asked for more information about Canski. Ian explains there are rentals in Ashland and Washburn, open to everyone.
- g. Equine Council scheduled for Feb. 27th. Cindy will work with Crystal on setting dates.

VII. Office Updates

- a. Kaylie stated that she needs club updates for a booklet on 4-H from Drummond Explorers, Gitchee Gumees, and Whispering Pines. They finalized the clothing and foods revue, May 4th at the IRCC with Gitchee Gumees hosting and Katie Turra heading it up. Kids can still sign up for the food and nutrition project or clothing projects. Cultural Arts Festival forms went out as well. Drummond Explorers will handle lunch. Possibly have Friendly Valley do breakfast. Everyone agrees to open CAF to Ashland County. Currently we have Brian Maki and Sam Tuttle's applications for the Senior scholarships. Brooke Benson's mini grant project will be on March 16th for K-4th, at the Ashland library from 9:30-12, details coming out soon with sign ups tomorrow.

VIII. Old Business

- a. Dede shared that when kids are awarded trips through OMA, the state asks for payments quite in advance. Dede asked us to discuss the process of collecting payments. Pre-covid there was a better process. Post-covid the state had a bigger turnaround. The state has changed their timelines. We discussed adding a parent contract page to the OMA application for parents to sign stating they plan to pay half of the trip they applied for. We would also like to add a behavior statement to the contract. Kaylie will update the contract to send out for approval.

Cindy made a motion to send a deadline letter out 3 months from the trip, seconded by John. Motion Carried

- b. Fair Food Booth: Call Walmart for receipts to tie up 2023. Dana and Jake Benson to become the new food booth managers. Dede, Cindy, Maria, Pete, ask Pat and Emmer to be on the committee. Cindy will start on the cooler, talk to Pete about the ice cream. Committee will meet in March.
- c. Survey: Ian attended the Market Sale meeting. Instead of sending out a survey, do a check in with each of the clubs to determine how to proceed with analyzing the club dynamic.

IX. New Business

- a. Citizen Washington Focus payment was due and paid.
- b. Fair updated invoice: Leaders pass invoice has been updated. Caloney would like to see the leaders' names. We agreed for Dede to make the payment. The food booth invoice needs to be paid. \$50 paid initially, \$50 refund, pay \$250 for food booth.
- c. The next meeting is an executive board meeting on March 18th via zoom. The awards committee can meet beforehand to review scholarship applications and to discuss Sunday awards as well. The committee will include Cindy, Dede, Caloney, Dana, ask Kelli.

d. Brooke's letter requesting to attend the Summer academy instead of the American Spirit Trip.

Maria made a motion to approve the switch of Brooke's trip award from American Spirit to Summer Academy, seconded by Cindy. Motion Carried.

X. Dede made a motion to adjourn at 8:21pm, seconded by Cindy. Motion Carried

Next meeting date: March 18th at 6:30pm; Executive Board Meeting via Zoom

Minutes Submitted by Maria Renz