

Northwest 4-H Regional Council
Meeting
March 16, 2019 Villeneuve Hall

1. Call to order at 9:35
2. 4-H Pledge
3. House Keeping Rules
4. Introductions
5. Approval of the agenda – Addition - Business arising from the minutes d. communications. **Bertha Kasbohm has moved to approve the agenda. Corrine Verbeek seconded. CARRIED.**
6. Minutes from the last meeting – **Tracy DeZaeyer moved the minutes as presented. Ilse Van Loon seconded. CARRIED**
7. Reports
 - a. Executive Report –Leslie Majeau
 - i. Leslie thanked everyone for their support last regional meeting
 - ii. Night at the Oil Kings was a success
 - iii. Record books have all been marked and returned to the members
 - iv. Judging is coming up
 - v. Thanks to all volunteers that work on the committees
 - vi. Off-site storage for the regional assets – flags, flag stands, speakers, past records. We have looked around Barrhead to see what was available. Currently we have been told that we can still keep them in the office where they are now but have learned that we do not have any insurance to cover the replacement of any of these items. We will be researching costs for insurance. **Bertha Kasbohm made the motion that we get some insurance quotes. Sonja Shank seconded. CARRIED**
 - vii. We are looking for someone to do some research in regards to purchasing a speaker.
 - b. Treasurer’s Report – Sonja Shank
 - i. Current balance is \$72,454.45
 - ii. If we continue to keep a larger balance the executive may have to look at investing some money. Even though we have this balance we have to understand that the money is not all the Northwest region money some belongs to separate committees like focus, beef, horse.
 - iii. **Sonja Shank moved her treasurer report as presented. Krista Gagne seconded. CARRIED.**
 - iv. GIC balance is \$10,190.00 and has come up for renewal.
 - v. **Sonja Shank moved that we reinvest the original \$10,000.00 into a locked in 18 month GIC and move the \$190.00 into the general account. Kathleen Linder seconded.**
 - vi. Discussion – Should we split the \$10,000 into two \$5,000 investments one cashable and one locked in.
 - vii. **CARRIED**

- viii. When sending an e transfer make sure you note what the payment is for.
- c. Casino Treasurer report – Joanne Borle
 - i. Balance - \$22,646.23
 - ii. Raffle account - 508.23
 - iii. Casino has been moved up to the first quarter of 2020
 - iv. Joanne Borle moved her report as presented. Sue Starr seconded.**
CARRIED
 - v. Looking for someone to research
- d. Committee Reports:
 - i. Beef Committee – Jocelyn Toronchuk
 - 1. Beef Learning day was successful
 - 2. Focus planning is underway.
 - 3. Jocelyn Toronchuk moved the report as presented. Michelle Roy seconded CARRIED**
 - ii. Horse Committee – Sonja Shank
 - 1. Not a lot going on since the last meeting
 - 2. They want to add some members to the horse play committee
 - 3. Reviewing bylaws
 - 4. Planning focus
 - 5. Sonja Shank moved here report as presented. Kim Rochette seconded. CARRIED**
 - iii. Lifeskills Committee – Leona Petherbridge
 - 1. Planning regional fair April 23, 2019
 - 2. Focus on 4-H July – sessions have been submitted
 - 3. Wishing an everyone successful achievement day
 - 4. Leona Petherbridge moved her report as presented. Ainsley Shupack seconded. CARRIED**
 - iv. Judging Committee – Colleen Whittal Absent
 - 1. Regional judging is April 27 in Barrhead
 - 2. Registration has been going well.
 - 3. They had some sponsorship
 - v. Focus on 4-H – Tasha Erickson
 - 1. Planning is well underway
 - 2. Sponsorship is being secured and need about \$14,000.
 - 3. Registration has not opened yet as there were some issues but hopefully soon
 - 4. Some scheduling changes including a group orientation on Thursday night.
 - 5. Mascot competition will be offered again this year.
 - 6. Tasha Erickson moved her report as presented. Kim Rochette seconded. CARRIED**
 - vi. Scholarships – Bertha Kasbohm
 - 1. Scholarship selections have been completed.

2. All essays must be new materials not from previous year or copied from the internet.
 3. Members need to read the essay requirements.
 4. Not all scholarships were presented this year.
 5. You can only be awarded one scholarship
 6. **Bertha Kasbohm moved her report as presented. Danielle Andrashewski seconded. CARRIED**
- vii. Camps – Stacy report presented by Leslie Majeau
1. No northwest region summer junior camp this year. Camp Mac was not available for the week we wanted. Camp Nakamun was not available either. We approached Battle Lake with the option of busing but this wouldn't work either so unfortunately we have to cancel junior camp.
 2. We need to encourage members to attend Counsellor in Training as there is a provincial shortage.
 3. Cost of CIT is expensive for members, also that members that choose to counsel they often cannot get a summer job.
 4. Is there a possibility that Northwest Region can help fund the cost of CIT? At the provincial level there is discussion around all camps and around the cost of them. Provincial level is currently covering all cost but they are evaluating maybe what the regions should be contributing.
 5. Winter camp was a hit with 49 members. There was a couple of counsellors that didn't show up but Stacy was able to find replacements.
 6. If anyone know of any other camps available in the area, that may be available for the junior summer camp, please forward the information to Stacy.
 7. If there any suggestions on more ideas for the winter camp please forward to Stacy.
 8. **Bertha Kasbohm accepted the report as presented. Linda Huedepohl seconded. CARRIED.**
- viii. Policy Committee – Bertha Kasbohm
1. No one has provided any feedback surrounding policies so we are using the Alberta 4-H guidelines
 2. **Bertha Kasbohm moved the report as presented. Sue Starr seconded. CARRIED**
- ix. Grants/Fundraising – Sue Starr
1. No fundraising is planned right now
 2. There is a grant book available through the public library that has what is available for grants. Approach your local Ag. Societies as well.
 3. **Sue Starr moved her report as presented. Tasha Erickson seconded. CARRIED**

- x. Provincial Report – Kathleen Linder
 - 1. Nothing to report
 - xi. Section/Regional Report – Stacy Murray presented by Leslie Majeau
 - 1. Leaders conferences was a success
 - 2. Leaders conference 2020 will be hosted by the council. Northwest Region is now responsible for planning 2021
 - 3. Winter Camp has been booked for next year. Possibly looking to hold a two night camp for intermediates next year
 - 4. Meeting between section, council, regions, foundation to discuss camps roles, responsibilities, future plans.
 - 5. 2019 summer camp registration is open.
 - 6. New program for seniors Leaders in Training
 - 7. 2019 scholarships are available on line.
 - 8. Upcoming provincial programs
 - 9. 4-H leader opportunities – there will be survey looking for leader input on new leader opportunities
 - 10. Social media – There is a YouTube 4-H channel that has promotional videos and links
 - 11. Leadership summit highlights
 - 12. 4-H Canada website has lots of information and learning opportunities
 - 13. Thank you to everyone in the region for your support and help.
 - 14. Bertha Kasbohm moved the report as presented. Leona Petherbridge seconded. CARRIED**
 - xii. Foundation Report – Not available
 - xiii. Certificate from Insurance
 - 1. Expires April 1, 2019. Email Susanne Stone if you need a new one. This is required by clubs to have on site when holding Achievement Days.
8. Business Arising from the Minutes
- a. By-laws – Have been filed and we are waiting to hear back
 - b. Other Positions/Committees (election/volunteers)
 - i. New – Grants/Fundraising – good
 - ii. New – Public Relations/Promotions – Still need some volunteers
 - iii. New – Camp – Still need some volunteers adults or members
 - c. Leaders Conference 2021 – Stacy will be contacting the committee to see if they are still willing to sit with the change in year. If you would like to volunteer let Stacy know.
 - d. Communications
 - i. East half
 - 1. Was held in Legal at two locations with lunch and results combined
 - 2. 17/18 speakers, 12/18 presentations
 - 3. Started at 1:00 and completed at 5:00

4. Expense was within budget
 5. Meal cost was \$650 with only \$200 covered by region.
 6. Challenges: needed double the amount of committee members and volunteers, families have members in both competitions, one competitions ended earlier.
- ii. West half
 1. One venue
 2. Presentation and public speaking ran together.
 3. Started at 11:00 and ended at 5:00.
 4. Lunch cost about \$650 and feed 150 people with only \$200 covered by the region.
 5. Suggestions: it was a very long day, districts didn't have their district competitions until the week before so it was hard for the host committee to get the program set up and information that they need in advance.
 - iii. Overall comments – The binders that use to be passed around each year with the guidelines for public speaking and presentation planning did not go out. Is it possible to update this and make it available online ad more accessible?
 - iv. Public Speaking/Presentation Rules Update - The rules for public speaking and presentation need to be updated this year. There will be representatives from the provincial council and regional representatives. Stacy will be asking our key leaders for any input from the districts that need to be brought forward. If you have anything from club members and parents let you key leader know so they can forward the information.

9. New Business

- a. Program Plan 2019/2020
 - i. **Bertha Kasbohm moved that we stay in Villeneuve for the regional meetings. Laurie Maycher seconded. CARRIED**
 - ii. Budget – lunch at the regional meeting or events – Do we continue to look for an outside caterer or maybe open it up to clubs that would be willing to prepare and serve the meal as a fundraiser? Leslie will send out an email to all clubs asking if anyone would be interested for next year.
 - iii. **Bertha Kasbhom moved that we send out an email that we look for a 4-H club to cater our regional meetings. Kim Rochette seconded. CARRIED**
- b. Knowledge College
 - i. Is there a better date or better location?
 - ii. Yes continue with the event but move it to late October. We will send out an email regarding venue and topics
- c. Hall of Fame nomination – Bertha is working on it. If you have any names for 2021 to the regional meeting in November.

10. Edmonton Oil Kings Game – Oil Kings have made the playoffs and 4-H can get tickets at the group game discounts, for March 23 & 24, and be a participant in some of the extras.
11. Bertha Kasbohm moved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:45