

**Minutes of the Tripp County
4-H Leaders Meeting
Tripp County 4-H Center
January 24, 2023**

President Kim DeMers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Leaders Present with voting rights:

Nichi Brinda, Jean Clark, Marie Condon, Dawn Covey, Kim DeMers, Ross DeMers, Rhonda Gilchrist, Heather Heying, Scott Hollenbeck, Dana Kaup, Bonnie Rutten, Jill Sell, Connie Shippy, MJ Waters, Melissa Wonnenberg **Non-Voting Member:** Barb Watzel

Office Staff: Debbie Steinke & Jamie Wolf

Guests: Chloe & Ricki Briggs

The Pledge of Allegiance was let by Jean Clark and the 4-H Pledge was let by Heather Heying

Next Meeting: The next meeting was set for Tuesday, March 14th starting at 6:00 pm following a motion made by Jill Sell, seconded by Ross DeMers. Motion carried.

Conflict of Interest Disclosures: None

Paws for a Cause Fundraiser: Chloe Briggs reported on her & Clay Sells Community Service fundraiser.

REPORTS:

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the Tripp County 4-H Leaders Corporation meeting held on September 19, 2022, were sent out through email to be read prior to the meeting. Motion to approve minutes by Dawn Covey. Seconded by Nichi Brinda, motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Scott Hollenbeck presented a report as of January 23, 2023

Checking Acct: \$4,281.10

Premium Sale Acct: \$785.88

Improvement Savings Acct: \$551.06

Scholarship Savings Acct: \$2,468.55

CD: \$58,249.45

The Executive Board made the decision to combine the 3 CD's into one CD with a better interest rate. The gain was better than the penalties. One of the CD's was the Banner Fundraiser which was \$10,000.00

Endowment Fund: \$52,493.19 (1/24/2023) (\$2,370.35 available to spend)

Marie Condon made the motion to approve, Jill Sell 2nd. Motion Carried

Hunters Breakfast: Scott Hollenbeck reported that Saturday took in \$3,124.00 and Sunday took in \$2,272.00. Expenses were \$1,972.00 for a profit of \$3,423.00.

OLD BUSINESS:

SD State 4-H Leaders Regional Volunteer Training Event: Reminder to get registered for the training set for March 25th. Leaders will be reimbursed the \$15.00 registration fee by Corporation.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lock in and 4-H Fun Night: Melissa reported on the plans for the beginner group (8–12-year-olds). They will need \$250.00 for expenses. Rhonda Gilchrist made a motion to give them \$250.00 from the Leaders. MJ Waters 2nd. Motion Carried.

Debbie will bring 4 lbs. of taco meat, Bonnie will bring bars and Dawn will bring 2 cases of water.

Older 4-Her's Lock-In event will have a date sometime in June. They will need volunteers for the wood project.

YQCA Certificates: Debbie asked about the Leaders purchasing certificates, but this program may be replaced by the Youth Livestock Literacy Program so the matter was tabled until the March meeting.

Mid Dakota Fair Dates: August 1-5, 2023

MDF Theme: We voted on the theme for fair and "4-H Pride County Wide" was selected.

Fair Sign: New sign will cost \$610.00 – will check into a 4X25 to see if we can get one cheaper – closer to \$500.00

Fair Setup:

4-H Center – Wilson Wildcats prior to fair

Small Animal Barn – Jolly Mixers & Helping Hands prior to fair

Sheep/Swine/Goat Barn – Lariat Loopers & Border Bumpers (Tuesday of fair – 8-1-23)

Dairy Barn – New Adventures (Tuesday of fair 8-1-23)

Beef Barn & Garbage Cans from rodeo grounds and back– Hamill Hustlers & Clovervale (Tuesday of fair 8-1-23)

Best of Show Ribbons & Signs & Double Check BOS Results: MJ & Dana Wednesday morning of fair

BBQ Committee help: Donna Kubik will do this again with 2 helpers. Possibly get a Junior Leaders group together again and help. Barb Watzel offered to help Donna. Debbie will try to get one more.

T-Shirt Sponsor: Discussion was held about a business owner that had approached a leader about sponsoring T-shirts for all of the 4-H members. Discussion led to the conclusion that the possible sponsor would certainly be welcome to provide all members with t-shirts, but they will not be used in the show ring.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm by President, Kim DeMers

Respectfully submitted, Heather Heying – Secretary