

**Minutes of the Tripp County  
4-H Leaders Meeting  
Tripp County 4-H Center  
May 24, 2022**

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

**Leaders Present with voting rights:**

Nichi Brinda, Marie Condon, Dawn Covey, Kim DeMers, Brooke Fisher, Rhonda Gilchrist, Heather Heying, Holly Larson, Tim Pravecek, Nicole Roth, Bonnie Rutten, Jill Sell, Connie Shippy, MJ Waters, Barb Watzel, Amanda Willuweit, Melissa Wonnenberg

**Office Staff with Voting Rights:** Debbie Steinke

**Office Staff:** Ryan Sell, Summer Assistant

**Visitors:** Katie Welker, Laura Welker, Clay Sell, and Jack Anderson

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rhonda Gilchrist and the 4-H Pledge was led by Holly Larson

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting was set for Monday, Sept. 19, 2022, starting at 6:00 p.m. following a motion made by Nichi Brinda, seconded by Dawn Covey. Motion carried.

**Conflict of Interest Disclosures:** Rhonda Gilchrist, Jill Sell, and Connie Shippy reported a conflict of interest as their children submitted Project Enhancement Scholarship Applications that will be acted upon at the meeting.

**Labor Day Carnival Ticket Sales** – Chandra Phillips with the City of Winner provided information

**Project Enhancement Scholarship Applications:** Jack Anderson, Clay Sell, and Katie Welker gave Scholarship application presentations.

**REPORTS:**

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the Tripp County 4-H Leaders Corporation meeting held on March 22, 2022, were sent out by email to be read prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Jill Sell. Seconded by MJ Waters, motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurer Scott Hollenbeck sent a report with little change from the previous report. Marie Condon made the motion to approve, Tim Pravecek 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried

**New Building Report:** No new report. Bonnie Rutten indicated that the pens & gates will be here around July 1. The Sheep/Swine/Goat committee will discuss plans for a loading chute. Bonnie also indicated that the Building Committee is working on recognition of all the donors.

**Audit Report:** Dawn Covey read the Audit report of that was submitted by Audit Committee Chairperson, Dana Kaup. No action needed.

**Workshop Reports:** Four workshops have been held and all went well.

- Health workshop had about 15 kids and they got their projects started.
- Beef workshop had about 16-17 kids.
- Fishing workshop had a good turnout, and they may do another one in a couple of years.
- Plant Workshop also went well.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**990N:** Each club needs to have a responsible party call the IRS. There are still some clubs that need to complete this process. All must be completed by September 30, 2022

### **Mid Dakota Fair Activities Dates:**

- Went over the work assignments.
- Dawn Covey reported that the banner fund raiser letters going out this week.
- The Assmans are in charge of the vendor fair and indicated that they are working on this and have been contacting vendors.

**Thursday Concession stand:** Food trucks will be contacted to see if there is anyone interested in setting up at the fair for Thursday. This may also attract other people to the fair. Nichole Roth will contact them. Rhonda Gilchrist moved that Nichole be empowered to act on arrangements. Bonnie Rutten 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried

**Buggy Rides donation:** Dawn Covey made a motion that each of the parties providing buggy rides at the fair be given \$200. There are two parties providing buggy rides. Jill Sell 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.

**Round Robin:** Discussion on using safest equipment for both the exhibitors and the animals. Dawn Covey made the motion to add to the handbook that “All equipment used for the animals will be the same, safest equipment for each participant taking into consideration the safety of the contestant and the animal. The equipment used will be at the discretion of the exhibitor/animal owner of the species they are representing. Changing of equipment between contestants will not be allowed. Marie Condon 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried

**Summer Workshop money:** Dawn Covey moved to give \$750 for the Summer Workshops. Nichi Brinda 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried

**MDF Schedule:** Tim Pravecek moved to approve the schedule. Nichole Roth 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **Project Enhancement Scholarship Applications:**

- Jack Anderson, Rhonda Gilchrist, Clay Sell, Jill Sell, Ryan Sell, Connie Shippy, Katie Welker, and Laura Welker left the meeting due to conflict of interest.
- The following applications were considered:
  - National High School Trap Shoot (Katie Welker, Jack Anderson, Hunter Shippy): Brooke Fisher made the motion to give each of them \$300.00. Marie Condon 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bonnie Rutten made a motion to amend the amount to \$500.00 each. Amanda Willuweit 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion to amend did not carry. Original Motion Carried

- National 4-H Shooting Sports (Katie Welker, Clay Sell): Nichi Brinda made the motion to give each of them \$500.00. Dawn Covey 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.
- Teen Leadership Conference: Dawn made the motion to award \$175.00 to Brianna Gilchrist for TLC. Barb Watzel 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.
- Jack Anderson, Rhonda Gilchrist, Clay Sell, Jill Sell, Ryan Sell, Connie Shippy, Barb Watzel, Katie Welker, and Laura Welker re-joined the meeting.

**Swine Sorting Panels:** Dawn Covey made the motion to purchase two swine sorting panels and mark them with Tripp County 4-H Leaders. Melissa Wonnensburg 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.

**Horse Judging:** Heather Heying announced that she needs a few helpers. If someone can help, she asked them to please see her after the meeting.

**SD Regional Volunteer Training:** Rhonda Gilchrist announced that the state is planning a full day of volunteer training from 9 am to 2 pm. at various locations around the state. Rhonda Gilchrist and Donna Kubik will pick a date when this will be held in Winner.

**Labor Day Carnival Ticket Sales:** Discussion was held. There were no volunteers to spear head this project and therefore no action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm by President, Kim DeMers

Respectfully submitted, Heather Heying – Secretary