



Northwest Regional 4-H Council

General Meeting - By Zoom

November 20, 2021

(APPROVED on MARCH 19, 2022)

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1. Meeting called to order at 9:42 a.m.
 2. 4-H Pledge lead by Jocelyn T
 3. Introductions: We did not take the time for everyone to introduce themselves, as we knew we had reached quorum.
 4. Additions to the Agenda: Pam Gitzel
 - 9a. 1 – Camp committee
 - 9c. Change date to December 1, 2021
 - 9g. 3 – Change 2 judges to 3 judges

Approval of the Agenda: **BK moved to accept the agenda with additions as noted. Seconded by Steven d. Carried**

5. Minutes of the March 20, 2021 meeting were read.
 - 5a. Correction by LM name Kim R in horse report from March 20th minutes.
 - 5b. **BK moved to accept the minutes as presented with correction. Seconded by KR. Carried**
6. Treasurer's Report – Sonja S

General Account - \$101,987.47

Casino Account - \$21,674.04

Balance sheet and Income Statement attached

SS moved to accept the financial report as presented. Seconded by JR Carried

Bertha K thanked Sonja S for being Treasurer for the past 4 years.

7 Committee Reports:

- 7a. Executive Committee – Jocelyn T
 - executive meeting held on October 26, 2021, by zoom
 - recommendations from executive will be addressed during this meeting
 - we will be meeting to discuss our concerns with the draft of the bylaws and be putting our

suggestions forward to the Board

- bylaws do not include casinos
- report attached

JT moved the executive committee report as presented. LM Seconded. Carried

7b. Casino - Colleen P

- the annual casino report has been submitted by Sonja S and accepted
- next casino may not be until 2024 or later

7c. Beef – Jocelyn T

- beef meeting was held on November 3rd, 2021 with most districts in attendance
- record books were discussed
- Trisha F will be doing the template book
- report attached

JT moved the beef committee report as presented. DC seconded. Carried

7d. Horse – Leslie M

- horse committee meeting was held on October 17th, 2021
- working on marking guides for horse books
- horseplay is scheduled for March 19, 2022 at the Sturgeon Agriplex
- report attached

LM moved the horse committee report as presented. Seconded by KR. Carried

7e. Lifeskills – Leona P

- big thanks to Strathcona district for hosting the Regional Fair virtually, hopefully in person for 2022
- meeting will be held on November 26, 2021
- report attached

LP moved the Lifeskills committee report as presented. Seconded by Sd. Carried

7f. Judging – Colleen W

- multi-judging was held virtually in 2021, with 44 members participating
- date set for April 23 in 2022, hopefully in person
- need volunteers, also horses and dairy cattle for classes

- next meeting on December 8, 2021
- report attached

CW moved the Judging committee report as presented. Seconded by KD. Carried

7g. Focus – Tasha E

- Tasha at Horse Clinic in Onoway so Leslie M presented
- Focus will be in Barrhead on July 8 – 10, 2021
- needing some people to help on committee
- next meeting will be in January
- report attached

LM moved the report as submitted by TE. Seconded by LP. Carried

7h. Provincial Communications – Dorothy C

- no change in rules this year
- trying to adapt for a non-competitive stream also this year
- this is last year for Dorothy on the provincial communications committee

DC moved to accept her report as presented. Seconded by KR. Carried

7i. Camp – Ilse V

- worked with Leona P on the NW Region day camp
- need volunteers for camp committee
- working on winter camps – Juniors – January 29/30, 2022, and Intermediates – February 4/6
- biggest issue in how many counsellors needed per cabin

IV moved to accept the camp report as presented. Seconded by JR. Carried

7j. Provincial Board Report – Kathleen L

- Kathleen's term is only one year
- they are a governance board not an operational board
- working on policies and bylaws for 4-H Alberta
- directors have 1, 2, and 3 year terms, anyone in the region can apply

KL moved to adopt her report as presented. Seconded by BK Carried.

Bertha K questioned if Kathleen can be on the Board again when one year term is up?

If we have more people applying for the Board, the regional executive can choose their candidate from the applications.

7k. Regional Co-ordinator report – Pam Gitzel

- working on getting all clubs approved, so club supplies can be sent out
- need a contact list, constitution, budget, etc. for districts and clubs
- there is a NW facebook page
- report attached

Pam Gitzel moved to adopt her report as presented. Seconded by LM. Carried

Question from Kathleen L about paying fees for clubs on hiatus? No need to.

Leslie M questioned about user name and passwords not working, also new leader references not going through? Contact Bernadette Sereda in Leader Screening.

Old Business:

8a. Uncover the Leader in You has been cancelled, should we try for Knowledge College and Leader Learning Day? Discussion held if enough interest for Knowledge College in our region, we would be looking at a March/April date, also need suggestions/topics for this.

8b. Pam Gitzel reviewed the 2121-2022 Regional Program Plan.

- more info will be coming on the hockey game with the Oil Kings.

8c. Scholarships (1.) – Bertha K

- the committee met virtually and chose three - \$500.00 scholarship winners for NW region
- should we go back to previous years format of writing essays and give 2 for Safety and 2 for NW region on pledge/motto essay, cost would be \$2,200.00
- at the executive meeting we budgeted \$100.00 for admin fee not \$200.00
- scholarships were budgeted from the casino account and admin fee from the general account
- if we combined all four under one name would we only have one admin fee?
- \$2.00 per member will be collected for scholarships this year

CW moved we pay the extra \$100.00 admin fee from the general account for 2022 and let the scholarship committee decide which way scholarships will go and under what umbrella.

Seconded by CP. Carried

8d. Regional items to give away

- Leslie M helped make list, some items are gone already, the dishes, cutlery etc. will be going to Camp Nakamun
- other items will be used for record book and communication awards also this year

New Business:

9a. Northwest Regional Budget (2)

- Sonja S shared her screen and went over budget requests
- discussion was held on camp budget requests, question on Camp Nakamun's position on Covid vaccinations, an Loon with camps
- NW region has paid money from the casino account for facility rental already, what is the number of campers we need for camp to go ahead
- Lifeskills budget discussed, they have meeting on November 26, 2021. **CP made a motion that casino funds are not used to cover any money for Lifeskills fair until Lifeskills moves their funds to the Regional account. BK seconded. Vote was held on this motion.**

Opposed – 11, In favor – 18, motion is passed.

LM moved membership to approve budget as presented for 2021-2022. Seconded by BK. Carried

9b. Accounting Program:

- program has expired, has been paid by Sonja S for last couple months until meeting
- Sage subscription about \$15.00 per month, Quikbooks the same, new treasurer's decision which one to use

LM made a motion that the NW Region cover up to \$200.00 per year for an accounting program of treasurer's choice. Seconded by BK. Carried

Pam Gitzel commented that there maybe a group licensing premium for Quikbooks through the 4-H Alberta office.

9c. All club/district/regional documents due to Pam Gitzel by December 1, 2021

9d. Regional fees are to be paid to districts and then district will send to region. Bertha K questioned when do fees come up for change?

9e. The \$2.00 per NW Region member will determine what the region scholarships will be in the future.

9f. Fees are due by January 15th, 2022 or late fee of \$300.00.

9g. Public Speaking/Presentations

East half – Thorhild – March 5, 2022 – Waskatenau Community Hall

West half – Lac Ste. Anne – TBA

- each district provide 3 judges by January 15th

9h. Regional awards for record books (3 & 4)

- region will cover the cost of 15 – 1st place and 15 – 2nd place awards for record books broken down as follows:

Beef – 1st and 2nd in market steer and breeding heifer books in levels Jr., Int., and Sr. for a total of 12 awards

Lifeskills – 1st and 2nd in lifeskills and other animals in levels Jr., Int., and Sr. for a total of 12 awards

Horse – 1st and 2nd in horse in levels Jr., Int., and Sr. for a total of 6 awards

- Any other categories are the responsibility of the host committee

- Leslie M questioned if marking committee could do a 3rd place book and the district would cover the cost?

LM made a motion that the Region cover the costs of 15 – 1st place and 15 – 2nd place record book awards for horse, lifeskills and beef books. Seconded by LH. Carried

9i. Elections:

Vice President – 2 year term

- Colleen P nominated Trisha F, she declined.

- Colleen P nominated Steven d, he declined.

- Bertha Knominated Colleen P, she declined.

- Linda H volunteered for the position

- Bertha K moved to nominate Linda H Kathleen Ls econded.

- Leslie M moved nominations cease. Leona P seconded

Treasurer – 2 year term

- BK nominated Colleen W she accepted. Seconded by SS - L M moved nominations cease. Seconded by BK

Colleen W give thanks to Sonja S and Bertha K their 4 year terms that each has done.

LM moved to change the NW Regional general and casino accounts signing authority at

**ATB, to remove SS and BK, keep JT and add CW and LH with any 2 of 3 to sign. SS seconded.
Carried**

9j. Oil King game – February 21, 2022 – information to follow

9k. Leader Recognition Awards – will be coming, probably sent to Key Leaders.

General discussion: Fees for next year will be discussed at executive meeting and available for March meeting.

Lori K of Barrhed district brought up concerns with the Pluto platform for provincial fees, length of time for refunds and issues with email addresses. Pam Gitzel stated that clubs could still do cheques, to 4-H Alberta let Barb Riley know.

10. CP moved meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.