

Northeast Regional 4-H Council

Saturday, January 13, 2024

Hybrid Meeting

1:00 p.m.

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

- 1.0 Call to Order- at 1:07 by Jason B.
- 2.0 4-H Pledge- Was not completed
- 3.0 Use of ZOOM/Meeting Etiquette-Lead by Jason B.
- 3.0 Recognition of Voting Delegates/Review of Zoom Voting Procedure - Jason B. confirmed quorum was established with 19 voting delegates present. He also reviewed the procedure for voting by opposition.
- 4.0 Additions to Agenda-Jason B
- 5.0 Approval of Agenda- Jason B made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Georgia S seconded. No opposition, motion carried.
- 6.0 Minutes November 4, 2023 – Georgia S. (as circulated) Motion made by Georgia to approve minutes as circulated. Seconded by Hailey L No opposition, motion carried.
- 7.0 Correspondence - No Correspondence.
- 8.0 President’s Report – Jason Boorse (as circulated)
Jason B. highlighted his report and Carmen K was acknowledged as outgoing past-president and given thanks for her dedication and time.
- 9.0 Treasurer’s Report - Sandy Smith (as circulated)
 - 9.01 Audited Financial Statements - Review was deferred to the April meeting, pending completion of the final report.
 - 9.02 Appointment of Auditor for 2023/24 - Sandra S made a motion to appoint Leona B. as the financial auditor for 2023/24 Shelby D.seconded this motion. No opposition, motion carried. Shauna C. volunteered to be the second reviewer.
 - 9.03 Treasurer’s Report - Jason B assisted with review of the Treasurer’s

report as Sandra S wife was not working. Sandra S. noted that the total included the previous funds from the St. Paul light horse club, which are being held in trust. These funds must be kept separate and Sandy S. suggested that the funds be moved out of the General Savings Account and that this account be used for the funds held in trust. Carmen K added the GIC was the emergency fund in the past and the council may want to consider keeping this and putting it back into a GIC, as the funds were deposited into our general account when the investment matured recently. Sandra S motions to have her treasure report approved as presented. Casey Y seconded the motion. No opposition, motion carried.

9.04 GIC Investment As discussed above, there was an agreement to re-invest the GIC funds which were deposited into our general account when the GIC matured recently. Sandra S made a motion to move the money consisting of \$10,966.43 from the General savings account to a new GIC and transfer the \$2027.54 from the St. Paul Club into the General Saving account. Cindy L. seconded the motion. No opposition, motion carried.

- 10.0 4-H Alberta Report – Crystal Dechaine/Janice Wirsta (as circulated)
Crystal D. provided a reminder on what the district's responsibilities are and what committees are keeping everything in good standing making sure leaders are properly screened and correct documents for members and livestock districts deadline was december 1st. The deadline is Monday, please contact Crystal if you have any issues.

Janice W. reminded all of the regional gathering happening January 20th, all execs are invited. involving volunteer burnout and information. Janice announced her term is up and she is stepping off of the board in 2025, the regions will need to start looking for a new representative by this time next year. She also indicated that membership numbers are increasing.

11.0 Special Reports

11.01 NE Ambassadors- Next official meeting is January 18th Courtney W & Shelby D both presented their involvements with other clubs and activities. Cooper M was not in attendance.

11.02 Trip/Program Reports – Leaders/Members- need a chaperone for future trips, opportunities will be in the Scoop.

12.0 Regional Event Updates

12.01 Fall Fling- Courtney W gave a report -regional fall fling was held Nov 24-25 in St. Paul. There were 28 members with total expenses of \$1282. There was great feedback on the camp. Jason asked about the budget loss as it was 95 dollars over the \$200 approved. Courtney added the receipts were given to Crystal and there was previous conversation Carmen suggested because they were over 200 the district should decide if they will request reimbursement from the region and the council could also consider covering the additional overage. The district will discuss and bring to the April meeting.

CourtneyW made a movement to have her report approved as circulated. Jove Bseconded. No opposition, motion carried.

12.02 You be the Judge- Report given by Minburn District Alysson H . The event will be February 3rd and will be similar to past years. Budgeting on 40 members minimum. Donna asked a question regarding the 15 dollar parent fee for lunch and whether this will be on the registration form. 60 was last year's number, expecting 40.- Budget has a total expense of \$1200 dollars with a loss of 200 dollars compared to the year before. Aliyson makes a motion that the You Be the Judge budget be approved as presented. Cindy seconded. No opposition, motion carried.

12.03 Beef Learning Event- Jason B presented the report made by the Beef learning committee who was unable to attend. Budget was not included and will be approved through email circulation. Motion made by Jason B to have the itinerary approved as presented. Seconded by Sandra S. No opposition, motion carried.

12.04 Communications- Judy M unable to present. Jason B presented the itinerary as well as the budget. The event will be held in LacLa Biche March 23, 2024. Jason reminded all districts to allow 2 weeks to submit their info for the regional event. Jason B. made a motion to have the itinerary and budget approved as presented. Haley L seconded. No opposition, motion carried.

12.05 Spring Fling- Garret T from Wainwright presented and proposed a date change to April 5th-6th, event to be held at the Wainwright High School. Garret motioned to have the budget and itinerary approved as presented. Motion was seconded by Carmen K. No opposition, motion carried.

12.06 Seniors “Fling” - Senior Weekend Camp

Sandra S presented the revised dates of March 15 and 16, 2024 in Bonnyville and asked for an increase to the registration cost from \$50 to \$60 to help fund bowling. The budget had previously been approved. Sandra S made a motion to have the registration fee raised by \$10. Casey seconded. No opposition, motion carried.

12.07 NE Horse Sense-Yolanda presented that the horse committee had met and that they did not have a quorum in order to vote. The meeting date for the committee was moved to a further date. They are looking into sending a survey out to members to see what they want and are looking at possibly moving the dates for horse camp.

12.08 NE Regional Camp-Jason B presented the revised dates as July 30th-August 3rd for Intermediate. As well as August 4th-8th for junior camp Dates changed to accommodate Moose Lake. We are experiencing increased costs and may need to increase the registration fee from \$200 to \$225, which is still very low in comparison to other camps. Jason B motioned to accept the date changes and to increase the registration fee to \$225 for the 2024 camp. Alysson H. seconded. No opposition, motion carried. Jason suggested clubs remind members that local Ag Societies may assist with registration fees.

13.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS (as circulated):

13.01 Regional Beef Committee- Report was reviewed, Courtney and Garrett were both not in attendance so had nothing further to add. The policy review will be discussed at the next meeting.

Horse Committee- No report, quorum was not achieved at the last meeting. It was noted that Smokey Lake and Lamont are on the hosting rotation for horse camp. It was suggested that we recruit more members to the horse committee to help with issues around quorum. There has been some discussion around horse camp and possibly combining it with horse sense. Carmen will check with Crystal re: plans for horse camp and development of the survey.

SALTT - haven't yet met

SHAC - Committee has not been formed

13.02 Provincial Committees – BAC, PEAC, SALTT, SHAC - As circulated.

14.0 DISTRICT REPORTS- volleyball tournament (as circulated)

15.0 OLD BUSINESS

15.01 Scholarship Recipients and Thank you's (as circulated)

Jason B. read the thank you letters from the 6 recipients and asked that all clubs remind members that scholarship applications will be opening May 1st.

16.0 NEW BUSINESS

16.01 Membership Recruitment- There are several clubs that need documents and many clubs are not in good standing. Deferred to the next meeting.

16.02 NE Award of Distinction Policy - Jason B. discussed the need to provide recognition. There is a budget of \$250 but no guidelines as to the type of award/gift to be provided to recipients. This has been discussed by the executive and Jason has checked with the Awards committee. Council was asked for any suggestions. We will go back and honor past recipients as we have not recognized those since the pandemic. There were no suggestions from the council so it was decided that Jason will take this back to the executive for further discussion. Motion made by Jason B. that the executive will make a decision on a standard award going forward within the budget provided. Seconded by Joey. No opposition, motion carried

16.03 Bylaw Review- Jason B. discussed that the regional bylaws need to be reviewed and suggested a committee be made to review the bylaws. Jason B, Yolanda, Joey and Shauna C. volunteered for the new committee no questions

16.04

17.0 ELECTIONS

Vice President (2 year)- Carmen K., on behalf of the nominations

committee, nominated Ashley Bristow for Vice President. Carmen provided an introduction and Ashley introduced herself and accepted the nomination. There were 3 more calls made for any further nominations.

There were no further nominations and Ashley Bistrow is the successful candidate for vice president by acclamation.

18.0 ADJOURNMENT -Meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Next Meeting
April 13, 2024
Format/Venue to be Determined