

Peace Regional 4-H Council Winter Meeting Minutes

Saturday January 27th, 2024 @ 10 am

Friedenstal Hall and via zoom

- 1) Paul Franz Called the meeting to order at 10:07am
- 2) 4H Pledge
- 3) Introductions (Name, District, why do you enjoy being a part of 4-H)
- 4) Approval of Agenda – Nora Paulovich made the motion to approve the agenda as distributed via email, Liam Mason seconded the motion; approved – carried.
- 5) Minutes from the Nov.4th meeting, there was a verbal update from Paul Franz in regards to the cutlery, and then Sandy Richardson made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed via email for the November 4th, 2023 Regional meeting; Brandy DeSmet seconded the motion; approved – carried.
- 6) Business arising from the minutes
 - a. Storage Facility, and storing items at Camp Artaban – the storage facility next to Mr. Mikes in Grande Prairie has agreed to let us have a storage unit – donated! Codes will be issued as needed.
 - i. The gaga ball pit was discussed again, and Sally will approach the Camp Artaban about storing there, with Jeff, as long as we have a clear understanding on the custody, care and control of the pit and responsibility of it being stored there.
 - b. January 30th is Deadline to have Member forms completed on ORS – the club register needs to review by January 30th, 2024 to ensure members are completed and whom is not done. This could affect that member being in good standing.
 - i. There will be an email to the General Leader the last Wednesday of the month in regards to what members are still outstanding, and then another after the 30th of January in regards how to help get this corrected asap.
 - c. Archery Net – Waylon Kessler had talked to the Archery Group in Grande Prairie and they offered to allow us to borrow theirs for the Camp Artaban Summer camps, however would need to repair if damaged. Discussion and then a motion was put forward.
 - ii. Jackie Cuthbertson made a motion to purchase an archery net for regional use that would be at least 30 feet by 15 feet and handle up to 40 pound pull weight and up to \$900.00 in value. Sandy Richardson seconded this motion; approved and carried.
 - d. 1000 beef tags were ordered and have been received from Leader Productions. Every member in the region can get a free custom tag, and you can reach out to Kristen @ orders.ca@worldwideplanet.com
 - i. If received, would be great to on Facebook with them but as not a provincial sponsor, please ensure no Alberta 4-H Logo or Club Logo's (Yet)
 - e. Scholarship Criteria submitted – will have updates shortly, but everything submitted for the year

8) Correspondence

- a. Update from Regional Gathering held Jan.20th - -see attachment for the Town Hall Update but highlights include that in Canada, 4-H Alberta has the highest membership and growth. There are some 4-H council positions available and that they are still working on the strategic plan.
 - i. Activity Plan – 14 days prior to event required
 - ii. Incident Report – 24 hour after incident, allow cool down
 - iii. Financial Assistance plans still available
 - iv. Staples as a Sponsor has been great
 - v. Summer Programs Open February 1st, 2024
 - vi. Reference Manual – living document, updates finalized usually February 1st and September 1 annually

9) Treasurer's Report – Jenn Davis presented both reports, see attached

- a. Jenn Davis made a motion to accept the treasurer's reports as presented via email with agenda; Chelsie seconded the motion; approved and carried.

10) Committee Reports

- a. Casino as presented by Paul Franz – see attachments
- b. Provincial Beef Advisory Committee – as presented by Emma Lambert - see attachments
- c. Provincial Equine Advisory Committee – as presented by Jenn Krystal
 - i. Leader Forum updates
 - ii. May 13, 2024 is the next meeting
 - ii. Elections coming up – president, long term stepping down
- d. Provincial Sheep Advisory Committee – as presented by Brandy Desmet - see attachments
- e. SALLT Advisory Committee – as submitted by Stuart
 - i. Leaders working on fall programs
 - ii. Working on some SALLT weekend programs for members
 - iii. Science Days set in Edmonton and Calgary for April 13th, 2024 – registration opened the 8th of January
 - iv. Looking to increase Committee size, will email out to the leaders
- f. Provincial Communications Committee – as presented by Cathy Botten
 - i. New Power Point to be sent to judges as part of the package
 - ii. Clubs – ensure review of all rules and guidelines
 - iii. Quote and references sheets a must
 - iv. SPEAK EASY – see attachment – will be used at provincial and regional levels – then hoping District – tech program to assist in the set up and organization of the event

- g. Peace Chronicle Committee – as presented by Cathy Botten – see attachment – coming to your clubs soon! Marisa was also asked to send it out digitally after for those that do not get to see club communication.
- h. Ambassador Report – as presented by Waylon Kessler
 - i. Last meeting was January 18th, 2024
 - ii. Using social media, check out their Instagram and email
- a. Peace.ambassadors@hab.com
- b. P.ambassador - instagram
- i. Peace Region Area Coordinator – as presented by Maria Mellon the Area Coordinator
 - i. All clubs are registers and approved in the Region – first in Alberta
 - ii. 4-H Alberta looking at a 6 week project as intro to 4-H
 - iii. new activity plans means you can save work and go back into it and update it
- j. Peace Region Board Director – as presented by Nora Paulovich – see attachment
- k. Seniors Event – as present by Waylon Kessler and Cathy Botten
 - i. December 10th, 2023 – at the Bowling Stones in GP – 9 members attended
 - ii. 2 Alumni came in and discussed life with 4-H and how it assisted after – with scholarships, awards, trips, selections
 - iii. Next one with be for Scholarships – but looking at moving around the region more, a request from Marisa to see what district senior numbers are – she will pull
- l. Camp Artaban – Sally Barkwell sent presentation – see attachments

11) New Business

- a. Purchase of 4-H shed (Originally paid \$3600.00 for it 4 years ago)
 - i. Sandy Richardson made a motion that Paul has first option to buy the shed for \$3000.00 and if he declines it will go up for tender; Jackie Cuthbertson seconded the motion; approved and carried.
 - ii. Paul Franz stated he would purchase the shed
- b. Winter Camp 2024 Update and budget – Winter Camp is FULL, registration is closed
 - i. 52 members registered @ \$75.00 each
 - ii. Hines Creek Memorial Centre – YLead assisting
- c. Regional Rally 2024 Update and budget – discussion on budget, as final numbers not in yet, however know the bumped up budget expense of \$7500 from fall meeting not enough as the rental alone is \$4900.00 for Teepee Creek
 - i. Discussion on pricing for the weekend per member, per family member for dance/dinner – looking at 75 per member, 20 per attending family, under 6 free and camping is 25
 - ii. Buckles and ribbon – buckles in final mark ups – between Jan sale and Feb pricing different

- iii. Ribbons requests for quotes not received back yet (2 months) there are ribbons in 4-H Shed at Paul's
 - iv. Sponsorship Letters being finalized, looking to have the cost recovery amount at the April 1st date at the latest
 - v. Discussion with Jenn and Paul about what we can use the casino money for if we increase budget – cannot be used for the supper or dance but can for the facility rental
 - vi. Sandy Richardson made a motion to increase the budget to \$15,000 this year for the size/scope of the event; Elizabeth Caulder seconded the motion; approved and carried.
- d. Discussion about districts – as per the Hiatus letter that was sent out to District Reps and Leaders
 - i. Will be up to each district, but if goes on hiatus then each club within that area will need to send one adult and member as the regional rep – and sit on the committees as well
 - ii. Discussion of how events would work like Communications for the Region
 - iii. Ongoing and open discussions
 - e. Exe. Positions up for election in April at the AGM- Chairperson, Vice chair, Treasurer
 - f. Bursaries change from mail in to email to avoid postal issues (to be changed at April AGM)

12) District Reports

- a. Grande Prairie – Presented by Waylon Kessler – see attached
- b. Central Peace – Marisa Read for them – see attached
- c. Valleyview – never received report
- d. East Peace – as presented by Laim Mason – see attached
- e. North Peace – never received report

13) Up - coming 4-H Programs in the Peace

- ➔ February 16-18th - Winter Camp (Hines Creek)
- ➔ March 23rd (Central Peace) - Regional Communications – need more judges, all names were put forth and given at the meeting for the final names 😊
 - 1. Rycroft Ag Centre 10:00am
- ➔ Apr 6th - Provincial Communications - Olds
- ➔ April 6th Regional Meeting – Friedenstal Hall – AGM

➔ Regional Rally- April 26-28th at Teepee Creek

13) Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm

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