

## **Imperial County 4H Leaders Council**

Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2015

Meeting was called to order by Margo Sanchez at 6:05 pm at the Farm Bureau in El Centro. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Jacob Sanchez and the 4H Pledge led by Stephen Johnson. Roll call was conducted by sign in. A quorum was established.

The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the minutes as recorded. The motion was seconded and carried.

There were two Thank You notes sent to the Leaders Council from John Pacheco from Verde 4H. He was selected as a member of the Cal Focus group.

### **Special Guest**

The TIC Delegates presented an X-Men skit using the 4H Pledge. The theme of the conference was "Finding the Power Within". After the skit, each member introduced themselves and said what their favorite part of the conference was.

The delegates asked the Leaders Council to consider putting the conference in the budget for the future.

Linda Sanchez was the adult chaperone for the conference. She said Imperial had the largest number of teens at the conference.

### **Old Business**

All Star Report: Carlos Lopez gave an update regarding the activities of the All Stars since the first of the year. The All Stars did an ice breaker presentation at the TIC Conference. They also attended the No Go/ No Show Training and the Small and Large Animal Pre- Fair. Carlos and Bryanne Sanchez attended a dinner in Holtville for the Carrot Festival. Bryanne will be attending the National 4H Conference as a delegate.

Fair On-line Entries: The deadline for entries was February 1st. No entries can be made now; only corrected.

Small Animal Pre-fair - Star Route: The pre-fair was well attended with 104 participants this year. The pre-fair helps kids prepare for showmanship at the fair.

Large Animal Pre-fair - Southwest Valley & Holtville: There were about 50 participants; lots of lambs and goats.

Plant Show - Star Route: The plant show had 25 entries this year.

Fair Passes: Entrance and parking passes are available for purchase on-line through March 18th.

## **New Business**

Record Book Committee needed - Terri Sullivan: Terri needs two more people to help update the officer book guidelines and scoring sheets. You can call or text her at (760) 960-8492 to schedule a meeting early to mid March. It shouldn't required more than a few meetings.

Still Exhibits: Volunteers are still needed to help set up the still exhibits. Receiving exhibits will be February 20th from 3:00 - 6:00 pm. Displaying exhibits will be February 23 - February 27th.

Cal Focus Fundraiser: Four members will be attending Cal Focus this year. They will have a booth at fair clean- up days on the 14th and the 21st to raise money for attending the conference.

Auction Help: More volunteers are needed as runners and spotters during the auction. There's usually enough help early, but after 8 pm it dwindles. It was suggested kids get a receipt before they leave the arena to prevent confusion for them after the auction.

There will not be a photographer this year.

Entry Proofs: Leaders should review members entries, hi-lite corrections and send them back to the fair.

Knowledge Bowl: The Knowledge Bowl will be held March 8th. There is a Knowledge Bowl Handbook on the website for the members to study. Belt buckles will be given to the winning Senior team and the winning Junior team.

Shanna needs an estimate by March 6th on how many teams will be competing.

Statewide Postal Shoot: The guidelines are on page 9 of the February Intercom. After you shoot, you mail the targets in. There is no traveling involved.

Presentation Day - Star Route & Dogwood: There are eight possible speakers so far. The location hasn't been decided yet. It may be at IVC this year.

Fair Clean-Up: Clean up will be at 8:00 am February 14th. 4H, Grange and FFA will all participate. The grounds will be divided into quads and everyone will be given an assignment. Bring gloves, shovels, rakes, push brooms, etc to help with the clean up. Pen assignments will be given later that morning.

## **4H Staff Report**

Still Exhibit Help Sheets: We need a lot of help with still exhibits.

Leaders Cards: There are several cards that still need to be given out. It's important to have them during the fair. New leader training is now available on-line with a power point, a video and a quiz. New leaders must score 90% or higher to pass.

Saturday, February 8th is the Carrot parade. Verde 4H is having a fund raiser booth for the Cal Focus group.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 pm. The motion was seconded and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanne Smith