# **Monterey County 4-H Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date**: July 21, 2015

Location: Monterey County Ag Office in Salinas

Time: Called to order at 7:03pm by Tim Lewis. Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H pledge led by Tim

Lewis.

## **Roll Call:**

President: vacant

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Tim Lewis (Greenfield)

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Trina Hearne (King City Rural)

Treasurer: Dana Guidotti (Mission) Secretary: Hana Ferguson (Buena Vista) Staff: Lorin Lurz, Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

#### **Club Representatives and guests**

Aromas: Jacque Palmer, KC Mullaney, Julaine Mullaney (youth) Buena Vista: Grant Cremers, Catherine Miller, Kelly Urquides

Chualar: James Roddy, Jon Sala, JoAnn Sullivan

Greenfield: Daisy Hernandez

Gonzales: Christina Kaupp, Mark Richardson King City Blue Ribbon: Darla Mantel, TJ Mantel

King City Rural: Trina Hearne

Lockwood: Erik Wilkins, Bret Wilkins (youth)

Mission: Claudia Guidotti, Rhonda Hurtado, Alyssa Hurtado (youth)

Natividad: Janet Wohlgemoth Royal Oaks: JoAnn Etchison

San Benancio: Emily Violini (youth), Scott Violini, Travis Violini (youth), Jennifer Wasson, Diane Vorwerck, Kristin Horton, Emma Horton, Larry Burk, Cole Burk (youth) Julia Bell

Spring: Trent Baldwin (youth), Stefanie Burgess, Alex Burgess (youth), Kelly Violini, Nicole

Hostert, Courtney Boyles

Guest: Devii Rao, San Benito Area Livestock and Natural Resources Advisor

**Additions/Corrections to Agenda:** Currently have no acting President, Tim Lewis is still 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President.

# Secretary's Minutes: Hana Ferguson

The secretary read a thank you letter from herself thanking the council for helping fund a training session at the American Camp Association conference in April on behalf of Monterey County 4-H Camp McCandless.

There was a motion to approve the minutes for June 2015. Vote and motion passed.

1<sup>st</sup>: Darla Mantel 2<sup>nd</sup>: KC Mullaney

Treasurer's Report: Dana Guidotti

Beginning Balance: \$15,329.51 Total Income: \$12,921.84 Total Expenses: \$9,173.86

Ending Available Balance: \$19,077.49

Morgan Stanley: \$55,749.11 Pacific Valley Bank: \$54,055.19

CD Total: \$109,804.30

Combined Total: \$128,881.79

Budget for previous fiscal year ending on June 30 was reviewed. With the lack of a full

Executive Board, the budget was not presented or approved for 2015-2016

**Guest Speaker**: Devii Rao introduced herself as the new Livestock and Natural Resources advisor with the San Benito county extension office. She is interested in being a program speaker with the 4-H clubs.

## **Youth Reports/Club Sharing:**

At the request of the vice president, clubs shared how they conduct their annual Officer training. From the conversations, most training is conducted at the beginning of the program year. Locations included at a club member's home, restaurants, or club meeting locations. Officers also meet throughout the year to discuss updates. Some include all officers and other do most of the required documents with their Executive Board.

## All Star report:

Catherine Miller introduced the new All Star, Bret Wilkins of Lockwood. Bret gave a brief bio on himself.

**CTA Report** Kelly Violini introduced the new County Teen Ambassadors and held an installation ceremony. They are: Julia Bell, Alex Burgess, Cole Burk, Emma Horton, Alyssa Hurtado, Violet Lurz & Julaine Mullaney

#### **Citizenship Washington Focus**

Delegates Emily Violini, Trent Baldwin, and Travis Violini shared highlights of their trip and encouraged clubs to promote California Focus and Washington Focus for their members to attend.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Incentives and Recognition:** KCR asked members if there were any special achievements that should be recognized. Dana Guidotti stated she had a member who was celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> year. Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty reminded everyone that volunteers can be submitted for recognition at a state level.

**Achievement Night/Achievement Night Dance:** Greenfield and San Benancio are still looking for a location for the events.

**Expansion and Review** (Spring and San Benancio): Families on any wait lists are being contacted for a meeting to be formed by the 4-H offices. Discussion came up about other areas

within the county starting their own clubs. Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty encouraged clubs to look into opening additional clubs if there is demand in their area.

**Council Food Booth** (Royal Oaks): Products need to be ordered and a building clean up needs to be arranged, planning is otherwise on track. Donations are appreciated.

**County Record Book Judging:** Lockwood discussed contest requirement updates. Books are due by August 10<sup>th</sup> with judging on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Judges to books must be at a judging 5:1 ratio or smaller.

**Fashion Revue**: Stacy Milanesa of Buena Vista was recognized for her hard work on the county Fashion Review. Although she was not present, Lorin Hofmann-Lurz showed a fabric covered bulletin board that was made for her.

**4-H Camp Program Report:** Camp Director Stefanie Burgess gave a report on camp. The new Tech agreement for members to reduce their use went well and the committee is still on the look-out for new camp locations.

**Calendar** The calendar in the agenda was recognized as the current calendar.

# Staff Reports: Lorin Lurz, Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

Enrollment is open as of July 1. All clubs are to begin using their paper enrollments with their members to gather accurate data. The deadline for all animal project is the second Friday in December. Year-End club documents were due July 21 through the secretary and treasure's books. Officers should review by-laws, animal contracts, club rules, project rules etc. over the summer with the help of the Club leaders . An paper outline for a Club Program Planning guide was shared.

4-H Uniforms have been updated through the state offices and a five year transition has been introduced.

The Emerald Star award is back, members are encouraged to work towards an Emerald Star as you do not need any stars to earn one.

The yearly Officer Advisor mixer was discussed and went well in giving needed information to both the adults and the officers.

Next volunteer orientation is at 5:30 on August 3, or 6:00 on August 24.

Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty introduced herself to new families and talked about the programs she offers as a Youth Development Advisor .

**Unfinished Business:** Dana Guidotti will hold the position as Treasurer for 2015-2016. The position of President is still vacant.

**New Business:** None.

#### **Adjournment:**

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48. Vote and motion passed.

1<sup>st</sup>: Rhonda Hurtado 2<sup>nd</sup>: KC Mullaney

# **Next Meeting:**

August 18, 2015 at 7:00 at Monterey County Ag Offices

Submitted by Hana Ferguson of Buena Vista 4-H