

## LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING

Saturday, October 4, 1997  
4-H Building on Fair Grounds

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:30 by Vice President Larry Cochran. Present were: Lopez Leaders Larry Cochran, Tammy Zengada and Barbara Ellis; Orcas Leaders Tracy Betcher, Barb Griffith and Alicia Miller; Shaw Leader Kathy Hopkins, and San Juan Leaders Bill Shanks, Milene Henley and Jill Bull. Also present were Tom Schultz and Sue Carnes and Council was later joined by Don Galt a guest presenter.

Barbara Ellis agreed to take notes to be typed by Sue Carnes.

Minutes for the June Meeting were read and also the proceedings from the meeting at the fair. The minutes were accepted with recommendation from Larry Cochran that there be no more meetings over issues other than award issues at the fair, for the sake of time.

Two recommendations for Leader honors were sent to Extension and on to State. These Leaders are to be honored at the banquet on Saturday night. They are: Lena Gosslin and Larry and Maradee Talbott.

### OLD BUSINESS

A Scholarship Committee was chosen for the Keys Fund to screen applicants and evaluate youth and leader applications for funds. It was noted that the terms would best be set at one and two year terms so that people could rotate in and out without loss of continuity. All islands were represented by: Kathy Hopkins, Jill Bull, Steven Downsworth, Alicia Miller, Barb Griffin, (Lopez Island TBA, and Sue Carnes would help coordinate communication.

Regarding Leader and Member of the Year awards County -wide, discussion centered around the difficulty of knowing youth on other islands. An interview process was mentioned, but it was felt that competition would further divide islands. The meaning of "award" could be lost if it became a contest. There was some enthusiasm over the idea of honoring leaders and members from each island in the 4-H building at the fair. The motion was made by Traci Betcher and seconded by Kathy Hopkins that each island would have their own Leader and Member of the year to be honored by trophy or as they saw fit. Names of the leaders with recommendations for them would be sent on to State Forum. The chosen Members and Leaders would be honored by a display at the fair. When put to the Council, the vote was a unanimous "yes".

### NEW BUSINESS

Tom Schultz introduced Don Galt to the Council. Don is a local Developer from San Juan Island. He presently owns a farm 3 miles from Friday Harbor off Beaverton Valley Road before the Egg Lake exit. Don is offering acreage for the use of 4-H. There is pasture, a barn with horse stalls and fencing, a small arena, lots of water and top soil and space for offices. Suggestions for use were: demonstration gardens, a possible equestrian center, a rodeo event site, a place for overnight horse camp or a major portion of developing trail systems. A plan would be needed to develop and use the farm for youth activities. Tom Schultz volunteered to work with Don, Pony Club, the Fair Board and other interested people to make such a plan which would address liability, usability and feasibility. Please contact the Extension office to be part of this committee. All the members present gave Don an ovation for his commitment to youth.

Larry read a letter from Cindi Mullis asking for reimbursement. Council agreed, and the Treasurer will pay this just bill.

A short discussion ensued about the Round Robin at the Fair. A motion was made, seconded and passed with no opposition, that "the equipment would be the same for all handlers of animals in competition in the Large and Small Animal Round Robin."

A motion was made, seconded and passed without opposition, that "Project Leaders would determine safety of an animal used in the Round Robin . If an animal is deemed unsafe, another animal will be substituted." This motion would apply in a situation where there was question about safety to spectators, officials or handlers.

The idea that could make the Round Robin more fun and interesting, was introduced by Milene H. The following Motion was made, seconded and passed without opposition: "If a 4-H animal is represented at the Fair, an animal of that kind shall be included in each level of the Round Robin."

The Election of Officers was noted to take place in the Spring so will occur at the next April Meeting.

The present plan for Record Book judging was discussed. The judging criteria forms seemed acceptable as long as leaders mention and make all aware of the point system that will apply. Special mention was made of the points given for exhibit information. This year's time schedule presented problems. A motion was made, seconded and passed without opposition that: "All islands are responsible for having record books entered at the Fair on time already judged as blue, red, white or rainbow. Judging of the blue ribbon books for Grand and Reserve of each level will be done by committee during the fair." Exhibitors may take their Books and ribbons home at the end of the Fair.

Calendar for Council Meetings will be as follows: There will be a meeting in October, January, April and July. The next meeting will be on the 24th of January at the Orcas Hotel and specific dates for the April meeting will be set then. The April meeting will be at the Lopez Firehall. The meeting in July will be at the San Juan Fairgrounds.

"Fair Issues" was tabled for the January Meeting because of the Ferry schedule.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted. A discussion ensued about Market Animals and the strategies to keep or rethink. It was decided to strictly enforce the order of sale as posted. The committee will decide the best placement for the Grand Champion and marketed eggs. It was noted that there was a learning opportunity for youth in understanding the deductions from checks and that a subject for a meeting might center on financial matters.

The meeting adjourned with a delegation going to the Galt farm with Tom and Don to see the sight and further understand the offer.

## LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING

June 24, 1997

The meeting was called to order by President Cindy Mullis.

Members present were: Pat Van Skyhawk, Milene Henley, Tom Schultz, Cindy Mullis, Delores /Foss, Valerie Yukluk, Tammy Pal, Linda Galespie, Barbara Griffin, Larry Talbot and Maridee Talbot.

Minutes were read and amended to state that a 5% shrink was eliminated for market animals as part of the Fair Sale proceedings. The minutes were accepted as amended.

Sue Carnes was introduced and welcomed as the new 4-H coordinator.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### The Keys Fund:

The committee had met and Cindy presented the recommendations for discussion.

The October meeting will be the time to select a scholarship committee for the Keys Award. No leader with children applying shall serve on that annual committee. The choice will be made by the committee with no name visible so that it might be as fair as possible.

If no one is eligible for the scholarship, it will not be awarded. This makes the possibility that two \$500. scholarships could be awarded to "second year or above higher education" applicants on the next year if they were eligible. It was decided that before a variance in the amount of \$500./yr. would occur, it will be brought before the full leaders council with the recommendation of the selection council to be considered. There was a motion by Milene that the money not be awarded to the same person twice. Milene will look into a way to make more money in interest for the money in the fund. The motion to accept the above recommendations was made by Milene and seconded by Tammy Pal.

#### Member/Leader of the year award and trophy:

Much debate centered on the Member of the Year Trophy and a motion was made by Milene, seconded by Tammy P. to eliminate the award as it stands. Any decision on the trophies was tabled til the October Meeting. Milene will call the office with the cost of the trophies. At the October meeting, these costs will be discussed.

Discussion followed about the traveling trophies. Larry T. suggested there be a committee to track down these awards. Sue will have to pursue this, as there needs to be time for repair and renewal.

The Durhak Award was discussed and the decision that the Keys Award would not purchase a trophy for this award was made. Maridee said she would ask Mrs. Durhak for more money for a trophy or what her suggestions were to support the award.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### Allocations for the State Fair:

Horses were discussed and it was decided to ask for two intermediate spots. Next

year, there will be more allocations needed.

Job Descriptions and information to back the applications included with the Newsletter were made available. 4-H Portable Challenge was mentioned and promise made that it would be explained to all at another meeting.

Clean-up for the fair was discussed. Milene said her Sheep Club cleaned barns on the Saturday before the Fair in August. Larry thought the week before the fair was too busy to promise to clean. Discussion seemed to favor a Saturday two weeks before the fair to clean the 4-H Building and grounds.

It was noted that there were some changes to the tentative fair schedule for 4-H. Awards would take place at 4:30 in the 4-H Arena. Tom and Sue asked for more bleachers for that event. It will be necessary to have the portable mike and more seating. The arena needs improvement.

The time frame for 4-H exhibits being open each night at the fair was discussed. Sue said she would talk with the Fair Board about the concern. Would Technology Exhibit be in the 4-H Building? The Technology Club spokesperson and leaders to be in the 4-H Building should contact Tracy Betcher and Delores Foss for booking space for their Club. Diversity seems in order in the 4-H Building.

Livestock does not need to be checked at the 5-7:00 time on Tuesday, except for the horses. The other livestock will be checked in the barns. Fleece needs to be here by 4:00 P.M. 4-H horse judging rules need to be followed.

Lenna and Tammy need to let us know if cats will be in the small animal round robin.

Herdsmanship Award at the fair was discussed. Larry thought there should be a form to follow and people unannounced to the members, would rove around filling in the forms each day. In this way, a more accurate determinatiOn could be made. Suggestions were made for people who could judge in this way.

People were also suggested to serve on the "Blue Ribbon" Project Book Committee. The Extension Office has names suggested for this committee and will try to make the ideas work out.

The meeting was adjourned with hopes that the fair would go smoothly, a reminder about "clean-up" and mention made to watch the newsletter for the best time. Please contact the Extension Office with concerns or ideas.

Minutes taken by Delores Foss

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*Since June 24, the Tentative San Juan County Fair Schedule has been changed so that the 4-H Award Ceremony will be in the Main Arena @ 6:00 on Saturday.*

**San Juan Leaders Council Meeting**  
**SJC Commissioners Hearing Room**  
**April 5 , 1997**  
**Minutes**

Present were: Jackie Driver, Milene Henley, Tom Schultz, Cindy Mullis, Karen Ghio, Larry Cochran, Don Burt, Lenna Gosselin, Susan Sanchez, Delores Foss, Linda Gillespie and Barbara Griffin

President Jackie Driver called the meeting to order

Prior to starting the meeting Karen Ghio discussed her plan to leave her current position as the 4-H Coordinator. Her last day will be April 18. She will miss all of you!

Minutes from February 8 1997 meeting were read. A clarification was made that Milene "suggested" to try classified advertising not "decided". Minutes were then approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Milene Henley reported that the council currently has a total balance of \$32,782.24. In individual reports, the market auction account suffered a loss of \$682.64. This was due to the council donating the expense of a market steer for a family who fell on hard times and could not afford to pay for the expense of the steer and for a steer that did not merit sale at the auction. As substitute steer was then purchased at the Marysville Auction as a replacement. A discussion then followed regarding setting standards for payment for market animals. It was also discussed that grade as well as weight be considered as standards for evaluating market animals. The market auction committee decided to look further into these issues. Milene also suggested that the 3% administration fee be raised to 5%. Milene then made a motion and it was seconded that this be changed for this year's fair. Motion passed. The new 5% will be posted in the fair book.

The balance on the leader's council fund by itself is \$217.75.

**Old Business:** It was decided that **leader re-imburement** was a dead issue until it can be decided by the council as a whole what the guidelines should be. Milene submitted a suggested outline as to how to distribute money generated by the **Keys Fund**. Milene went through the suggested budget by line item and also made the suggestion that we allow the fund to get to \$25,000 in order for it to generate \$1,250 a year in interest. It was suggested that a committee be put together to look into writing applications and setting dates and standards using Milene's budget as a guideline. A motion was then made and seconded that this said committee would be able to make independent decisions using the an approved budget regarding the use of the Keys Fund; the motion passed. A committee was then selected and has agreed to meet at a later date. Discussion was then opened up regarding adopting a set of **by-laws**. Cindy Mullis pointed out that several changes had been made to the original document. These changes were discussed and revisions were made. A motion was made and seconded that the revised guidelines be adopted. The motion passed.

**Elections:** President- Cindy Mullis

Vice President- Larry Cochran  
Secretary-Jackie Driver  
Treasurer- Milene Henley

**Financial guidelines from Lewis County-** not applicable to our budget needs

**Judges For the Fair/Superintendents-** It was discussed that we need a poultry, cat, horse and 4-H Building superintendent. Delores Foss volunteered to be the main 4-H Building superintendent. It was suggested that Tammy Zengota be contacted to ask about the cat position. It is believed that Jodi Luft has volunteered for the horse position and poultry is still open. Delores requested that a timeline and list of judges be forwarded to her. Lenna Gosselin (Dog Superintendent) is looking into selecting a judge and Milene suggested that a Pygmy Goat judge be selected for this year.

**Rules Concerning the Use of Illegal Drugs in Market Animals:** This was discussed at the last meeting. The new rule will appear in the Market Section of the fairbook.

**Market Auction Committee:** Just a reminder that it is time for all members of this committee to meet and discuss this year's auction.

**Challenge Program:** The new San Juan County 4-H Challenge Program was discussed and possible ideas about contacts in the community were brought up. All enrolled 4-H leaders will be contacted about the training dates in June.

**Record Book Contest:** It had been previously suggested that the costume contest be dropped and that the prizes solicited for this competition be awarded to the top winners in the record book competition.

**Other:** The fair schedule was distributed and a discussion followed regarding finding out what the horse schedule looks like so that we can make sure and not overlap on events. It was agreed that the Large Animal Round Robin be held in the main arena and that we secure a spot now for that event. It was also suggested that the awards ceremony not be shortened to 1 hour, but take a full 2 hours. It was also suggested that rows in the bleachers be set aside for 4-H members to sit. This would make the ceremony run smoothly and be easier for the trophies to be handed out.

Meeting was adjourned at 1PM. Minutes were taken by Karen Ghio

San Juan Leaders Council Meeting  
SJC Commissioners Hearing Room  
February 8, 1997  
Minutes

Present were: Jackie Driver, Milene Henley, Barbara Ellis, Cindy Mullis and Karen Ghio

President Jackie Driver called the meeting to order

Minutes from October 1996 meeting were not read because we did not have them

**Treasurers Report:** Milene Henley reported that the council currently has a total balance of \$32,782.24. In individual reports, the market auction account suffered a loss of \$682.64. This was due to the council donating the expense of a market steer for a family who fell on hard times and could not afford to pay for the expense of the steer.

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It was mentioned that \$172.78 was a lot spent out of the leader's council fund for advertising. This led to a discussion as to the effectiveness of display ads to market 4-H. It was decided to try using the classified advertising section of the local papers instead.

**Elections:** As there needs to be quorum of 5 to make decisions (as per the by laws of the council) elections were tabled until the April 5 meeting to be held on Lopez.

**Financial Guidelines from Lewis County:** It was felt that there needed to be more time to look over the guidelines. A copy will be sent out to all leaders to look at via the leader's newsletter that will be distributed in March. It was suggested that the Lewis County guidelines be broken down into smaller categories that would work for San Juan County. Karen offered to do this and then send the revised edition out in the newsletter so that all council members could see it and then make suggestions.

**Cenex opportunity for market projects:** Many thanks to Maradee Talbott for bringing this bit of information to the council. Cenex offers all market project members the chance to participate in their program. Milene Henley stated her concerns that the program was too restrictive and too expensive for it to be useful to our market project members. Information about the program is in the Extension Office.

**Rules concerning use of illegal drugs in market projects:** WSU has made an official rule concerning the use of illegal drugs (like ACE) in market animals. A copy of the rule will be printed in the fairbook; copies of contracts for all members participating in the market animal project to sign acknowledging the new rule were passed out.

**Superintendents:** 4-H will need a 4-H Horse Superintendent, and a Small Animal Superintendent. The fair board and the members present at this council meeting feel that having a 4-H superintendent and an open class superintendent for the following positions would be a good idea: Small animal to include, cats, dogs, poultry, rabbits,

and cavies. Large animal to include: sheep, cattle, goats, llamas, and swine. Horse superintendent and Home Economics Superintendent. This is only a suggestion at this stage, input from the rest of the council would be appreciated prior to making a final decision.

**Know Your Government Update:** Jackie Driver reported that she has 4 young people attending the conference this year. Her daughter was planning on attending, but was called to be a Page in Olympia during the time of the conference. Jackie expressed some disappointment at not having participants from other islands.

**Camp Cornet:** Camp cornet (4-H camp) is in financial distress and needs more participation from all Northwest Counties. We are hoping for a larger turnout from San Juan this year. Also, Karen is the marketing director, any ideas on how to advertise Camp Cornet? All suggestions are appreciated!

**Scholarships:** 4-H scholarship deadline is Feb. 28. We have more applicants for these general 4-H scholarships than we have had before.

**By Laws:** It was suggested by this group that the by-laws be adopted as they were written, omitting the requirement that all members pay \$5.00 a year in dues. Copies of the by laws will be sent out with the next newsletter, please be prepared to vote on the final copy in April.

**Other:** There was some discussion regarding the date change for this council meeting. It was suggested that Karen NOT change the date so that she could attend. Karen agreed not to do this in the future.

**Reminder:** The next council meeting will be held April 5 on Lopez Island.

Minutes were taken by Karen Ghio