

**Minutes of the Leaders' Council Summer Meeting
June 24,2000, outside meting, S.J. County Fairgrounds, 11:50-2:10**

The meeting was called to order by President Shelle Cropper at approximately noon. She responded to the need for a secretary publicized in the Agenda, saying it was her preference to serve in that way. Larry Cochran said he would assume a chairman's role for the Leaders' Council. There was a motion made by Barb Griffin, seconded by Steven Guilford to accept Shelle's resignation and to honor her willingness to be the Secretary, and also to charge Larry Cochran with the responsibilities of Chairman until the October meeting when traditionally officers are elected. Unanimous approval ensued.

The committees reported as follows:

Record Books Committee

Larry Cochran, Diana Cochran, Barb Griffin, Valerie Yukluk, Andy Schmidt and Becky Greenway

Although there had not been a committee meeting, the kits are on each island for leaders to use, and in the keeping of the committee members from that island. Larry sited the winter meeting at Shaw, saying Leaders' Council had recommended the following as "best practices for books"-especially those in contention for the championship awards.

From Minutes of Leaders Council on Feb. 12, 2000 on Shaw

It was decided to revisit the scoring with a new continuing check in system. This would mean that the **youth would get points for contracting and reviewing progress with the leader several times during the year**-(the Leader and member would initial the record book in the proper place at each review, not just as a beginning of the project exercise.) The whole emphasis is to make record keeping a workforce preparation skill. Workers need to keep records current and open to review all year at a job.

Larry said that record book score sheets had **not** been altered this year to reflect this recommendation, but he hoped sign-offs would occur at least twice in the course of the project year.

Discussion followed about the need to include current fair information in a completed book for each year. A motion was made, seconded and passed to require that **books be submitted to the leaders at least a week before the fair to be signed off as acceptable for the member to exhibit at the fair. Leaders will display the books at the Fair for the public to see. They would ideally accompany the exhibit. Youth can now add more information during and after the Fair to reflect their efforts during Fair time. At a time appropriate, the leaders will collect and score the totally finished books and submit a premium list to the Extension Office by September 1 to add points to the tally for each individual.** The time crunch is necessary in order to get checks out in a timely manner. High blue books would then be sent on to committee to choose Grand and Reserve. These awards will be presented at the Island Achievement Ceremonies in September or October. (The 4-H year ends in September- October begins recruitment for the new year.)

Scholarship Committee

Jody Schmidt, Helen Riggins, LeeAnne GrosJacques, Jean Marie Dickerson, Barb Griffin (chair), Alicia Miller, Diana Cochran and Delores Foss.

Applications are to be in the Extension Office by July 15, and the staff there will send complete packets to all the committee members for their perusal and deliberation. Hopefully, the choices will be made by fairtime, and the checks can be given as part of the ceremony on Saturday evening.

Livestock Committee

Don Burt, Tom Schultz and Larry Cochran all represented the Livestock committee at this meeting. The Premium Book contains the following information which is what was also represented at the meeting:

. **NEW-** All sales **not** paid in full at the time of sale will be assessed a 10% *Buyer's Premium* in order to encourage prompt payment. Only cash or checks can be accepted. All payments not made on the day of the sale are due within two weeks of the date of the sale. Purchaser shall designate how the purchase will be handled. All purchasers will be required to register and receive a bidders card before the auction.

Don Burt gave a report from the Judges and Show Management Training he recently attended in Pullman. The systems approach they were using, taught about the ideal market animals to satisfy today's consumer. Animals that are too fat or raised with stress, are not within this ideal. Don believes that the 4-H or FFA animals are not being raised or handled to meet this ideal. Since premium prices are paid for these animals, they should be tops. The point is, we need more education in how to proceed with the market animal project. He will be doing his best to make contacts and help us all grow in knowledge.

Shelle represented the horse clubs in the County with a request that Leaders' Council pay for or toward the ribbons given to the equine State Fair qualifiers. The Council discussed the fact that almost all Fair winners in the Intermediate and Senior Divisions might qualify for state. Even Jrs. can go to State with a 4-H in Action emphasis. The way to qualify is often a County interpretation of the State Guidelines. So, there are State qualifiers selected and going in the swine, sheep, rabbit, foods, and clothing projects and in public presentation and many more areas. Leaders' Council will help defray expenses if youth apply for help. However, the suggestion was made that sponsorship might be the best source of funding for qualifying ribbons specific to horse projects.

Larry spoke about the opportunities for State experience at the 4-H teen conference and the upcoming Forum. We are not attending many State events that are exciting and inspiring- State Fair is just one of these. A reminder that the State Forum is in Mount Vernon this year- best attended by youth and adult leaders (October 19-22, 2000.)

Flo McFarland, treasurer will be out of country this summer and Shelle Cropper has check writing privileges.

Herdsmanship will be more effective if the barn supervisors will display results daily. They should send someone to the 4-H building after point tally each day (after 7:00 to pick up results. An effort will be made to do a better reporting of the judging. We were reminded that the Herdsmanship Contest is about youth education of the public. Our 4-H members represent knowledge of their projects and are models of what we hope 4-H is about. They show the crowd ethical standards and good behavior as well as the ability to clean stalls. Please make an effort to inform the public and also the Judging Superintendent in the 4-H Building as to best times to speak with the youth and who is on duty. The premium book contains the scorecard. Scorecards for projects make a good display to educate the public about the judging. Herdsmanship in the 4-H Building is asked for youth that do not have animal projects. Please give as much time as possible to fundraising for bleachers, educating, and recruitment to 4-H.

Tom Schultz spoke again about the need for bleachers, showed drawings and said he and Sue Carnes would be writing a grant to ask for some funding. Letters of support were requested.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10. Since there was a horse show going on during this meeting, leaders staying continued to discuss the fair, the bleachers and the fairgrounds. All enjoyed watching our 4-H equine performances.

Treasurer's Report
10/31/00

Please find attached the following items:

1. Income and Expense Report detailing, by category, all General Fund account activity since 1/1/00.
2. Net worth Report
3. Itemized Report of income and expenditures since 1/1/00.

The account balance in the General Fund is as follows:

Dedicated funds, not yet spent:

Anonymous Trust for 4H members	\$1000.00
San Juan Foundation Mural fund	\$ 475.00
Key's Interest, budgeted items	
Active Youth	\$ 318.37
Key's Interest, not yet appropriated	\$ 157.53
Total:	\$1950.90
Discretionary funds, obligated but not yet spent	\$ 550.00 513.41
Account Balance	\$8711.17
Unappropriated funds	\$6210.27 6246.86

Respectfully submitted,



4H Leaders' Council Treasurer's Report

1/1/00 Through 10/31/00

Category Description	1/1/00- 10/31/00
INCOME	
General Income:	
Donations:	
Anonymous Member Support Trust	1,000.00
SJ Foundation - Mural	500.00
TOTAL Donations	<u>1,500.00</u>
Insurance	289.00
Interest Income:	
General Fund	132.84
TOTAL Interest Income	<u>132.84</u>
Keys Fund:	
Keys' interest	1,182.53
TOTAL Keys Fund	<u>1,182.53</u>
Knife Sales	233.75
TOTAL General Income	<u>3,338.12</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>3,338.12</u>
EXPENSES	
Auction Expense:	
Office Expense	21.45
Proceeds transfer	389.50
TOTAL Auction Expense	<u>410.95</u>
Awards:	
Pierre Franklin	250.00
TOTAL Awards	<u>250.00</u>
Donnation Expenditures:	
SJ Foundation - Mural	25.00
TOTAL Donnation Expenditures	<u>25.00</u>
General Expences:	
Insurance premiums	289.00
Office Expense	26.40
TOTAL General Expences	<u>315.40</u>
Keys Expenses:	
Keys Scholarship	500.00
Leader Support	125.00
Member Support	81.63
TOTAL Keys Expenses	<u>706.63</u>
Knife Purchases	97.05
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>1,805.03</u>
TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES	<u><u>1,533.09</u></u>

Net Worth Report

As of 11/14/00

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Acct	11/14/00 Balance
ASSETS	
Cash and Bank Accounts	
Durhack Award Fund	2,414.42
Keys Award Fund	24,475.32
Pierre Franklin Trust	3,113.35
SJC4H General Fund	8,698.25
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TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	38,701.34
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TOTAL ASSETS	38,701.34
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LIABILITIES	0.00
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OVERALL TOTAL	38,701.34
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4H Treasurer's Report: Itemized

1/1/00 Through 10/31/00

Cat/Sub	Date	Acct	Num	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
INCOME							
Genera...							
Donati...							
Anonymous Member Support Trust							
	8/24/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit		c	1,000.00
TOTAL Anonymous Member Support Trust							<u>1,000.00</u>
SJ Foundation - Mural							
	4/20/00	SJC4...	DEP	San Juan Co. Foundation	Tile Mural	c	500.00
TOTAL SJ Foundation - Mural							<u>500.00</u>
TOTAL Donations							<u>1,500.00</u>
Insurance							
	3/17/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit		c	150.00
	3/17/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit		c	16.00
	3/17/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit		c	60.00
	3/30/00	SJC4...	DEP	Island Insurance Checks		c	24.00
	4/20/00	SJC4...	DEP	Insurance Island Checks		c	39.00
TOTAL Insurance							<u>289.00</u>
Interest...							
General Fund							
	1/31/00	SJC4...		Interest		c	12.24
	2/29/00	SJC4...		Interest		c	11.71
	3/31/00	SJC4...		Interest		c	12.83
	4/28/00	SJC4...		Interest		c	12.74
	5/30/00	SJC4...		Interest		c	13.59
	6/30/00	SJC4...		Interest		c	13.10
	7/31/00	SJC4...		Interest		c	13.61
	8/31/00	SJC4...	DEP	Interest	August	c	14.00
	9/29/00	SJC4...		Interest	9/29		14.27
	10/31/00	SJC4...	DEP	Interest			14.75
TOTAL General Fund							<u>132.84</u>
TOTAL Interest Income							<u>132.84</u>
Keys F...							
Keys' interest							
	2/3/00	SJC4...	DE...	interest from Keys fund acct.	1/1 interest	c	103.51
	2/3/00	SJC4...	DE...	interest from Keys fund acct.	2/1interest	c	103.24
	3/17/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit	3/1 interest	c	96.57
	6/28/00	SJC4...	DEP	interest from Keys fund acct.	5/1 interest	c	131.30
	8/11/00	SJC4...	DEP	interest from Keys fund acct.	6/1 interest	c	131.30
	8/11/00	SJC4...	DEP	interest from Keys fund acct.	7/1 interest	c	127.06
	8/24/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit	8/1 interest	c	131.29
	9/11/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit	9/1 interest		131.30
	9/20/00	SJC4...	DEP	Deposit	4/1 interest		99.90
	10/5/00	SJC4...	DEP	interest from Keys fund acct.	10/5 interest		127.06
TOTAL Keys' interest							<u>1,182.53</u>
TOTAL Keys Fund							<u>1,182.53</u>
Knife Sales							
	8/24/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit		c	174.75

4H Treasurer's Report: Itemized

1/1/00 Through 10/31/00

Cat/Sub	Date	Acct	Num	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
	9/11/00	SJC4...	DE...	Deposit			59.00
TOTAL Knife Sales							<u>233.75</u>
TOTAL General Income							<u>3,338.12</u>
TOTAL INCOME							<u>3,338.12</u>
EXPENSES							
Auctio...							
Office Expense							
	8/9/00	SJC4...	351	US Postmaster	Stamps	c	-21.45
TOTAL Office Expense							<u>-21.45</u>
Proceeds transfer							
	8/14/00	SJC4...	353	Tom Schultz	Transfer Auction Profit	c	-389.50
TOTAL Proceeds transfer							<u>-389.50</u>
TOTAL Auction Expense							<u>-410.95</u>
Awards:							
Pierre Franklin							
	8/18/00	SJC4...	356	Sara Grace King		c	-250.00
TOTAL Pierre Franklin							<u>-250.00</u>
TOTAL Awards							<u>-250.00</u>
Donnat...							
SJ Foundation - Mural							
	5/5/00	SJC4...	345	Katie Schmidt	Mural drawing	c	-15.00
	5/5/00	SJC4...	346	Jenna and Nancy Schmidt	drawing	c	-5.00
	5/5/00	SJC4...	347	Sara Cochran	Mural drawing	c	-5.00
TOTAL SJ Foundation - Mural							<u>-25.00</u>
TOTAL Donnation Expenditures							<u>-25.00</u>
Genera...							
Insurance premiums							
	3/29/00	SJC4...	348	American Income Life Insurance		c	-289.00
	4/7/00	SJC4...	344	WA State 4H Advisory Board	Void already paid	c	0.00
TOTAL Insurance premiums							<u>-289.00</u>
Office Expense							
	5/17/00	SJC4...	349	US Postmaster	Stamps	c	-13.20
	8/9/00	SJC4...	352	US Postmaster	Office Stamps	c	-13.20
TOTAL Office Expense							<u>-26.40</u>
TOTAL General Expences							<u>-315.40</u>
Keys E...							
Keys Scholarship							
	8/18/00	SJC4...	354	Erica Lyons		c	-250.00
	8/18/00	SJC4...	355	Traci Mullis		c	-250.00
TOTAL Keys Scholarship							<u>-500.00</u>
Leader Support							
	6/2/00	SJC4...	350 ...	Washington State 4-H Foundation	Judges School	c	-125.00

4H Treasurer's Report: Itemized

1/1/00 Through 10/31/00

Cat/Sub	Date	Acct	Num	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
TOTAL Leader Support							<u>-125.00</u>
Member Support							
	8/24/00	SJC4...	357	San Juan Co. Trophy	Engraving	c	-44.21
	10/3/00	SJC4...	359	Sue Carnes	Ribbons		-24.50
	10/10/00	SJC4...	360	San Juan Trophy	Engraving(2X\$4.46)		-12.92
TOTAL Member Support							<u>-81.63</u>
TOTAL Keys Expenses							<u>-706.63</u>
Knife Purchases							
	9/9/00	SJC4...	358	RADA Mfg	Fair orders		-97.05
TOTAL Knife Purchases							<u>-97.05</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES							<u>-1,805.03</u>
TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES							<u><u>1,533.09</u></u>

4H Leaders' Council Budget Review 2000

Dedicated Funds:

	1999	2000		
	<u>Carry-over</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Carryovers</u>
Anonymous Trust for Members:	\$215.51	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
San Juan Foundation mural fund:	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$25.00	\$475.00
Keys	\$0.00	\$1,182.53		\$475.90
Scholarship (\$500)			\$500.00	\$0.00
Active youth (\$400)			\$81.63	\$318.37
Leader (\$100)			\$125.00	(\$25.00)
Durhack CD		\$91.95	\$100.00	(\$8.05) #
Pierre Franklin CD		\$118.57	\$250.00	(\$131.43) #

Discretionary Funds:

	2000			
	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Profit</u>	
Income:				
General Fund Interest	\$132.84		\$132.00	
Knife Sales	\$233.75	\$97.05	\$136.70	
Total Income:			<u>\$268.70</u>	
Expense:				
Office		\$26.40		
State Dues		\$45.00		
Pins*		\$550.00		
Total Expense:				\$621.40

Principal

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Profit</u>	
Principal (10/31/00)	\$8,711.17			
Dedicated funds	\$1,950.90			
Discretionary funds (unpaid bills)	\$550.00			
Funds Available	\$6,210.27			
\$5000 CD				
@5.59%		\$295.00		
@6.5%		\$325.00		
Income - Expense				(\$352.70) *

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Knife Sales Project
1/1/98 Through 10/31/00

Cat/Sub	Date	Num	Description	Memo	Clr	Amount
INCOME						
Genera...						
Knife Sales						
	8/23/99	DE...	Deposit - knife sales		R	498.00
	9/28/99	DE...	deposit	KNIVES	R	38.00
	11/1/99	DE...	deposit	KNIVES	R	36.00
	8/24/00	DE...	Deposit		c	174.75
	9/11/00	DE...	Deposit			59.00
TOTAL Knife Sales						<u>805.75</u>
TOTAL General Income						<u>805.75</u>
TOTAL INCOME						<u>805.75</u>
EXPENSES						
Knife Purchases						
	7/8/99	286	Rada Mfg. Co.	Fundraiser - Knives	R	-9.10
	7/19/99	284	Rada Mfg. Co.	Fundraiser - Knives	R	-344.80
	8/18/99	288	Tammy Pal	petty cash - knives	R	-100.00
	9/7/99	297	Rada Mfg. Co.	Fundraiser - Knives	R	-47.65
	9/9/00	358	RADA Mfg	Fair orders		-97.05
TOTAL Knife Purchases						<u>-598.60</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES						<u>-598.60</u>
TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSES						<u><u>207.15</u></u>

Handwritten Summary:

	<u>Sales</u>	<u>Purchases</u>	<u>Profit-Loss</u>
<u>1999</u>	572.00	598.60 453.90	= 118.10
<u>2000</u>	233.75	144.70	= 89.05
	<u>\$ 805.75</u>	<u>598.60</u>	= \$ 207.15

Minutes of the Leaders' Council Fall Meeting

November 18, 2000

The meeting was held at the Orcas Hotel on Orcas Island.

The meeting was attended by; Shelle Cropper, LeAnne GrosJacques, Don Burt, Flo McCalary-McFarland, Cindy Gauthier, Jennifer Travers, Mike Greenway, Becky Greenway, and Debbie Sandwith from San Juan Island, , Kathy Flowers, Debra Guilford, Steve Guilford, Barb Griffin, Nancy Schmidt and Karen Becker of Orcas Island, and Lisa Steinbruck, Dolores Foss and Larry Cochran of Lopez Island and Alice Hibbard and Kim Warren from the county extension office.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Cochran at 10:00 am. Flo presented the Treasurer's Report, added some congratulatory details (knife sales and efforts to advertise the livestock auction were very profitable) and asked about adopting an annual budget. The budget was tabled, and will be addressed at another meeting. There was some discussion about principle and interest of the various accounts and spending as related to the Pierre Franklin Award and the Durhack Award (both cash awards). Flo noted that the leader's council was dipping into the principle of each endowment to meet existing award amounts. Flo motioned to have these two awards based on the interest produced in them the previous year, starting in the year 2001. The motion was seconded and discussion proceeded. The motion was then amended, and the Pierre Franklin award was limited to \$75.00 and the Durhack Award was set at \$50.00. All extra interest generated by each award will go back into the purchase of the next years' C D, thus ensuring the continuation and potential growth of both awards. The amended motion was seconded and passed. Flo made another motion to take the \$5000.00 from leaders' council principle and invest it in the highest interest CD available. The motion was seconded and after a short discussion and clarification as to which account, the motion was unanimously passed.

DONATIONS, ENDOWMENTS AND THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

At this time, Alice told us she had meet with the San Juan County Grange and they had donated \$65.00 to teen youth (Larry instructed Shelle to send a thank-you card) for educational rposes. Alice also said that the Grange is interested in creating other support systems for 4-H youth. Alice would like

to train teens to raise money through individual donation (County Ambassador Project). Flo was instructed to track these funds (at such point as they come in) and dedicate them to county teens (described as grades 7-12).

An anonymous trust has given an endowment of \$1,000.00 per year (subject to change) to 4-H youth. The money has some specific requirements and directives attached to it in order to award it. Becky, Shelle and Flo volunteered and were appointed by Larry to make up a committee to design a request form and approve requests by youth who apply for money from this as yet unnamed fund to be used to attend 4-H educational activities. They will present the application and it's requirements at the next council meeting.

The Scholarship Committee would like to thank out outgoing Chairperson Barb Griffin and welcome Doloras Foss as the new Chair. There was some discussion about whether people are eligible to serve on the Leader's council and it's committees if they aren't leaders. This was not pursued and Larry requested that it be something to think about.

KNOWLEDGE BOWL, TROPHIES AND THE FAIR

Kim talked about her search for a Knowledge Bowl buzzer, and the possible availability of the Community Theatre buzzer. A motion was made to research having a Knowledge Bowl at the fair, the motion passed and Nancy Schmidt volunteered to follow up on researching this possibility. Flo is in the process of making an inventory of all awards (anyone want to help?) and would like to see keeper trophies given with all perpetual trophies and where there are only ribbons. So, if you know of anyone interested in sponsoring a trophy, let Flo know. Following the trophy discussion there was general acknowledgment that oral competitions are needed at fair and that there are lots of them available. We need to look into this.

Alice and Kim let us know that Blue Ribbon software has been purchased and will be in place at next year's fair to tally all 4-H points submitted by Superintendents of each area. They also let us know that January 31st, 2001 is the deadline for all Premium Book changes to be into the extension office. So, check your books and make those changes that drove you crazy last fair.

There was discussion about the fair and specific comments were directed to LeAnne, our liaison to the fair board. She will present such comments and requests to the fairboard.

Doloras asked if we would have the fair building next year; Alice and Kim said yes, based on information they received from Kristine Miller.

YEAR PINS FOR ALL!

Kim wondered if we wanted to continue buying year pins for all county 4-H youth. A motion that we should continue buying the pins was seconded and approved by unanimous vote. Another motion was made to buy leader's pins, this also was seconded and approved.

LEADER'S COUNCIL FUNDRAISERS

Discussion then began on the possibility of Leaders' Council Fundraisers. It was brought to the council's attention that the Rambler's of San Juan Island are willing (in fact, anxious) to share the Rambler's booth at the fair (if anyone is interested call Marlys Merna @ 378-5321). Jennifer volunteered and was appointed by Larry as Fund Raising Chairperson for Leaders' Council. Deloras volunteered to be in charge of knife sales, both offers received thanks from Flo and the rest of the leaders.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Market Animal Committee needs to meet (in fact, met on the ferry after the council meeting had adjourned).

The Record Book Committee needs to meet and present a plan to educate the county about expectations for record books. This committee consists of Larry and Diane Cochran, Barb Griffin, Valerie Yukluk, Andrea Schmidt, with Shelle Cropper and Nancy Schmidt joining as of 2001. Plus, Becky Greenway.

COUNCIL SCHEDULE FOR 2001

Kim and Alice presented a schedule of the 2001 Leader's Council meetings, with specific dates to be announced.

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- January 20TH, 2001 ~ host: Lopez Island
- March ~ host: Shaw Island
- June ~ host: San Juan Island
- November ~ host: Orcas Island
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A motion made to accept this schedule was seconded by Mike Greenway and passed unanimously.

ELECTIONS OF 2001 OFFICERS

The election of officers for next year was our final agenda item. The nominations were as follows:

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- Larry Cochran ~ President
- Becky Greenway ~ Vice-president
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Flo McAlary-McFarland ~ Treasurer
Shelle Cropper ~ Secretary

All the nominees accepted and each one received unanimous approval and a round of applause.

Larry adjourned the meeting at 12:25, as the ferry pulled up to the dock, and we all walked out into the sunshine satisfied with the meeting, it's subsequent discussions and resolutions. Thanks to all who came and an invitation to all leaders to attend the next meeting in January on Lopez Island.

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LEADERS' COUNCIL MINUTES

April 29, 11:45-2:30 at the Open Class Trailer, Fairgrounds, Friday Harbor

All Islands were again represented by the following Leaders and Extension Staff:
Lisa Steinbruck, Karin Becker, Helen Riggins, Andy Schmidt, Larry Cochran, Sally Hazel, Christine Miller, Tom Schultz and Sue Carnes.

The meeting opened with the usual request for a **secretary** and the reminder that one was needed.

Christine Miller is the Fair Administrator. She came representing the Fair Board, as she traditionally does, to inform and answer questions Leaders have about the upcoming Fair 2000. **Karin Becker** presented concerns about **camping charges for 4-H, horse trailer parking** and the drawings Ron Griffin had made of a **better, safer horse arena entrance**. Presently, the staging area does not appear to be safe for pedestrians or for horses and riders, especially when gaming. Christine accepted the drawings, saying she would review them with **Larry Talbott** who is the Fair Board President and aware of horse issues. Ron had sent word that the **Griffin Yard Works** could do the work with the help of volunteers. Christine reported that the Fair Board had already decided to wave camping fees for those 4-H families from other islands that come early to set up. Groups that come over on Sunday can camp together. There will be the RV \$15.00 usual hook-up fee, and a way to donate if water and power beyond the ordinary is used. **(see the enclosure in the May Newsletter of the agreement the Fairboard is offering)** Extension will coordinate with these families and the Fair so that they are discreetly excused by the fee collectors. Since there will be **wristbands as a Season Pass that identify 4-H youth and leaders** and all who will be there for exhibition, there needs to be a process of pre-registration. The Horse Superintendents will delegate and themselves **help direct trailers into the parking formation** that is safest and best. Other announcements about the Fair: Heat will be installed in the Main Building May 8. Brad's World Reptiles and a Logging Exhibit to be arranged by Dave Dysart will be featured. Hopefully, there will be PA speakers around the Fair. The Board willing, the old 4-H Building could remain standing through the Fair to house the electrical and PA systems and to store equipment. **4-H is offered the Poultry Barn**, which showcased the Marine Exhibit last year, as an exhibit hall. Leaders are encouraged to come to see its capabilities. It will provide solid backing for photography and other display space, including an outdoor covered court.

Minutes of the Winter Leaders Council Meeting on Shaw were read and accepted with the following clarifications as written in the Premium Book for 2000.:

Record Books are to be submitted to the Island Leaders **no later than Sunday, July 23**. Each book **will be judged** by Leaders for Premium Points. Leaders must bring **High Blue** books to the Extension Office no later than 3:00 PM on **August 7**, tagged, placed and ready for ribbons. Score sheets will be with these high Blue Ribbon Books. High Blue Ribbon Books, in each category, will be judged by a team to determine the Grand and Reserve books in each Division.. **They will be displayed in the 4-H Building with scoresheets fastened in them for all to see.**

The Scholarship Committee shall be constituted of two Leaders from each island as follows: **Barb Griffin (chair), Alicia Miller, Jody Schmidt, Helen Riggins, Lee Ann Grosjacques, Jean Marie Dickerson, Diana Cochran and Delores Foss.**

Tom Schultz spoke about the **bleacher situation at the 4-H Arena**. Bleachers should accommodate 250 people at the Auction. There is need for bleacher space for the 4-H Ceremony on Saturday evening when awards are announced. These events have been and will continue to be at the Main Arena until bleachers are in place. Tom proposed a 5 tier 15 foot long bleacher that is portable. This bleacher could be transported because it is light., and would seat 40 comfortably. Tom had drawings that showed three of these in the space between the 4-H Arena and the cattle barn. There could be two more bleachers in the space between the Arena and the Garage. Ownership of these bleachers would be with San Juan county 4-H but, they could be used by

organizations that would help pay for them. They would be in place at this Fair and theoretically, could be used by 4-H on other islands for Youth Shows as the weight (365lbs.) was not prohibitive. The cost of each unit delivered is: \$2100.00. Discussion followed about how to pay for these. Signs announcing **the new "Arena Fund"** could be at the Lopez Spring Show and at the Orcas shows. Shaw volunteered to announce the need and possibility to donate on their bulletin boards. Sue said she would call some possible benefactors. Tom had samples of **WSU Cougar Gold Cheese** to share. All raved about the taste. Since it is not made fast enough to meet demand, Tom would have to take responsibility for securing supplies. Our cost would be \$13.00 with a suggested donation cost of \$18.00. These tins could be a bonus for a \$50.00 donation to this fund. **4-H knives** could be sold again with all youth encouraged to sign up for a time to do it under parent Supervision. Lopez and Shaw were primarily responsible for selling last year as all the San Juan youth had barn duty times already. A reminder that this duty should be known before youth sign up for 4-H. **Sally Hazel** spoke representing the Rambler Booth. She hopes to share scheduling duties with **Tiar Black**. Time in this booth would bring in Club funds and also could bring in funds for Leaders' Council. Please call her to book the booth and with ideas. Help is needed. A Food Handler's License is needed by those working in this booth. If a propane stove is in place, afternoon work can be very profitable. The High School Senior Class will be contacted, also School Farm. Sally's number is 378-3477.

The **new PA system** to be used at the Demonstration Contest and for other events was again discussed. Extension paid \$1800.00 for this but Tom asked the Leader's council to pay \$600.00 toward a new microphone and the stand. This unit has a cordless mike to be used on a collar, and 2 separate channels for mikes. **Larry Cochran** entertained the motion to pay the asked for \$500.00 if indeed there were funds in the Treasury budgeted. Helen Riggins so moved and Andy Schmidt seconded the Motion. The Secretary, **Flo McFarland** would be contacted about this expenditure. Her Treasure Report seems to signify there is money available.

A reminder was given to all Leaders to check over the Premium Book looking for an update that reflected Club exhibits. **Premium Book changes must be in place by mid-May.**

The other agenda items could not be addressed because of the 2:30 ferry sailing. The next meeting will be very important. It will be in late June. Please call the Extension Office with notice of conflict or recommendations. Leader's Council Officers will set the date.

Minutes of the Winter Meeting of Leader's Council 2000
Shaw Island Community Center, February 12, 10:00-1:00

The meeting opened with 19 past and present Leaders and Extension present: **Helen Riggins** and **Andy Schmidt** of Shaw hosted the meeting; **Debbie** and **Steve Guilford**, **Barb** and **Ron Griffin** and **Nancy Schmidt** came from Orcas; **Larry Cochran**, **Delores Foss** and **Valerie Yukluk** came from Lopez; **Lee Anne GrosJacques**, **Becky** and **Mike Greenway**, **Debbie Sandwith**, **Flo McFarland** and **Shelle Cropper** represented San Juan. Also present were **Kim Warin** and **Sue Carnes** from the Extension Office and **Don Burt** representing Fair issues.

Larry Cochran opened the meeting at 10:05. The Minutes of the Fall Meeting were read silently and then accepted unanimously. Larry suggested that any helpers to 4-H be encouraged to sign on as Leaders. (Leaders can be Resource, Activity, Project, Service or Primary Club Leaders. They will all need to fill out enrollment forms.)

Old Business was addressed: **Flo McFarland** was voted into the Treasurer position with unanimous and enthusiastic applause. No one volunteered to be the Secretary and Larry tabled that to later in the meeting. Larry described the position of **Council President**. After several moments of silence, **Shelle Cropper** volunteered to be this President. Again, there was unanimous acceptance and applause all around.

Flo reminded us that insurance premiums were due. All Islands must send premiums for enrolled 4-H Members and Leaders in to **Leader's Council, c.o. Flo McFarland, P.O.Box 2091, Friday Harbor, 98250**. The amount is as follows. \$2.00 for each Leader and Member in horse 4-H and \$1.00 for each Leader/Member in other projects.

Another item centering around the Treasury duties was addressed. The Council voted to hire a **Secretary specifically for the Market Animal** procedures of clerking, collecting and receiving agreed upon funds. Further details are to be discussed at the April Meeting after the committee researches possibilities. The Committee Members are: **Don Burt, Tom Schultz, Larry Cochran, Milene Henley, Mike Greenway, and Guard Sundstrom**. Input from others are welcome.

The Concerns of Committees were discussed. The **Scholarship committee** consists of Leader's on all islands. **Barb Griffin** agreed to be the contact person or leader of this committee. Hopefully, most of the work can be done on the phone or with e-mail. The committee consists of **Jody Schmidt** and **Helen Riggins** of Shaw, **Lee Anne Gros Jacques** and **Jean Marie Dickerson** of San Juan, **Barb Griffin** and **Alicia Miller** of Orcas and _____ of Lopez. Members of the committee were aware of the request by Cara Johnson to apply for the Pierre Franklin Scholarship. The committee recommended to Leader's Council that Cara be allowed to apply based on the way she qualified for college-her Jr. and Senior years were simply absorbed into the Sophomore year. The Leader's council agreed and the committee will look at the applications and make a decision. The Council decided to make the deadline for applications the same for all the Scholarships- that is **May 1st** the applications will be available and the applications must be in to the Extension Office by **July 15**. This deadline is binding.

The Record Book Committee consists of **Larry Cochran, Barb Griffin, Diana Cochran, Valerie Yukluk, Andy Schmidt** and **Becky Greenway**. They had another committee of Leaders/former Leaders from each island that would assess the Blue Ribbon Books. They were and are, **Diana Clark** of San Juan, **Andy Schmidt** of Shaw, and **Virginia Palmer** of Lopez. Last

year the deadlines were the last weekend of July before the Fair for the books to be given to the Leaders by the kids. Leaders brought the books, tagged, placed and ready for ribbons-with placing sheet in them, (for the Grand Champion committee to judge,) by the beginning of the second week in August. This committee will set dates with Extension for the Fair 2000, and make recommendations at the April Meeting.

The project focused groups meeting presently, that have not formed into Clubs, but instead are **Special Interest groups** or **School Enrichment Groups** were discussed next. These groups (example=the Astro-Project=Astronomy) might wish to do an exhibition at the Fair. Leader's Council has ruled that an **acceptable** (to the Leader) **record book** has to be submitted on time, in order for the Club youth to get Premium Points. Council ruled that this applies to Projects also. The Leader will decide what is "acceptable." If a record book does not get enough points to be a white ribbon, a green ribbon (activity/participation ribbon) can be given which does not carry points for money for the book, but would qualify the project itself to be in competition for premium points.

A discussion ensued about the guidelines and scoring done by the blue ribbon committee. The concern raised was that the term "neat" was used for each part of the judging thus being redundant-especially since "overall neatness" was also a criteria for placement. A concern was raised that books are sometimes done at the **last minute** and therefore are not only **not accurate**-but dishonest and teach sloppy record keeping. Last minute record books would be better "not required" then done this way. It was decided to revisit the scoring with a new continuing check in system. This would mean that the **youth would get points for contracting and reviewing progress with the leader several times during the year**-(the Leader and member would initial the record book in the proper place at each review, not just as a beginning of the project exercise.) The whole emphasis is to make record keeping a workforce preparation skill. Workers need to keep records current and open to review all year at a job.

There was complaint and general agreement about the lack of training Leader's receive, especially around record keeping. Until more help happens at the Extension Office, it would seem that Leaders should find another leader to act as a mentor. **Older youth benefit and grow from training younger youth** and even leaders in the way to do a record book. Kim Warin and Andrea Schmidt both spoke to the use of **examples both good and bad** as the best way to train youth to do the best job they can. We need to collect some examples to share.

New Business began with a fruitful discussion about fundraising. The Council unanimously accepted the Whatcom County Guidelines for San Juan County Club Finances: Handling Club Funds; Fundraising, Ownership and Disbandment.. As fund raisers to increase Leader's Council coffers to be used for Scholarships etc., Council decided to market (at the Fair as a start) the knives sold last year, and Cougar Gold Cheese made by WSU. Details will need to be worked out and presentation made at the April Meeting.

Fair Business was as follows: First a short report (and picture available) was given about the new **PA System**. The Leader's Council had agreed to pay up to \$400.00 to Extension to help cover costs for a system that would be more then adequate for the Fair and other Extension Events. Tom chose a system in the \$1800.00 range that included 2 wireless microphones and inputs for up to 4 microphones or a C.D. player for music, etc. One speaker comes with it. The Extension Office will be asking for monies for another speaker to make acoustics better in an area setting. Tom had estimated that speaker would cost \$500.00

Council voted that a **job description for 4-H Superintendents** needs to be defined. The job carries the following duties: Responsibility to interpret the theme for the Barn or Area, (example- Blue Jeans and Island Dreams), some interaction with Extension about procuring a judge, educating the judge on the awards and the level of advancement of the youth, supplying the judge with all needed information to make a good fair decision, interacting with Leader's first to understand special considerations, being sure all the needs of the judge are met (passes and accommodations) and that they will be paid if applicable. Thank yous should be given out following the experience. Emphasis is always on the maximum educational experience for all.

So far, we have the The following **Superintendents for Fair 2000**. Leaders Council had recommended that the Superintendents be either active or past 4-H Leaders. Sometimes, an openclass superintendent will act as a 4-H Superintendent as well.

Milene Henley will be the Livestock Superintendent. **Don Burt** volunteered to be the 4-H Sheep Superintendent. **Becky Greenway** had a suggestion for a Swine Superintendent and said she would check into it. **Delores Foss** said she wanted freedom to take pictures this year, and hoped that **Ruthie Thompson Kline** would job share to help with display and with Judging posters. **Jody Fowler** will be an Open Class and 4-H Superintendent for Goats. The **4-H Horse Superintendent** will be decided upon by the horse leaders. They will also set up an Awards Committee. Leaders Council will accept their recommendation for Fair 2000.

There was a brief discussion about the **4-H Building**. There is a bid of \$36000 to raise the building, put in a subfloor, demolish the interior and bolster the walls that are presently of a ribbon construction. Comments made were: –“maybe a pole building would be smarter” and “the walls need to be made, in part, of a substance that allows posters to be affixed with pins and nails that do not leave marks when extracted.” The Leaders are encouraged to give input to the Fairboard (talk to a Fairboard Member, leave a message or talk with Christine Miller at 378-4310)

Council reaffirmed the need for a **Mediation Committee**. These three people would be available during Fairtime to help solve uncompromising situations in a timely manner. The idea is to keep and promote congeniality between Leaders, Islands, Extension, Fairboard, workers and youth. Only 4-H issues would be brought to them. Last year's committee was: **Alicia Miller, Larry Cochran and Loti Wilding**. Council can decide to ask these individuals, or others at the April meeting.

The need to deal with certified or qualified judges was addressed. **Don Burt** announced that he would attend the Pacific Northwest Livestock Judges and Show Management School in Pullman, June 15-17, a cooperative offering of the University of Idaho, Oregon State and Washington State. The Registration fees are \$185.00. The Council voted unanimously to pay this by check to the Registrar, and to reimburse Don when he submits receipts for mileage. In support of the generosity, Don was asked to give back leadership to 4-H promoting the emphasis of the training: **“Enhancing the youth livestock show as an educational event.”**

Other subjects on the Agenda were not addressed because of the usual time constraints around Ferry travel. Larry reminded all Leaders to look over the last year's Premium Book, and recommend changes for Fair 2000. See the April agenda for the discussion of ribbons, rewards and the decisions to be made as noted above. .