

San Juan County 4H Leaders Council Meeting Minutes

Date and location: October 8, 2005 Lopez Island

Attendees: Flo McFarland, LeAnne GrosJacques, Tiar Black, Dana Rouser, Lisa Guard, Delores Foss, Lisa Steinbrook, Larry Cochran, Jerry Scherzinger, Terri Brown, John Gauthier and Jan Sanburg; 4H office staff: Alice Hibberd

Minutes:

Approved as read

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer provided summary of financial standing.

A complete Year End report will be submitted following the receipt of September interest is accrued. The current report included a donation from Skagit College for ribbons. There are funds available through the Pomona and SC Grange fund that can be used for activity scholarships. All scholastic scholarships for 2004-2005 year have been distributed.

Larry Cochran added that there is also state funding available for anyone wanting to attend the State Forum. Alice Hibberd said that there are also other funds available to assist with costs in going to State Forum.

The overall financial standing of the Leaders Council is good.

Committee Reports:

Livestock Committee - LeAnne reported that the carcass evaluations were held for the Market Animal projects. The carcass evaluations for the sheep and hogs were good, but the beef were more difficult in that not all carcasses were at the same location. Carcass evaluation is an important aspect of the market animal project.

The 2005 SJ County Fair livestock auction was a great success. Having the tent and the bleachers set up worked very well for showing and for the auction.

Larry commented that the support and excitement for the auction was very good this year. Lisa added that "Thank You" letters from the 4H members is a very good follow-up to the auction. Terri notes that the more animals the better.

Policy [The waiver for livestock members who are not able to participate at the fair to have another person show and market their animal has been approved and is on file at the extension office. *Was this voted on?*

Horse Committee No report submitted.

Old Business:

Terri and LeAnne have been working toward having a draft of a policy manual ready for the January meeting.

Not all club treasury reports have been completed. Groups that have not complied will not be able to re-enroll. If there are any new leaders for clubs that have not complied they will be allowed enrollment. Contact Alice for more details or to see if your club is eligible for enrollment.

New Business:

Elections of officers were held. Terms are for 1 year.

Results: LeAnne GrosJacques – President

Larry Cochran – Vice President

Flo McFarland – Treasurer

John Gauthier – Secretary

A tie breaker for the Vice President position was determined by a suspenseful round of Rock-Paper-Scissors. Larry Cochran (rock) prevailed over Terri Brown (scissors).

Flo made a motion that a tape recorder be purchased and used at future meetings as an aid for keeping the minutes.

Larry seconded the motion. Approved

State Fair Evaluations: The state judges comment sheets were made available to all present. Alice explained the form and it was reviewed.

Fair Board has requested that any supplies requests for 2006 fair projects need to be submitted. The earlier the better! Please contact Alice or Christine between January or early March with information about project goals.

Alice shared that as of October 1 2005 all publications that have been free now have a fee (WSU policy change). However the Extension office will cover these costs with limited County funds that are available at this time.

Important! 4H Enrollment Fees:

Alice presented information about 4H enrollment fees.

Out of 21 counties surveyed 50% of them have a fee.

San Juan County is proposing a fee for the 2005-2006 year and the money from this would go directly to support the 4H Program Coordinator position. It is hoped that the County Commissioners will approve matching funds.

There was much discussion regarding the proposed fees, its impact on enrollment, and the need for the Program Coordinator and so on.

Lisa made a motion that we approve a \$10 per member annual enrollment fee which will be paid to Leaders Council. Leaders Council can then distribute the funds to the Extension Office. There will be a \$25.00 cap per family. Any family who claims financial hardship will have the fee waived. Leaders are to send in with enrollment. Tiar seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

There was discussion concerning the need to standardize all college scholarship application forms. The only one that is not standard is the Pierre Franklin Award and any changes to that need to be approved by Valerie Yukluk. Larry motioned that Valerie be contacted to approve a standardized form. Lisa seconds the motion. Approved.

Other agenda items were tabled for the next meeting due to time constraints.

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Add livestock waiver portqy here

Motions failed: none

Next meeting: January 21 on Shaw

Leaders' Council Meeting
January 29, 2005
Shaw Island Community Center
Agenda

Approve Minutes from January 2005

Treasurers' Report

Insurance Due

Committee Reports

Update Committees - Recruiting New Members

Old Business

Premium Book: Early Deadline, Early Publication: *March 15th*

Enrollment Deadlines - Review Documentation (Alice, LeAnne)

New Business

New Leader Directory

Consignment Treasures donations: Accounting?

Harold Kjargaard Memorial Award: New sponsor needed

Teen Recognition awards (Flo)

Seven-Hour (Not Horse) Rule for Fair Exhibitions & Premium Points

Livestock Auction Exhibits (One Animal Exhibit & Eggs)

Graduating Seniors Auctioning? Guidelines Needed (Lisa)

Annual Reports from Clubs

Silent Auction Donations (\$475) - How to use them?

Horse Superintendent needed by March 15th

Horse State Qualifications Revisions: Approve (Flo)

Herdsmanship: New system? (Larry)

Animal Treatment: County Guidelines?

Next Meeting Date and Location:

Orcas Island in March ? Leader Training also?

*Thank you all for attending and contributing your
ideas, time, and enthusiasm (at such an early hour)!*

San Juan County 4H Leaders Council Meeting Minutes

Date and location: May 14, 2005 Orcas Island

Attendees: Flo McFarland, LeAnne GrosJacques, Lisa Steinbrueck, Nikki Stolmeier, Barb Griffin and Jan Sanburg; 4-H office staff: Cindy Gauthier

Minutes: Correction to be made to the previous minutes to read Horse medals class to include Hunt Seat Equitation, Stock Seat and Showmanship. Dressage seat is being added as a fair class but not a medals class as the minutes indicated.

Flo suggested that a copy of the Horse Policy for 2005 from the previous minutes be kept with the records of the last meeting.

LeAnne added that parents are advised to communicate with leaders before attending committee meetings. The minutes were approved with these additions and corrections.

Treasurer's Report:

The fiscal year is to be October 1 to September 30 for the annual report. This is also the 4-H year. Net worth report will be given at 6 months.

Donations have been coming in to purchase ribbons for this years fair. These are for the award of achievement, best of show and award of merit ribbons.

The refund of \$70.00 from the Teen Rally Scholarship has been collected.

Committee Reports:

Livestock Committee announced that Weigh In will be June 25th. This will also be a time for some great learning opportunities with judging clinics and round robin showmanship clinic. The 4-H horse show is also going on that day at the Fairgrounds.

Old Business:

Washington State may initiate 4-H enrollment fees for fall of 2005. The proposed fee is \$12.00 with a 36.00 per family cap. This fee will include the insurance that is currently paid. The local extension office is negotiating with the state to determine if an additional processing fee will need to be added to the state fee or if the state will reimburse the extension office for administration of the membership fees.

Current 4-H membership enrollment in SJ County is about 850 overall. This includes the school enrichment programs which are the majority of these enrollments. The traditional 4-H project enrollment is about 250. Fees for the after school programs will be different than the proposed \$12.00 fee.

Flo asked if the leaders will have to pay an enrolment fee. Cindy will check and find out.

Club Treasures reports that were due January 31st have been either completed or partially completed by most groups. Some groups still have not complied. A list showing the status of each group will accompany the minutes.

New Business:

The SJ County Fair Board has agreed to allow the use of the Fairgrounds by 4-H groups at no charge. This includes the arenas, barns, buildings, tractor and bathrooms. Groups need to make prior arrangements with Christine and fill out forms with the Fair Office. The forms may also soon be on the website. Many thanks are extended to Terri Brown and Lisa Guard who presented the fairboard with a great presentation on the importance of the relationship of 4-H to the fair and the contributions made to the Fair and fairgrounds by 4-H.

Shared animals is a topic that is being presented more and more so Cindy did some research and found that the State Guidelines allow for shared animals. State Policy overrides all county rules and the state rule has been in place for 2 years. The 2005 SJC Fair Premium book may not be correct.

State rule reads: "Two 4-H members may jointly care for and show one animal. These two 4-H members may not compete in same class or lot at an event.

The theme to this year's fair is "There's Magic In the Air" so put on your thinking caps for great ideas.

***REMINDERS: Still Life Entry forms are due August 3rd (July 30 post mark)
Animal Entry forms are due July 27th (July 23 post mark)***

Attendance at Leaders' Council meeting has been lagging and sometimes meeting have had to be rescheduled or cancelled. Any 4-H Leader is invited to attend and all are encouraged to become active in the Leader's Council.

Motions Made and Passed:

- 1. Flo motioned that a "Peer Review Day" be established for the purpose of getting all group Treasurer Reports completed each year in early November. This could be done as a "ride the ferry around meeting". Jan seconded and the motion was passed.**

Motions failed: none

The Next Meeting is scheduled to be held in Friday Harbor on July 16th.

San Juan County 4H Leaders Council Meeting Minutes

Date and location: April 2, 2005

Attendees: Flo McFarland, Jerry Scherzinger, Terri Brown, LeAnne GrosJacques, Lisa Guard, Larry Cochran; 4H office staff: Alice Hibberd

Minutes: Correction to be made to the previous minutes to read that a Livestock Co-Superintendent is still needed for the 2005 fair.

Treasurer's Report:

LeAnne stated that she had just helped to perform an audit of the LC Treasury bookkeeping and really appreciates all the work that Flo does to keep the accounts organized.

Report was submitted by Flo McFarland and handed out to attendees. She commented that the LC Tax Exempt status needs to be clarified and straightened out with Key Bank.

The Durack award funds need to be distributed for 2004 fair. This will be investigated and the topic will be tabled until the next meeting while information about the intent of distribution is gathered.

Jerry noted that the Teen Rally accounts have been completed with the exception of one scholarship that was not used by a Shaw 4H member needs to be refunded. Jan will contact the parents and remind them that a refund of \$70.00 is expected.

Committee Reports:

Livestock Auction Committee has made arrangements for temporary cover for the 2005 Livestock Auction bleachers. The hope is that it will make the seating more comfortable and inviting for bidders. Permits will need to be acquired for future permanent cover.

The Livestock Auction Committee is working on a policy to establish requirements for showing livestock if the member has to be absent at the fair. Occasionally older members have to start college and are not able to show their own animal during the fair. This is one of the situations that may be allowed providing certain requirements are met.

Scholarship committee: Terri asked that any member applying for a scholarship that the committee asks the members primary 4H group leader to review the scholarship to be sure that the member has met the 4H requirements.

Old Business:

Jan asked for clarification to previous minutes regarding parents and their attendance to 4H meetings and committee meetings. Discussion followed that parents are allowed to attend meetings but can not be on a committee or vote unless they are enrolled as leaders. Flo stated that parents who want to be involved should be encouraged to enroll as activity or resource leaders.

New horse superintendents have been found for upcoming fair. Deb Guilford, Karin Becker and Barb Griffin will compose the group for 4H, Open and Horse Game events.

New Business:

It has been suggested that a policy be made to regulate when policies can be set by the Leaders Council. Some policies, such as the new enrollment deadlines, were not clearly understood by all 4H Leaders in time for all members to be properly enrolled for 2005.

Discussion followed; using the March 15 deadline for revisions to the fair premium book it seems reasonable that new policies should be made no later than March 15 for the upcoming year. Flo suggested that January meeting agenda should include policy review for changes to policy, rules and regulations.

Larry motioned that March 1 be the official date for notification to the extension office and all leaders for policy changes that will affect the 4H eligibility for the fair and completion of the 4H year. Further, that this policy will be implemented January 1, 2006. Terri seconds the motion. Motion is passed.

A motion was made by Flo that the secretary include a separate page with the minutes that separate out "Motions Passed" from each LC meeting as this would help to define policies as they are being made. Larry seconded the motion. All agreed (secretary abstained from the vote!).

Flo submitted revisions from the Horse Leaders to State Fair Qualifications and passed around the documents with the details for acceptance by the LC. Flo moved that we accept the revisions. Larry seconds. Motion is passed.

Also submitted by the Horse Leaders were new medals classes. These include dressage seat class and a saddle seat equitation class. Terri moved that the additional medals classes, which have been added to the 2005 premium book, be accepted. Jan seconds the motion and it passed.

Teen Representatives for SJ County 2005 will be Randy Ritchie of Lopez and Clinton Gauthier of San Juan. They have just attended training along with Gretchen Scherzinger who is the county Teen State Ambassador.

Cross – county residency and 4H continues to be a growing issue for San Juan County. The state rules are that members in good standing in one county can transfer to another county. This means that a member can be eligible for the San Juan County Fair if they have been properly transferred into a SJC 4H club through the extension office. Part time SJC residents who are members of SJC clubs must attend meetings and fulfill all other requirements set by SJC to qualify for the Fair.

Flo motions that requirements to be eligible for State Fair include completion of the 5 requirements of the 4H year in order to compete at the State Fair to begin in 2006. Jerry seconds this and the motion is carried.

FAIR

Larry reaffirms policy is in place that leader's have authority to use their discretion over safety issues at any 4H meetings or sponsored events. Leaders can dismiss any member or animal that is endangering the safety of others.

Herdsmanship needs to be reviewed for 2006 and future fairs. Jan and Larry will form a new committee to review and make recommendations for herdsmanship

Next Meeting to be held on Orcas May 14, 2005

Motions Made by and Passed April 2, 2005:

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SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H EQUITATION and SHOWMANSHIP MEDAL PROGRAM

(Copies of current year test patterns available from Horse Club Leaders or 4-H Extension Office)

PURPOSE: The objective of the Medals Program is to challenge and reward outstanding 4-H Horse Program members to continue their pursuit of equitation excellence, leadership, sportsmanship, and responsibility.

DIVISIONS: There shall be three divisions of Medal Program:

- Bronze
- Silver
- Gold

SEATS OR DICCIPLINES:

- Showmanship
- Hunt Seat
- Stockseat
- Saddle Seat
- Bareback
- Equitation Over Fences

AGE GROUPS:

- Senior
- Intermediate

QUALIFYING CLASSES:

-Regular equitation/showmanship classes awarding Danish Ribbons at any San Juan County Shows will be qualifying classes.

-Regular 4-H equitation/showmanship classes awarding Danish ribbons at Fair will be qualifying classes.

-Regular equitation/showmanship classes at approved 4-H Club sponsored Horse Shows in other counties in Washington State awarding Danish ribbons will be qualifying classes, if indicated in the Class List.

CLASS SIZE:

Medal participants will ride against a "Standard" with no minimum number of riders required.

MEDALS AWARDED:

There will be no maximum number of Medals awarded; however, no medals need be given. Medal Classes may be offered for one or both Divisions/ or for one or more Seats in any year or show as determined by the 4-H Show or Fair Management.

JUDGES:

It's recommended that 4-H judges familiar with Medals Program be used for judging Medal Classes. They will be required to write comments, which will be made available to the riders.

ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE MEDALS PROGRAM:

- Must be a currently enrolled Intermediate or Senior member in San Juan County 4-H Horse Program.
- All members competing must ride her/his Project Horse to be eligible for a Medal.
- Medal riders must enter at least two other classes, regardless of seat, to be eligible to ride in Medal Classes for a total of three classes minimum.

QUALIFICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN MEDAL COMPETITION:

- To be eligible for Bronze Medal Competition in any Class, a 4-H member must earn at least one Blue Danish Qualifying Ribbon in that class on a Project Horse, in approved Qualifying Classes. (e.g. For a member to be eligible to ride for a Bronze Medal in Huntseat, she/he must have previously earned at least one Blue Danish Ribbon in Huntseat Equitation.) Upon receipt of the qualifying Blue Danish Ribbon, a member will be become eligible for the Medals Program.
- Silver Medal Competition is only open to Bronze Medal Winners.
- Gold Medal Competition is only open to Silver Medal Winners.
- A member may win only one Bronze and one Silver Medal in each Seat and in each grade Division.
- A member may win as many Gold Medals as she/he is capable of doing.
- A member may not compete for more than one Medal, in the same seat, on the same day. (For example: On the same day, you might compete for a Bronze in Huntseat and a

Silver in Showmanship, but NOT for a Bronze and a Silver Medal in Huntseat, or more than one Gold in Huntseat .)

-When an Intermediate member graduates to the Senior Division she/he will begin again to earn the required Blue Danish Ribbon to be eligible for Senior Bronze Medal Equitation Classes.

CLASS PROCEDURES:

- Individual performance shall be required in all Medal Classes.
- Patterns for the year shall be available to contestants at the County Extension Office preferably by March 1st, or at least one month prior to the Medal Classes. A copy of the test pattern to be used for each medal must be given to the judge prior to the exhibitor's performance.
- A contestant who is "Off Course" will not receive a Medal. Definition of "Off -Course"
 - Failure to complete any or all elements of a pattern in proper sequence, i.e. a simple lead change where a flying lead change is required, or leaving the designated boundaries of the arena.
- Pattern test options may be chosen from any combination of elements appropriate for test Division and Seat (For examples *4-H Horse Contest Guide* p.15 and *Performance Horse* member manual pp.43 & 47) including advanced movements or questions from 4-H Horse Project materials.
- All 4-H rules applying to appropriate class dress, sportsmanship, treatment of horse, and tack apply to Medal Classes.

NEW 4H EQUINE CLASS'S

SJ County Fair 2005

4-H Dressage Seat Equitation

Riders to be judged on correct seat, position, and effective use of aids required by the Training Level Dressage test at the walk, trot, and cantor. Movements shall be performed by the exhibitors simultaneously; however, the judge may ask for independent tests.

4-H Medal Program Classes 2005

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4-H Showmanship Medal

Intermediates and Seniors only. Entrants for the Bronze Medal Class must pre-qualify with a Blue Danish in a previous Showmanship class in their respective division. A Bronze level Medal in Showmanship is required to test at the Silver level and a Silver Medal is required to test at the Gold Level. Medal participants will ride against a "Standard" with no minimum number of riders required. No medals need be given.

4-H Huntseat Medal

Intermediates and Seniors only. Entrants for the Bronze Medal Class must pre-qualify with a Blue Danish in a previous Huntseat class in their respective division. A Bronze level Medal in Huntseat is required to test at the Silver level and a Silver Medal is required to test at the Gold Level. Medal participants will ride against a "Standard" with no minimum number of riders required. No medals need be given.

4-H Stockseat Medal

Intermediates and Seniors only. Entrants for the Bronze Medal Class must pre-qualify with a Blue Danish in a previous Stockseat class in their respective division. A Bronze level Medal in Stockseat is required to test at the Silver level and a Silver Medal is required to test at the Gold Level. Medal participants will ride against a "Standard" with no minimum number of riders required. No medals need be given.

FAIR GUIDELINES – 4-H HORSE

Based on Horse Leaders' Discussions and Recommendations

Deadlines

Enrollment for horse projects –

Forms to be in the 4-H Extension Office by **March 1st** (No exceptions made).

This deadline must be met if member wants to show at San Juan County Fair.

Individual clubs may determine earlier deadlines in order to comply with above deadline

Horse Certificates –

Certificates to be in the 4-H Extension Office - **May 15th, by 3:30pm** (No exceptions made)

Individual clubs may determine earlier deadlines in order to comply with above deadline.

Horse Certificates

An original certificate will be filled out each year and be sent in to the 4-H Extension Office.

The leaders will compile the original certificates, and forward these to the 4-H Extension Office by date specified (see *Deadlines* above). Each club is responsible to record and file the copies.

The 4-H office will compile a list of all Project Enrollments, to include 4-H member linked to his/her horse's name, and forward list to club leaders by May 1st to allow for correction or to clarify any misinterpretations.

The finalized list of Project Enrollments will go out to the leaders and the Horse Superintendent as soon as possible after May 15th.

Project Horses

Primary and Substitute Horse(s)

The primary "project horse" must be identified on original certificate, and each "substitute project horse" must be identified as such on a separate original certificate.

Replacement

In the case of injury, a primary project horse may be replaced by a substitute project horse (that has been registered with the 4-H Extension Office as described above). Substitution requests and documentation (letter of explanation from your veterinarian) should be submitted to the 4-H Extension Office by the club leader prior to the 4-H exhibit. The 4-H Extension Office will forward to the horse superintendent.

Leased Horse(s)

A lease agreement is permissible. The agreement must be filled in, signed & dated by all parties. A copy of the lease agreement will be attached to the completed original certificate and forwarded to the 4-H Extension Office by May 15th as described above. Leaders are responsible for having copies of leases and must be prepared to present them, if asked, at county or state fair.

Project Records

Members must keep separate Project Records for each project horse enrolled (primary and substitutes).

Animal Health

All horses must pass a vet check. The fair veterinarian is hired to ascertain that all horses (4-H, Open, and those used for demonstrations) are free from visible evidence of infectious and contagious disease when presented.

If there are any issues other than infectious and contagious diseases, the vet(s) will confer with (at least, but not limited to) the Horse Superintendent, Western Games Superintendent, and Judge. There will be a minimum of three officials to determine & make decisions regarding anything other than infectious and contagious disease issues.

- If your animal has a suspicious or irregular way of going, a signed statement from your veterinarian would be helpful in correctly ascertaining condition and suitability of the animal.

- If your animal has had prior soundness issues, a signed statement from your veterinarian would be helpful in correctly ascertaining current condition and suitability of the animal. This may be as simple as, “This horse is allowed to participate in Western Performance classes, but is restricted from jumping and games . . .”
- If your animal has had a recent accident where the injury or healing tissue are visible, a signed statement from your veterinarian would be helpful in correctly ascertaining current condition and suitability of the animal.
- If some issue, occurrence or health problem occurs inside the show arena, then the Judge will confer with the Horse Superintendent and they may decide to summon the Fair Veterinarian.

Judge

If some issue, occurrence or health problem occurs inside the show arena, then the Judge will confer with the Horse Superintendent and they may decide to summon the Fair Veterinarian.

During the show itself, we look to the expertise and judgment of the Judge and Horse Superintendent should the animal show signs of distress ie:

- lameness
- unsoundness
- stress

The Judge may dismiss any animal or rider showing or exhibiting in an unsafe or dangerous manner.

Horse Superintendent

If some issue, occurrence or health problem occurs outside the show arena, refer all queries to the Horse Superintendent. The Horse Superintendent will decide whether to summon the Fair Veterinarian.

During the show itself, we look to the expertise and judgment of the Judge and Horse Superintendent should the animal show signs of distress ie:

- lameness
- unsoundness
- stress

The Horse Superintendent may dismiss any animal or rider showing or exhibiting in an unsafe or dangerous manner.

Protest Process

A protest must be made in writing; signed and addressed to the Show Secretary and received within 48 hours of the alleged violation and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$50.00, which may be forfeited if the protest is not sustained.

See below for Resources that will be used to resolve conflicts.

Point keepers

In all instances there will be at least 2 volunteers helping the Horse Superintendent and Western Games Superintendent with keeping points.

Each point keeper will not be an immediate relative of a competitor in the category/age group they are responsible for scoring.

Resources

- The Performance Horse Manual (EM4727)
- Western Games Manual (EM4610)
- American Horse Shows Association (AHSA)

San Juan County 4H Leaders Council Meeting Minutes

Date and location: January 29, 2005, Shaw Island Community Center

Attendees: Flo McFarland, Jerry Scherzinger, Terry Brown, Don Burt, Monte Larsen, Jody Luft, Tina Wyllie-Echeverria, LeAnne GrosJacques; 4H office staff: Alice Hibbard

Minutes: No comments from the previous meeting minutes (November 20th, 2004) were made.

Treasurer's Report: Submitted by Flo McFarland and handed out to attendees explaining annual income and expenses since January 1, 2004, net worth report and the account balance in the General Fund since December 31, 2004. One teen rally scholarship needs to be refunded, as the member was unable to attend. Scholarship forms and information was handed out. There are 16 scholarship opportunities for 4H youth and 7 opportunities for leaders. The list is available from 4H Office Staff.

Committee Reports: Livestock committee decided to continue to be comprised of livestock leaders and in addition Guard Sundstrom, who is the superintendent of the livestock auction and Milene Henley who was the former livestock superintendent and member of the committee for a long time. All parents should take up questions with the leaders, the same format followed by the Leaders Council. Jason, Larry and Donny are pursuing price and type concerning the 4-H arena. The committee is also working on how to get more and new buyers at the livestock auction, particularly from islands other than San Juan.

The Livestock Committee has decided to allow each 4Her to enter one animal in the auction and one dozen eggs (if enrolled in poultry) in the auction.

Teen Rally Committee member Jerry Scherzinger reports a net profit of \$563.11 from the Teen Rally.

All Island Committees were reviewed and Lisa Guard has agreed to join the Record Book Committee, Chris Lawsen will join the Livestock Committee.

The 4-H leader's directory is available from the 4H Office Staff.

Old Business: The 4-H STARS program deadlines are February 1st for Shaw Island, March 1st for San Juan Island and April 5th for Orcas. It is always a good idea to provide the 4H Office Staff with any additional submissions in case a deadline is missed. Deadline for the full year are available at the 4H Office.

New Business:

FAIR

March 15th is the deadline for any changes to the 2005 Premium Book. Please submit your suggested changes to Alice or Cindy at the 4H office.

We still need a new Livestock Superintendent. The Livestock Committee will work on this.

We still need a new Horse Superintendent. It was suggested we advertise for volunteers.

There have been three complaints lodged at the 4H Office regarding the humane treatment of animals at the fair. It is important to provide the public a forum to register perceived problems and then for the Leader's Council to review the comments. It is important that all 4Hers are prepared before the fair on appropriate animal handling practices. Superintendents at the fair watch how the 4Hers handle animals and will control any problems.

A new rule requiring exhibits to be viewed for at least 7 hours in order to qualify for premium points will go into effect in 2005. We discussed that demonstrations and some interactive displays might be affected and that a poster or some form of permanent display will need to be a part of each premium point competition. The fair book will be amended. (Note: demonstrations do not earn premium point at the County Fair, they are only for educational purposes).

A new award of recognition for outstanding contributions from senior members was proposed. An appeal was made to the Leaders Council to support a perpetual plaque and/or a keeper item such as a pin, medal or small plaque. More investigation into appropriate awards will be made. Gretchen Scherzinger, Tristan Scherzinger and Sara Cochran all made outstanding contributions in hosting the Western Washington Teen Rally.

Motions Made by Terry Brown and Passed:

- 1. 4H General fund to purchase a keeper award and engraving for Teen Leadership Award.**
- 2. Membership enrollment or the establishment of a new club for animal projects is March 1st. For all other clubs (Still Life) enrollment is open until June 1st. These are deadlines for qualifying to exhibit at the County Fair.**
- 3. A sub-committee of the Leaders Council will compile a listing of San Juan County 4H policy as it currently exists in the minutes and appended to from all future motions. (LeAnne, Larry and Flo are the sub-committee members).**
- 4. A new Kjaagaard Award perpetual plaque will be purchased by Leaders Council from discretionary funds (Lopez livestock provides the keeper trophies).**
- 5. The Fair Demonstration Form will be amended to remove the 5 extra points for team presentations.**

- 6. Any livestock member who, through extenuating circumstances, will be unable to show their animal at the fair can make application to the Livestock Committee. The committee will decide if the member will be able to enter their animal into the auction.**
- 7. All donations will be added to the 4H discretionary fund unless the donor designates the donation for a specific fund.**

Motions failed:

The next meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2005 on Orcas Island

The meeting ended at 9:00 AM