4-H Leaders Council Meeting Agenda

January 29, 2024 6pm

MSUE Office

Present: Gwen Tweed, Trista Harrell, Jen Milks, Kate Gillespie, Audrey Greer, Lindsie Dillon, Kristie Simrau, Talynn Johnson (4-H Program Coordinator)

* 4-H Enrollment: have the same amount as last year. We have MANY new families though. It was agreed that those who are trying to enroll after the December 31st 2023 deadline will be allowed to join 4-H but they will not be permitted to show any livestock at fair.
* Club sizes: Need to limit to 30-35. We will start to work on this as we go towards the 2024-2025 4-H year.
* Treasurer’s Report -Jen
  + Regular Share -$5.52
  + Fun and Rec- $2,673.56
  + Scholarship- $4,812.49
  + Checking- $31,400.20
  + Total: $38,216.40
* Community Service opportunity: packing food boxes at Mid-Michigan Community Action Agency at Farwell Warehouse
  + Open to groups of max. 15 ages 11 and up (sign parental consent form with the organization)
  + Can do weeknights after 4pm and weekends as long as date and time is preset
* 4-H Concession Stand:
  + Day shift managers: worked out great; will confirm w/ Melissa to do again this year
  + Youth workers: should have enough youth where they only need to work one concession stand shift. We will see as we get closer to fair.
  + Prices: will be based off of the amount groceries cost
  + Gatorade leftovers.. Motion made by Gwen to sell them; seconded by Audrey. $15 per case
* Teen Council Formation?: We will see if there is interest. Opened up to 11-19 year olds and they will vote for a president, vice president, etc. They will be joining/leading leaders council meetings with Talynn’s aid
* Senior Scholarships -mailed to qualifying individuals the beginning of January
  + Due February 26th 2024
  + Interview days: March 5th and 6th at the Extension office
  + KJ Dubiel names due to Midland Foundation by March 15th
  + Scholarship committee: Lindsie Dillon, Trista Harrell, Kate Gillespie, Audrey Greer
  + Have to pay out 4-H scholarships to Lexi Kirkpatrick and Delaney Reynolds from 2023
    - Paperwork has been submitted by both recipients and has been given to Jen to write checks. Talynn will be giving recipients addresses to Jen.
* Fish Fry Fundraiser
  + February 9th 4pm-7pm
  + Need a few youth from each club to help out and some families to make bake sale goodies
  + Promoted to the newspapers, flyers around town, Facebook…
  + Family Farm and Home is donating $1 for every plate sold. If we do not sell 500 plates, they will still give us a $500 donation!
* “Mandatory” new member meeting -Gwen
  + February 19th, 6pm at the Christmas Kindness Building
* Poultry Orders:
  + New owners of The Feed Store continuing the 4-H donations for broilers, bantams, and pheasants -YAY!
  + Order form link is now live online. Link has been sent to all 4-H families.
    - All order requests are due February 26th so I can send the request to The Feed Store and we can plan on turkeys/ducks.
    - Turkeys will need to be picked up around the second week of March
* Fair Awards:
  + - Large animal senior overall $45
    - Small animal senior overall $45
    - Rosette sponsorship $90
    - Reserve champion prospect beef $45
    - Poultry best of show $45
  + Motion made by Jen to keep these fair sponsorships for 2024. Seconded by Trista.

Next Meeting: April 22nd at 6pm at the Gladwin MSU Extension office