



Yellowstone County Council Minutes December 7, 2023

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:14 pm by President, Heather Arkell.

Pledges: no presenters this month

Minutes: Minutes from November 2 meeting were read. Motion to accept minutes made by Skelly Adkins, Karen Robertson seconded, motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Caroline Brito reported \$84,717.06 in account as of 11/30/2023. Motion to accept Treasurers report made by Angie Murdick, Dan Robertson seconded, motion passed.

Correspondence: No correspondence

Guests: Horse Judging Team (Bailey and Tanner Stott, Kimber Crockett and Bonnie Deverniero) came and reported on the State Competition and requested financial assistance for the Regional competition in Denver January 3-6, 2024. Discussion that \$500 per kid/chaperone is what Council has given in the past. Ann Marie Mills Low moved to give \$500 to each kid and chaperone, Amy Ready seconded, motion passed. The kids will come to the February council meeting and report.

National 4-H Congress winners were unavailable to report on their November trip at this meeting.

Old Business:

Outgoing Officers recognized: Kayla Koivu 2023 President

Carson Adkins offered to take on Vice President, after some discussion, Dan Robertson called for a vote, vote passed.

Fair Book Changes: some discussion, Skelly Adkins moved to accept the rule book changes as approved by Dept N and Dept A Committees, Ann Marie Mills Low seconded, motion passed.

There are a few Dept A changes that will be voted on in February, as they had to go back to the Committee for clarification.

Council Policy: Was approved as rewritten, but new gal Stephanie Johnson brought to Roni's attention that the information regarding County Award pins is not clear. A Committee was formed to review current process and how it can be clarified and streamlined. Jen Megard, Amy Ready, Brooklyn Sim, Ariel Peterson and Stephanie Johnson are on the committee.

Committees:

Dept. N: Discussed Recordbook workshop, Make it and Take it, Communication Day, Showcase-looking to move to 4/13/2024 as Rec Lab is 4/19-21/2024, Rec Lab, Citizenship. Cloverbud Camp will be 6/18/2024.

Dept A:

Horse Workshops: Bonnie Deverniero will be holding workshops throughout the year

Beef Tagging: January 6th, 2024, noon to 3pm PAYS

AQA: January 6th 2024 1-2:30pm, PAYS

Fruit Sale: discussion as to price per box, motion was made by Valory Seely to keep at \$36, seconded by Skelly Adkins, motion passed.

Family Orientation: Held December 4th, 60 people, Ariel Peterson and Cale Hockhalter were presenters.

Camp: CIT/Counselor Applications due 12/15/23

Ambassadors/Teen Leaders:

- **Leadership Academy:** Ambassadors are hosting a live get together on Dec 10, 2023 Room 105 at the Courthouse, 2:30pm

Exchange: Very busy fundraising, committed to New York. Looking for recipes for their cookbook. Will accept until 2/29/2024. Rescued and Reclaimed has asked that 4-H hold a small carnival on 4/24/24.

New Business:

Citizenship: Information was sent out.

Goals for 2024: More training opportunities and project workshops, discussion was tabled and moved to February due to time constraints

Clover Academy: All new leaders need to take it online, and current leaders that have not taken it need to do so ASAP.

Agent Report:

- **People Partner Grant-**Recommends all clubs apply
- **MSU Online WebEx Workshops-** flyer was sent out
- **New Beef Book:** Yellowstone County is beta testing the new beef book.
- **Animal Project Resource Books:** Recommends clubs have one for each project

Carolyn Brito moved to adjourn the meeting, Skelly Adkins seconded, meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Next Meeting: February 1, 2024, following Dept. N

Angie Murdick

Secretary