

## **IN ATTENDANCE:**

District I-JoAnne Fortier, Bobbi Flowers, Jim Wilson (via conference call)

District II-Tass Heim, Greg Heim, Debbie Lowber, Tim Lowber, Debbie Buxton, Maurine Johnson

District III- Mary Davidson, Matthew Berheim, Shaylee Berheim, Roxanne Berheim, Carma Scheer, Steve Scheer, Brianna Reed, Donna Gillespie

District IV-

State Office- Dr. Jim Lindstrom, Dr. Carrie Stark

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

President Tass Heim called the meeting to order at 10:00am MST

## **INTRODUCTIONS:**

Introductions were made around the room. New State 4-H Director Dr. Jim Lindstrom was introduced and said a few words. He is excited to be here and is looking forward to working together with all the 4-H Leaders across the State of Idaho. He has some great ideas to bring to the table. He wants to make the new transition a simple process and a great step forward for Idaho.

## **AGENDA REVIEW:**

No items added to agenda.

## **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Minutes from the May meeting were read. No additions or corrections. Minutes were approved as presented.

## **REPORTS:**

### Treasurer Report & Budget Review:

JoAnne Fortier presented the report on the current activity. She passed around a report handout. Starting balance was \$16,793.73 with income of \$4,300.00. Our disbursements totaled \$4,036.85 which gave us an ending balance of \$17,056.88. JoAnne has not received Leaders Dues from Boundary & Oneida Counties. JoAnne reports some differences in the Leaders numbers in some of the counties.

Debbie Lowber requested additional information about the \$2000 from Friend of 4-H gift. It was not listed on the report. JoAnne reported that we did not submit a request for the \$2000. After some discussion, it was deemed that in order for us to receive the \$2000 gift from Friends of 4-H, we would need to submit a request for that amount. Without this request, this leaves \$5015 for scholarships to WRLF.

JoAnne also reported that we have never been billed for the Video Conference from May meeting. Dr. Carrie Stark informed us that it was taken care of with a portion of the Participation Fee that covers Video Conferences. Mary Davidson moved to accept the report as presented. Maurine Johnson seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Report is attached.

### District I

Nancy Wright has resigned as the 4-H Coordinator in Bonner County; Gail Silkwood will be joining Benewah County in the near future; Fair seasons were completed successfully; They are working with the 4-H Online program and holding trainings to bring

parents, members, and leaders on board; They are working on the 2014 State Leaders Forum; They had great representation at the National Horse Contest, several 1<sup>st</sup> place winners. They also have a judging team back at Kentucky.

Report is attached.

#### District II

All counties had successful fairs and great birthday celebrations; Elmore County had a remote control car club that has been very active; Presentations were given by teens that attended Teen Conference. They are all eager to go back; 4-H Camp Director reported that numbers were low. They will be working on promoting camp. They had 43 counselors and counselors-in-training. They need more adult chaperones; Working Ranch Horse held their annual gathering. They granted 22 scholarships to all events at the National level; They will be working on revising the District Fashion Revue; Working on getting Skype to the outlying counties for their meetings. They are still researching all the details.

Report is attached

#### District III

All counties had great birthday celebrations in conjunction with their fairs; All District events were well attended; Twin Falls County is looking at getting a new Extension Educator with their focus being 60% Beef and 40% 4-H; They have a couple of counties working on getting Endowment programs set up. Gooding is just \$2500 away from obtaining theirs. Archery programs are developing quite rapidly through the district with a couple of Archery Contests well attended. They have been working hard on the 2012 SLF.

No written report.

#### District IV

Working on a Service project that involves bring inner city kids the chance to learn about livestock. They have provided a 30 day old calf for them to work with; Holding several open houses to promote the 4-H Program. Missy has been working with the Juvenile Center and After School programs. They are working on getting ready to host the 2013 SLF.

Report is attached.

#### Friends of 4-H

Tim Lowber reported that the committee received \$85,941 in requested funding. They only allow \$75,000 to be granted each year. They operate on a budget of approximately \$9000 to \$10,000. They had 100 applications for Friends of 4-H College Scholarships and awarded eleven scholarships at \$ 1,000.00 each. They are busy promoting the individual Counties to set up their own Endowment Programs. Mary Davidson reported that they need feedback on the Leaders Recognition Program.

No written report.

#### Dean's Advisory Board

Beth Carter is at a Dean's Advisory meeting. Debbie Lowber, reporting for Beth, told us that they are making a proclamation for Ag Day to be during the first full week in October 2013. They are reviewing their by-laws and looking at CALS.

No written report

#### 4-H Advisory Board

Maurine Johnson reported that there is a \$5000 in matching funds being offered to the first 5 counties to get an Endowment Program up and running. The application for funds has changed; New Policy and Procedure changes were voted on with a revision of these to be held every two years; Participation Fee Budget- only 2 proposals have not requested their funding. The forms for which are used to apply has been taken under advisement by the committee; Dr. Lindstrom will start October 1<sup>st</sup> as our new State Director. Jim Connors is the acting interim with Charlotte Eberlein handling the day to day stuff; August 22<sup>nd</sup> is the birthday bash in Lemhi County; Ag Days in Moscow will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup>; Lewiston Corn Maze will feature the Centennial Logo; 4-H Online contract has been signed. July 11<sup>th</sup> there will be a training for this program. It will be recorded and posted on the website.

Report is attached.

#### Leader's Corner

The August mailing was an abridged version of the one sent online. The 2837 hard copies were mailed out ahead of schedule. Bobbie then gave us a break down of the last three years costs: 2010- approx. \$2800; 2011-BSU \$2299.82; 2012-LCSC \$1736.85; The next deadline is November 26<sup>th</sup> with articles including DSA, KYG, Ambassadors, SLF, & Centennial Year wrap up .

Report is attached.

### International Programs

Bobbi Flowers announced that Idaho has one yearlong exchange student from Japan living in Payette County and is having a wonderful time. Bobbi also announced that we had Idaho delegates in Japan and Australia; Friends of 4-H awarded \$2500 in scholarships and will do this again for the 2013 delegates; Inbound programs for next year will be students from Japan, Norway, and Argentina. Outbound programs will be to the following countries: Japan, Argentina, Finland, Australia, and Tanzania. Applications for Student Outbound Programs is January 15<sup>th</sup>. Chaperones are needed for all Outbound destinations and can get applications from Bobbi and they are due January 4<sup>th</sup>.

Report is attached.

### Idaho 4-H Youth Horse Council

Idaho did really well at the National Horse Contest.

No written report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### 2012 State Leader's Forum Report

Carma Scheer reported that there is 160 registrations for SLF with 80 of those register guests attending Friday nights Gala. She reports that things are running very smoothly and that it looks like it is going to be a great event. She told us that the hospitality rooms are 131 & 132 and to make sure we visited them.

### 2013 State Leader's Forum Planning Report

It is scheduled for November 7-9<sup>th</sup> at Fort Hall. It will be at the new casino. They are well under way for the planning and are excited to be hosting.

### DSA

Debbie Lowber, reporting for Beth Carter, told us that Beth received 5 DSA applications from District I, 7 DSA applications from District II, and a full slate from District III, and unfortunately none from District IV. This years roster of DSA recipients was awesome.

### Ways & Means

JoAnne Fortier reported that this was all covered in her other report.

### Public Relations & Communications

Carma Scheer reported that the Times News out of Twin Falls has been running a set of stories about 4-H. Facebook is a new avenue that is promising to be successful. Dr. Carrie Stark warned us that we should not be tagging any of the pictured youth. If we find that they have been tagged, we need to remove the tag.

### Centennial Celebration

Dr. Carrie Stark told us that there were 135 or 136 Centennial Families equaling up to 21,000 years of 4-H; there were 15,000 hours of Service with Idaho County reaching 5500 of that total; they had 400 people at the Lemhi birthday bash; they had 250 youth that attended Ag Days at Moscow. These figures will all be in the Annual Report. She also reported that she would like to continue on with the Centennial Families and the Service Hours. She feels that these are two important areas of recognition that needs to continue. They are working on a database for the 4-H alumni.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### By-laws Committee

Maurine Johnson reported that we revised Article 5 section 1a-Composition of Executive Council. It will read: An Executive Council will be the governing body of the Association. This council shall be composed of three (3) adult leaders, two (2) teens, and one (1) University of Idaho Extension Educator (ex-officio) elected by each of the four (4) Extension District 4-H Leader Associations. All these members will have one vote. The Collegiate 4-H, Idaho Youth Horse Council, Endowment Board, Dean's Advisory Board and International Programs will each have one representative on the council. The State Director or designee will serve as ex-officio member without a vote.

Bobbi Flowers moved to accept these revisions. Maurine Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Maurine than reported that we revised Article 6 section 2-Officers. It shall read: The Executive Council shall elect its own officers from among adult 4-H leaders that have shown an interest and have attended 2 or more State meetings in the year prior to the election process. No more than two (2) officers may be from the same district. Officers will be elected annually at the annual fall meeting. Officers will be installed at the time of the annual meeting and begin their term of office immediately following the annual fall meeting.

Debbie Lowber moved to accept these revisions. Bobbi Flowers seconded the motion. Motion carried.  
Debbie will update those provisions in the Idaho State Handbook.

#### Salute to Excellence Nominations 2012:

They will be announced at the Banquet on Saturday. Both individuals are well deserving of this award. The committee only received 2 for each category.

#### 2013 WRLF Reports:

There have been 15 requests made. Three are 1<sup>st</sup> timers and there are two teen applications. Discussion continued from the Treasurers report about the \$5015 that is budgeted for scholarships. Linda Webb reported that \$1754 that is the interest for 2012 has not been sent to the State Leaders Association yet and those funds might be used to offset the lack of the \$2000 for Friends of 4-H.

Debbie Lowber moved to use the \$5015 and the \$1754 to be divided amongst the eligible applications (for a total of 15 that would equal approx. \$451 to be awarded as scholarships). Bobbi Flowers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Debbie thanked the Idaho Friends of 4-H for supporting the volunteers. Debbie also reported that she would get the applications in to the Friends of 4-H for the \$2000 for next year.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### Concerns from Districts:

##### DSA

Tass Heim reported that there were some questions asked by District IV about the application time line. Missy Cummings said that the due dates come just as they are in the swing of their fair and it is very hard to meet that deadline. Discussion on the due date ensued. The discussions lead to the conclusion that the due date should stay the same, but that doesn't stop the Districts from changing their deadlines. They could choose their DSA recipients at any time that is convenient for them and turn them into the DSA Chairman. (Example: District IV could choose their DSA recipients in May and turn them in to the DSA Chairman in June).

District III had an issue arise with their DSA Nominations. Miss communications lead Twin Falls to have two DSA Nominations. Twin Falls Leaders Council will pay for the other plaque because of their error.

#### Chaperones

Mary Davidson brought up an issue that arose in District III. A chaperone from District III was asked to go on a National trip by another District, now that chaperone is asking District III to help cover her costs. District III is questioning this because we didn't have any kids going. Mary asked if the State Leaders Association could help with this issue. Tass Heim answered that it was between the chaperone and the district that she chaperoned for to figure out the issue. The chaperone is asking the wrong District to help. She thought that, yes it would be common courtesy to have the Districts help out with the chaperones that they asked to chaperone for them.

#### Election of 2013 Officers:

President: Carma Scheer

Vice President: Bobbi Flowers

Secretary: Debbie Buxton

Treasurer: Debbie Lowber

#### Next Meeting Date

Bobbi Flowers moved to hold the next meeting Feb.15 at 6:00 pm in conjunction with KYG at the Red Lion in Boise. Maurine Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 12:07p.

Respectfully Submitted

Roxanne Berheim

State Leader's Association Executive Council Secretary