Idaho State Leaders Association
Executive Council Meeting
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June 7, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE:

District I - JoAnne Fortier, Jim Wilson, Bobbi Flowers

District II - Beth Carter, Debbie Lowber, Tim Lowber, Jana Kemp, Maureen Johnson, Melissa McDaniel

District III - Donna Gillespie, Donna Tverdy, Shaylee Berheim, Roxanne Berheim

District IV - Bonnie Caywood

CALL TO ORDER:
President Debbie Lowber called the meeting to order at 7:00pm MST

INTRODUCTIONS:
Introductions were made around the room.

AGENDA REVIEW:
No items added to agenda.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:
Minutes from the Feb. meeting were read. Tim Lowber moved to accept the minutes as written. Bonnie Caywood seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written.

REPORTS:
Treasurer Report & Budget Review:
JoAnne Fortier presented the report on the current activity. Budget was corrected. Under 2011 Actual, only $500.00 was spent on Hall of Fame, not the $ 600.00 listed. JoAnne has not received Teen Conference scholarship bill yet. Debbie Lowber explained that 11 scholarships were given, not ten.

Report is attached.

District I
Leader’s trainings continue had Demo Training, College Scholarships given out, Horse events and Dog clinics underway, Ambassador’s Annual Challenge. Reported much Robotics growth in District. 31 members from Kootenai County attending Teen Conference, 3 members going to Australia, and 1 to Costa Rica. Equine Herpes outbreak moved horse show to July 9th.
District II
New Leader’s trainings continue, Day Camps in Ada, Canyon, and Gem/Boise are going well; Mini Forum had over 60 attend. Gearing up for three Adventure Camps – have 40+ camp counselors! Beef Field Day had over 100 participants; Lamb Field Day had over 70 participants. 89 delegates from Dist. II going to Teen Conference, five youth going to National Conference. Gem/Boise County 4-H Vista Volunteer translated Adventure Camp documents into Spanish with positive results.

District III
Wildlife Camp well attended, currently in middle of 2 day (overnight) Lamb camp, ready for summer camps, 20+ youth to Teen Conference. No horse events until after July 20th because of Equine Herpes outbreak. Discussed WRLF (good turnout and excellent workshops!) Explained that “things are tough in Blaine County – no staff right now.” Fishing camp was successful with a trip to a frog farm, nurseries. District III has pistol equipment and is planning a July 16th Archery Competition.

District IV
STILL HAVE SNOW on ground! Hard to get in and get ready for summer camps. Livestock camps up and running with Leader’s Trainings planned for fall.

Friends of 4-H
Tim Lowber reported that the committee is re-evaluating board duties and planning a fundraiser connected to the 100th year of 4-H in Idaho. There will be a huge push for fundraising at State Leader’s Forum in the fall. Proposals for funds are due by July 31st. They had 100 applications for Friends of 4-H College Scholarships and awarded eleven scholarships at $1,000.00 each.

Dean’s Advisory Board
No report: Andy Smyth not present.

4-H Advisory Board
No report. Will meet on June 27th.

Leader’s Corner
Deadline for fall edition of Leader’s Corner is Monday, July 11th. Three issues will be available each year; April, late August, and December. Thank you, Bobbi, for the extensive research done on Leader’s Corner Printing Bids. $1,356.76 for mailing of fall issue was discussed. This figure is well under the budgeted $3000. Maureen Johnson moved to accept bid. JoAnne second. Motion passed. April Leader’s Corner is on line. Idaho State 4-H site under State Leader’s Association tab.

Jana Kemp announced that the U of I is currently working with two 4-H Idaho State websites. The new site will be “up” by October 1, 2011. The current site will disappear by Oct 1, 2011. Therefore, some of the “new” news is posted, but only on the “new” site. Jana will be working around the Districts to oversee the volunteer pages.
International Programs
Bobbi Flowers announced that LABO is working with seven different countries. We have 5 Norwegians, 2 from Finland, and 14 from Japan coming to Idaho. At this time, Japanese students are still looking for host homes. Debbie Lowber asked if Bobbi could speak with Claudine about the number of youth we host annually. She mentioned that it seems we are always searching for host homes at the very end and can we lower our host numbers to a more manageable number? Bobbi is going to discuss with Claudine. At this time, we have 3 youth going to Mongolia, 2 youth going to Costa Rica.

Idaho 4-H Youth Horse Council
Andria Brotnov was not present but it was announced that Shelby Miller has passed the Idaho Horsemanship Award.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2011 State Leader’s Forum Report
Beth Carter, Tim Lowber, Marti Araquistain- 2011 SLF will be held Nov 4 – 6th with Adult registration at $75.00 and youth at $65.00 early bird. Late registration will be $90.00 for Adult and $80.00 for youth. SLF will be held at Doubletree Riverside in Boise. Next Leader forum planning committee meeting will be held on July 6th. Everyone is asked to PROMOTE AUCTION AND SILENT AUCTION ITEMS !!!!

2012 State Leader’s Forum Planning Report
Donna Gillespie reported that planning has begun. Locations sought are Twin Falls, Sun Valley, or Burley. Committees are up & running working on the details. Meet again Sept. 23rd. Details coming soon.

DSA
DSA applications are due to District Leaders no later than July 1st. Photos of County DSA winners needed to Beth Carter by September 1st.

Ways & Means
JoAnne Fortier reported that no real report except that invoices for dues will be sent out shortly.

Public Relations & Communications
No report: Tass Heim not present

OLD BUSINESS:

Teen Conference Scholarships:
Originally only ten were going to be awarded. A change was needed and eleven $50.00 scholarships were given to chaperones.

2011 WRLF Reports:
Well attended. Despite hitting an iceberg and having many on board become ill, it was a great event! Over 700 people on cruise were 4-H related and the workshops were excellent. It was well planned and
great fun! If anyone has photos of the cruise, they are needed. Please contact Jana Ferris with Washington State with photos. Jana Kemp stated that she gained valuable conflict resolution training from the workshops and one of her favorite sayings was “Fairness + Consistency = less drama!” The only thing it lacked was the intimacy and camaraderie normally found at WRLF. Donna & Roxanne both reported on the “Middle Management Workshop”. Both found this very informative.

UI Extension updates (budgets, merger, participation fee, etc.):
No report - Arlinda Nauman.
Debbie Lowber reported that the merger is official as of July 1. There has been no official word from Dr. Conner. Arlinda is planning to retire between Dec 31st and June of 2011. She will be greatly missed. Claudia Riegel is getting married and her position has been posted for May 22 & 23 at State Office. Congratulations! OMK Director Sue Philley is retiring in July of 2011. Lots of changes in effect at the State Office. Also the details behind the 2010 State Fee Collection will be in the December issue of Leader's Corner.

Hall of Fame Update:
Deb Lowber expressed displeasure over having the nomination deadline extended. It was mentioned that the awardees will be notified so that they may attend State Leader’s Forum. Winners have not been announced.

Idaho 4-H Centennial Committee Update:
Bobbi Flowers stated the last meeting was cancelled. She also mentioned that logos will be reviewed next week and winner selected. It was stated that there were quite a few entries. Jana stated that the Committees are busy working on their respected areas.

2011 Congress Chaperones:
Debbie Lowber asked that we all submit chaperone suggestions to Monika Riegel as soon as possible. So far no one has been submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

2011-2012 Policies and Procedures:
Suggested changes for 2012 P&P. It was mentioned that this has already been done for 2011 – 2012 by the Advisory Board P&P Committee. Jim Wilson added that the terminology in the P&P should be “cleaned up” between the “shoulds” and “musts.” We are still striving to get the consistence throughout the publication. If you have additions or corrections that need to be made to the Policy & Procedures contact one of the Committee members: Laura Sant, Jim Wilson, Roxanne Berheim, Tass Heim.

Salute to Excellence Nomination (2012) Chairs/Committee:
“Salute to Excellence Nominations should be into State Office no later than December 1st. Steve Johnson was awarded the Salute to Excellence for 2011 for Ten Years and Under. Mary Davidson was awarded the Salute to Excellence for 2011 for Ten Years and Over.
Debbie Lowber asked for a volunteer to step forward to work on this. Bobbi Flowers volunteered to stay. Debbie Lowber said that it was still open to others to help. Dec. 1st is the due date.

2012 WRLF (Wyoming) Invite:
Dates are set for 12 – 15th of January, 2012 in Cheyenne. Theme is “Western Rendezvous under Western Skies”.

2012 Officer Nomination Committee:
Tass Heim, Maureen Johnson, and Bobbi Flowers are on the nomination committee for November. Positions needed are President Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Issues of concern from Districts
District I - None
District II - None
District III - None
District IV - None

Other
Donna Gillespie promoted a book called “4-H Stories From The Heart.” Donna has copies in Minidoka County for $ 15.00 each. Proceeds go to the Hall of Fame and it was suggested that this book would be a great DSA gift in each county. The IA-4HA published it.

Next Meeting Date
Bobbi Flowers moved to hold the next meeting Nov. 4 at 10 am prior to the SLF being held at the Double Tree and Roxanne Berheim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting date will be Nov. 4 at 10 am prior to the SLF being held at the Double Tree. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Roxanne Berheim
State Leader’s Association Executive Council Secretary