

Lincoln County 4-H Horse Leaders' Meeting
Lincoln County Fairgrounds
Davenport, Washington
March 2, 2009
Web Version*

Those attending:

Justine W., Lydia W., Tamara W., Jerry E., Sherry E., Kaleah G., Darla G., Robin N., Dusti C., Jeanie C., Diane B., Bridget Rohner.

Meeting called to order at 7:05. Introductions around the table were made.

MINUTES

The minutes from the August 4th, 2008 meeting were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

An official report with totals in accounts was not made because Denise was not at tonight's meeting. However, Denise had reported to Jeanie that a deposit of \$125 (Moonlight Riders disbanding) was made, and a check in the amount of \$250 for scholarships was written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

4-H Horse Spring Clinic – April 11th; Ideas, possible workshops were discussed; Jeanie and Darla both volunteered to help.

Dusti's Clinic – The date of the clinic will be either June 14th or June 20th.

Summer Sizzler – July 11th; Robin has agreed to be chairperson for this event.

Fair – August 27th through August 30th.

NEW BUSINESS

Kaleah G. introduced a proposal for an additional class – a musical riding (performance) class. Kaleah handed out some information that outlined the proposal which included an overview of the class. Everyone agreed it was a good idea. A concern was brought up about a judge not knowing how to judge this class. The Fair Board has to approve any new classes. Lydia will bring up this proposal at their meeting on Friday, March 6th. Also, Kaleah has agreed to do a demonstration at Dusti's Clinic.

Tamara brought up another idea for changes in the open horse show at Fair. She mentioned that the judge from last year's fair noted that there were a lot of older horses in the "5 and older" halter classes. The judge felt that we should have more age (horse) groups to give the youth with aged horses more of a chance to win a ribbon. It was suggested that instead of "5 and older," that there be additional age (horse) groups, such as "5-10" "10-15" "over 20", etc... Lydia will also take this suggestion to the Fair Board on Friday, March 6th.

Jerry made a motion to retain the same officers from last year. They are:

Facilitators: Jeanie Campbell, Robin N.

Treasurer: Denise W.

Secretary: Tamara W.

Tamara announced her resignation as secretary, effective at the end of the '08-'09 4-H year – October 1st.

Bridget talked about the budget cuts that will likely affect WSU. She said they are anticipating a 50-75 percent reduction in public service. She will know more in April and will keep us informed.

Robin will email Ann Garrett and see if she will judge at fair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jerry told us about the Ridge Riders' Spring Clinic. The dates are March 28th through the 31st. The instructor is Tara Johnson. Beginners to advanced are welcome. The cost is \$75.00 for the 4 days.

Robin said that Spokane's 4-H Clinic is taking place during spring break. The classes take place at various places. The cost is \$10.00 per day. There is some information about this clinic on the 4-H website.

The Tack Swap in Spokane at the Fairgrounds is March 14th.

Bridget shared the 2009 State Fair equine schedule:

- Sept 10-14 – Senior Performance (all counties)
- Sept 12 – Horse Judging Contest and Groom Squad
- Sept 14-17 – Senior Western Games
- Sept 18-21 – Dressage and Harness
- Sept 20 – National Equine Presentations
- Sept 21-24 – Intermediate Performance
- Sept 24-27 – Intermediate Western Games

Bridget also read the bio of a woman who is interested in horse judging. The Horse Leaders will keep her information for future reference.

The Moonlight Riders 4-H Club in Davenport has disbanded. Money from their club was donated to the Horse Leaders' Scholarship Fund and the 4-H Leaders' Council. Bridget read off a list of items that was donated by the club. If anyone or any group is interested in obtaining any of the items on the list, contact Bridget. She will get approval from the Leaders' Council. Bridget has the list of items as well as the Horse Leaders.

The ID sheet, horse program policy, etc. has been sent to 4-H members.

Next meeting will be April 6th.

Diane made motion to adjourn, Justine seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara W.
Secretary