

Leaders Association Meeting Minutes

by **Kathy Giberson**, Secretary, Clark County 4-H Leaders' Association

July 18, 2006, at CASEE.

Board members present – **Jeff Miltenberger**, President; **Peggy Gresham**, Vice President; **Becky Meats**, Treasurer; **Kathy Giberson**, Secretary; **Janet Belcoff**, Leaders Association Fair Board Representative.

4-H Office staff present: **Doug Stienbarger**, Director of the WSU Clark County Extension; **Maureen Witters**, 4-H Clubs Program Coordinator; **Marcia Wannamaker**, 4-H Assistant/Program Support.

Meeting called to order by **Jeff Miltenberger** at 7:05 p.m.

Announcement

Doug Stienbarger informed the group that **Karen Poulin**, Faculty, 4-H Youth Development, had been diagnosed with ovarian cancer and would be having surgery the following Wednesday.

Note: Karen's surgery and subsequent treatment have gone well. Karen returned to the Extension office in September.

Program Updates

- **Maureen Witters** introduced **Monica Harmon** as the New Leader of the 4-H Ambassador's Club. Maureen said that the club was looking for new members and that a recruitment flyer is available for interested members in the 7th grade to age 19.
- Maureen also announced that name tags are available for leaders.

Count Down to Clark County Fair

Discussion lead by **Janet Belcoff**.

- Unloading of projects on Wednesday before fair.
- State fair commissioner
- Superintendents' luncheons August 7, 12:00 to 2:00 and August 10, 12:00 to 2:00.
- Superintendents still in need of judges. County will not pay without a signed contract.
- Introduction of forms to fill out for incident of accident.
- Discussion on the warning signs of e-coli. Hand washing stations – lots more than last year. No food or drink in barns. Beware of dirty hands. Set an example for the public.
- Germ City – looking for volunteers.
- Communication with 4-H superintendents during fair: Janet asked for a concession of leaders to meet in the afternoons. No feed back at this time. Will set time and place and give to superintendents.
- Discussion on Passport to Fun and Dinosaurs.
- Critique meetings – Still life, August 26 and Livestock, August 24.

State Fair Discussion

- **Kirk Gresham** and **Dr. Jack Giesey**, SW Washington Representatives for 4-H State Fair, discussed State fair project communications - need input on concerns.
- **Marcia Wannamaker** handed out Clark County and State fair packages.

Treasurers Report

- Checking 1566.16
- Savings – 5070.94
- Scholarship – 2550.00 with 2000.00 allotment for 2006
- Certificate of deposit 3835.53
- Scholarship fund – need donations of gift baskets need by July 26.

4-H Leader of the Year!

Vet Science Superintendent, **Matt Wannamaker** informed the group that **Dr. Jack Giesy** had been named 4-H leader of the year. **Dr. Giesy** has served the Clark County 4-H program for 22 years and has served at the Washington State 4-H fair for 41 years.

Project Updates

- Poultry – 24 kids entering in fair
- Rabbits – 14 kids entering in fair
- Cavies – 5 kids entering in fair
- Cats – 9 kids entering in fair
- Dogs – Rally competition exhibition
- Horses – 2 area fairs – 90 kids each.
- Public Presentations – Blue for Senior, Intermediate and Junior can go to state. Presentations at fair available. 4-H in action a good practice.
- Llamas – Lots of fun at Harvest days
- Still Life – Sign-up times available for Clark County fair. Building at Harvest looking great.
- Record Books will not be released at fair this year. Date forth coming.
- Service Dogs – getting things together.
- Canaries – working on things.
- Educational Displays – Ready
- Vet science – need help for fair. New location in FFA barn.
- No comments from – Sheep, Wool, Goats, Swine, Dairy, Beef

Further Business

- **Nancy Peck**, State Fair Non-Animal Superintendent and Clark County Kitchen Activity/Sewing Superintendent discussed Commodity sign up for State 4-H fair.
- **Nancy Peck** also announced that at the Clark County fair the 4-H Sewing project will have a sewing machine available and open to the public to make pillows for a breast cancer project.
- **Sharon Wannamaker** – Ribbon requests received and prepackaged. Sharon discussed times for superintendents to pick-up ribbons during the Clark County fair. If superintendents need special ribbons see **Vione Graham**, 4-H Still Life Building Coordinator for Clark County fair, or **Kathy Wyatt**. Sharon also discussed supplies available for projects during the fair.
- Don't forget Clark County fair Clean up day!

- **Vione Graham** discussed improving educational displays at the Clark County fair and new awards for still life educational posters.
- **Kirk Gresham** asked leaders to remind members that participation in 4-H in Action at the county level is good practice for state.
- Area IV Barn and ground lease - council wants us to sign. For electrical hookup we need \$3000.00.
- Clark County Fair \$500,000 improvement make at fair. Water drainage, new breakers
- Peggy Gresham discussed the Recognition night event. Take pictures of unique things. Recognition of clubs – pictures. Will be end of September or in October.

4-H Hall of Fame!

Sharon Marble announced that **Dave and Louise Owen** will be inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame.

Fair Superintendent Meetings followed.