

DISTRICT 8 LEADERS MEETING
October 11, 2008
Carter County Host, Ekalaka, Montana

Registration started at 10:00-am, welcome given by Mikel Fruit, President of Carter County 4-H Council. Jolinda Allerdings gave a talk on District 3 Leadership Forum she attended in Great Falls. We made a fall candle craft before lunch was served.

Meeting was called to order by chairperson, Carla Leonhardt. Pledges stated.

Roll call by Counties: Carter County- Mike and Tamara Morgan, Mardee and Emma Guyer, Leva Bonsell, Sandy Butler, Sharon Higgins, Mikel Fruit, Virginia Rednar, Cole Ketchum, Thebea and Norella Thomas, Linda Wyrick, Custer County- Mary Squires, Fallon County-Sharon Schwartz and Jolinda Allerdings, Powder River- Kerry Gardner, Rosebud- Rita Watson, Carla Leonhardt and Ken Nelson, McCone County Extension Agent, Bonnie and Mike Nelson, quests.

Kerry moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes, 2nd by Mary, motion passed.

REPORTS:

Extension: Sharon Schwartz spoke about new people in the State Office - Shannon Romero, new 4-H Program Coordinator, Carole Benesh- new Curriculum and Outreach Specialist, Todd Kesner- Ag and Natural Resources Coordinator, and Sandra Germann is the new Foundation Director and Martha Klaumann is the Office Manager for the Foundation.

Carla had the new Event and Opportunity Guide and mentioned that all of the information is on line with the Montana 4-H website.

4-H Council: Carla brought a display "Get Involved" from the Montana 4-H State Council that shows projects for youth and adult activities supported by leader dues and the selling of 4-H license plates. Carla said the goals the State Council is Recruitment and Education for Leaders.

Treasurer: Kerry read Treasurer report prepared by Cathy Murnion, District 8 Treasurer.

9/23/07		10/11/08	
\$1940.22	Leader's	\$2060.04	Leader's starting balance
<u>\$119.82</u>	Ambassador's	\$1305.00	Mini Congress income
\$2060.04	BALANCE TOTAL	<u>\$802.28</u>	Mini Congress expense
		\$2562.76	BALANCE TOTAL

Ambassador Report: District Mini Congress held in Miles City High School was very successful for the 2nd year in row. There was representation from most counties and again the Teen Leaders from District 8 did an outstanding job. District Ambassadors and Teen Leaders will have a meeting on Sunday November 9th @ 1:00pm at the Fair Building to make some decisions on Mini Congress and upcoming Rec Lab in 2009.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rec Lab is scheduled for March 20-22, 2009 in Forsyth, MT. Ken Nelson discussed the Rec Lab 2005 held in Circle, Montana. He had brought his notes and Carla will make copies and distribute them to committee chairs. He mentioned success with an IFFE Student, using local 4-H families as hosts for workshop presenters who need housing, information on meals, using a theme for workshops, deadline information, etc. He reminded all District 4 will be hosting Leadership Forum for 2009 and they are working out some details on that event.

Carla had Rec Lab Committee breakdown and counties volunteered to do their part.

Entertainment: District Teen Leaders- Carter County, Leva Bonsell and Emma Guyer, Co-Chairpersons

Facilities and Meals and Food: Rosebud- Treasurer Counties, Carla and Rita Co-Chairpersons

Pizzazz-hospitality and Workshops: Custer County, Gina and Mary Co-Chairpersons

Registration: Prairie County, Sharla Sackman, Chairperson

Presenters: Fallon-Carter, Jolinda, Sharon Schwartz, Mikel and Cynde, Co-Chairpersons

Publicity and Evaluation: Powder River County, Kerry Chair

Other information on Rec Lab include the Theme, "Take the Green Challenge" after motion was made by Cynde, 2nd by Kerry and cost of \$50.00 with possible additional workshop fees with that motion made by Mikel, 2nd by Thebe. We will have Kathy Murnion ask for \$1000.00 start up money from the State Council.

A Conference Call will be on December 2nd @ 5:00pm to discuss progress on committee work and Carla will notify all with the necessary information needed to complete the call.

A meeting for February 1st, 2009 @ 1:00pm at the Fair Building in Miles City to finalize plans for all committees and finish up any other details.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ambassador Fall Training at Fairmont October 16-18, 2008 was discussed and District 8 is responsible for snacks for all participants. Carla mentioned Rosebud-Treasurer will supply drinks and asked that each county pay \$25.00 or supply equal amount of snacks for this event. She had list of ideas for snacks and she will be in charge of setting up the snacks and asked chaperones going to Fairmont help her with this.

Carla has fulfilled her term for Co-chairman of District 8 and Kerry thanked her for her past service in this District and as President of Montana State Leader's Council. Kerry

explained the duties of district chair person and nominated Mary Squires to represent this district and after some discussion Sharon Higgins made a motion that nominations cease and secretary cast for a vote and motion carried for Mary Squires to be our new Co-Chairman.

Mary discussed 4-H Foundation call for \$4.00/member, or \$40.00/club or \$400/county to help with the many youth and adult activities that they fund each year. This is in addition to what the counties already sent in support to the Foundation. She said there is a new brochure coming out in the near future illustrating the activities for youth and adults supported through the Foundation. She mentioned the hiring of Foundation Director, Sandra Germann and how she is working hard to promote the Foundation and its fund raising efforts.

Carla passed out District 8 Rotation and Montana 4-H Council By-Laws, Article 7- Districts information. District Co- Chairpersons names and addresses and Montana 4-H Council Treasurer information was also listed on this paper.

Rita made a motion to adjourn, Mike 2nd, motion carried and the next annual meeting will be hosted by Custer County 2009.

Rotations for meetings are:

Fallon 2010

Garfield 2011

Powder River 2012

Prairie 2013

Rosebud-Treasurer 2014

Wibaux 2015

Carter 2016.

Respectfully submitted by Kerry Gardner