4-H Leaders Council Meeting  
January 23, 2012

Unapproved minutes:

Attendance: Anita McCoy, Velvet Hiser, Carol Whitney, Rose Jones, Jan McDaniel, Geoellen Stretesky, Terry Stretesky, Keith Nachbar, Nancy Fenster, Jenea Goddard, Sue Anderson

Excused absence: Linda Montgomery

Unexcused absences: Joyce Kler, Kellie Olson, Vicki Pickett, Darin Rodgers, Deb Matlack,

Youth Leadership Council Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 & 6 - no members present

Guest: Brian Balfour

Call meeting to order- President Jenea Goddard

Pledges

Secretary’s report- Carol Whitney presented unapproved minutes from the November 28, 2011:
Motion by Terry Stretesky to approve minutes as corrected and modified, seconded by Anita McCoy, passed unanimously.

Treasurer’s report- Rose Jones and Sue Anderson presented the Profit and Loss statement from October 1, 2011 through January 23, 2012 – council reviewed


Old Business:

Brian Balfour: Read letter in response to November 28, 2011 meeting.

Budget Discussion - Rose Jones and Sue Anderson presented worksheet for 2011 – 2012 budget approval:
Notes from discussion:
*Council agreed to the withdrawal of funds from the account with the State 4H Foundation “Nola Jane Donation” of $250.00 per year to offset cost of FCS County Fair Awards

*Family night dinner cost went up considerable; the council as a whole recommended the meal cost go up to offset this cost. Formula using 250 attendees x new cost of meal, minus the amount donated from the Power Company then divides that total by 250 and that is the amount we should ask per plate.

*Sue asked that the council pay the shooting sports full registration to the state shooting contest in Douglas. Council requested that the Shooting sports committee present a request to the council at the meeting in February.

*Rose suggested that we add a line item amount for the “Tax Return” of $100.00 so that the council could send Charlie Prill a gift certificate for his services. Council agreed with this request.

*Carol Whitney requested new specie signs to be used at County and State Fair in each of the respective barns. Carol will bring quotes on signs and the pvc pipe to build frames to the February meeting.

Nancy Fenster moved to accept the budget as corrected, seconded by Terry Stretesky, passed unanimously.
Anita McCoy & Keith Nachbar - Report from Denver Award trip – great trip was neat to see the kids that saw new sites and experiences, just the right amount of activities for the amount of time.
Kids were wonderful. New friends were made.

WRLF reports:
Terry Stretesky was an amazing emcee in Cheyenne!
Carol Whitney: from Special Activities and Decoration committee which included Colleen Campbell as Chairman, co-chairs - Rose Jones and Carol Whitney: Special Activities included the flag ceremony that went quite well considering we could not practice in the actual location everyone was quite flexible and accommodating. Carol designed and printed the 1st timer’s certificates (all 96) that were given out during the State Meetings. We used decorations from the State leaders Conference held in Casper, with a few added Indian Paintbrushes on the stage, we were also able to reuse the wood picket fence stands that were made by the Trail Busters 4H club several years ago. Kistler Tent was kind enough to loan us pipe and drape at no charge. Our committee was also in charge of the Silent Auction – thanks to Rose Jones who really took up the slack there. We had a two day total of over $2,000.00 which according to past records topped all records. A big thanks to Jan McDaniel who helped check out people on Saturday at the closing of the auction.
Colleen was in charge of the Awards portion of the Saturday night banquet, it was amazing and everyone that received awards was thrilled with their Indian Paint Brush pottery tumblers and the awesome certificates designed by Sue Anderson.

The last count was approximately 270 people attending, over the expected number, we couldn’t thank Kim and Lindsey from UW for all of their hard work and dedication. We have heard nothing but great compliments from attendees about the organization, meals and entertainment, classes, silent auction, decorations, location and the friendly people of Wyoming.

Hawaii is next year in March, we hope to do some trading on days because the carnival is the same weekend, and we had guests from Hawaii that welcomed everyone to the 2013 WRLF. They certainly enjoyed their time in western Wyoming – went home with cowboy boots and hats and some new western slang.

Next year’s State Leaders Conference will be held in Rock Springs, more information to follow.

Newly elected officials of the State Leaders Conference were: Secretary – Karen York of Converse County and Treasurer is Lawrence Randall of Goshen County.
Sheri Blackburn is assistant director from Converse for the Central district

Rose Jones: great time – agreed with comments
Jan McDaniel: enjoyed the classes and networking
Terry & Geoellen Stretesky: Geoellen amazed at how some other states organize their clubs, by projects and likewise those states were surprised that we have more than one project areas in our clubs. They enjoyed two of the most amazing speakers, understanding the teen brain and Cowboy ethics was fantastic.
Colleen:
  - Presentation to Linda Montgomery, 35 year leader in Natrona County
  - Presentation to Terry Stretesky, Wyoming’s 2012 Outstanding Leader
  - Distribution of longtime leader plaques to Council members to distribute
  - Announcement – Natrona County’s Ticket #9 at WRLF
  - WRLF Reimbursement to leaders attending – Colleen will meet with Rose, Terry and Carol to determine how to divide the money budgeted.

Other Old Business: none

New Business:
One Minute Mastery: Terry Stretesky- “A committee of the whole” & “Consensus” a new insight on how to build an agenda for a meeting: Priority agenda, Subject based agenda, Strategic agenda, Presiding agenda and Consent agenda. Terry presented this information based on a class he took at the WRLF 2012.

Other New Business:
Educator Report: Colleen Campbell

1. Natrona County 4-H Club Charters – No charter has been received from the Rockn Ranglers Club in Glenrock
2. Operation Military Kids – month of the Military Child; April 25-29
3. Parking & rodeo programs fundraisers request for 2012 – the council as a whole approves
4. Presentation to CWF Board February 27th & Dr. Duane Williams, UW Extension, will visit our Council meeting afterwards

Motion to Adjourn.

2012 dates for regular 7:00 PM meetings: (Youth Leadership Council from 6-7 PM)

January 23-- budget approval meeting
February 27 – Colleen will give a presentation to the CWF Board as Pete Greiner is the last remaining member who knows the history of 4H and their involvement in the County Fair. Dr. Duane Williams will be her guest that evening at the Fair Board meeting and our council meeting.
April 23
June 25
September 24
November 26