



**Fond du Lac County 4-H Executive Board
Meeting September 8, 2009**

Meeting called to order by President Cindy Sheskey at 7:00

Group building exercise and presentation of 4-H Club use of time by Marie Stafford

Secretary's Report – John Hawk Approved unanimously

Treasurer's Report – JoAnn Maedke Reviewed the report and the report requires corrections

Thank You's – Cole Tidemann, Jacob Waldschmidt, Ryan Costello, Zoe Albert, Hanna Bryant, Nicole Ries, Brianna Biermann, Josh Knowlton, Kelsey Cobb, Dominic Thiesen, Alexis Newton, FDL Rocket Team, FDL Co Market Livestock Committee – Tari Costello, Danielle VanLoo, American Spirit Trip - Brian Narges, Lucas Bauer

Old Business

Leader Banquet – November 17, NorthWinds, Eden. Program still to be determined

Status of the Executive Board Nominations: Names are being collected

Trip and Key Award Interviews – Volunteers needed to do the interviews

Achievement Night – October 19 @ 7:00, need volunteers to hand out awards

Family Learning Day Committee - volunteers needed to plan event

Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference: Applications due September 15, Have the Record Book committee look into schedule for applications

Ambassador's Report – Marie Need members who will be active this year. Will meet 4th Monday at UWEX, see Marie about joining

Junior Leader's Report – Jacob Bertram and Kristen Gunnink Kickball Tournament in August - 17 players attended. Junior Leader's are transitioning leadership due to graduation and will new elect leaders.

New Business

Title for the Board – Change the name to “Fond du Lac County 4-H Executive Board” to better represent the members of board including youth members. Approved unanimously

Charter Renewal – Completion of form, needed by December 1, 2009

Membership – Member issue (confidential)

Horse Bowl – Asking for \$440 to attend competition in Columbus, Ohio. A motion was made to have a member of the Executive Committee of the Horse Board to make a presentation to the Fond du Lac County 4-H Executive Board before awarding the grant. Motion approved unanimously.

Auditor for the Leader Association books – Approved the use of the same auditor as previous year. Payment will be made to JoAnn for her stipend.

October 27, at 7:00 – 8:30 General Leader's Meeting Agenda

Social – Marie will prepare

Business – Charter Renewal, Budget, Elections, Youth Report, American Spirit Presentation

Education – Help with club annual plan, Subjects and events to include as part of the annual plan. Kristen, Jacob and Jeanna will make the presentation

Fund Raising – Cream Puff eating contest for next County Fair, getting businesses to help (sponsor) events like the basketball tournament. Club donations to sponsor 4-H events. Board needs to explain why funds are needed. The next committee meeting is September 24 at 7:00 p.m.. Bud Discher presented an LED fundraising idea

Marketing and promotions – Marie made a short presentation. To increase the number of youth in 4-H, Marie will meet with every club in the county, and identify membership needs. Clubs should promote National 4-H week: Thursday October 8, Open House in Eden; October 10 at Brandon Depot Park. Working on the FDL 4-H website

Fall Forum Updates – In Stevens Point on October 17, 2009. The required leader training will be presented at event, an adult and youth will attend. They will bring information back for training in the county. The Fall Forum requested a donation for the Silent Auction held at the event. Board will send a \$20 Culvers Gift certificate for the auction. Jeannette and Kristin Gunnick will go to meeting.

Use of 350 (approx.) registered volunteers – Discussion of how best to use the Adult Leaders to improve 4-H and increase the youth membership

General Leader's Meeting Dates for next year - October 27, 2009 (Tuesday) @ 7:00; March 20, 2010 (Saturday) @ 9:00 am and August 24, 2010 (Tuesday) @ 7:00

Executive Board Meetings - Budget Planning meeting October 22, at 7:00, Executive Board Meeting November 24th 7:00 - Charter Renewal paperwork

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.