

LEWIS AND CLARK 4-H FOUNDATION

MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING, January 6, 2021

The meeting was called to order by president, Joe Munis, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams, so all attendance was virtual. Attendees included: Michelle Eckhart, Janet Cerovski, Kathryn Dunkelberger, Henley Sexton, Sean Maharg, Karyn Hamilton, Joe Munis, Lisa DeWitt, and Vikki Bohlman, Kara Tangedal.

Karyn Hamilton moved that the minutes be approved as written. Michelle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Janet Cerovski presented the Treasurer's Report. Janet reported that receipts from the sponsorship letters is up to approximately \$8,000. An additional \$1,700 was received after January 1, and two sponsors increased their giving: Montana Propane and TriCounty Motors. Expenditures included \$2,200 for facemasks for the fundraising efforts. Discussion was held on the need to followup with "reminder postcards" to those who had not yet responded. Joe Munis and Janet Cerovski will ensure that these are distributed.

OLD BUSINESS

Project Sponsorships was brought up as a previously tabled topic. Kara Tangedal was interested in having the Foundation discuss this, as well as applications and equity, particularly since some project scholarships have been discontinued. This should be a broad discussion for the Foundation. Vikki Bohlman requested that background information on this be distributed for all to review prior to a discussion; Lisa DeWitt agreed, and will put together some information for board members.

Fundraising: A discussion was held around the 4-H facemasks purchased as a fundraising project. Assistance is needed in getting the sales going and getting the facemasks distributed. Joe Munis and Lisa DeWitt agreed to attend the upcoming 4-H Council meeting to promote the fundraiser, as well as at the upcoming Youth Council meeting. Sean Maharg, Karyn Hamilton, and Michelle Eckhart agreed to pick up 50 masks each for their clubs to begin selling. Discussion was held around how to incentivize clubs to participate in the fundraiser, e.g. a percentage of sales? Henley Sexton indicated that rather than just a "first place" there should be three "prizes. The Youth Council will be consulted for input as to exactly what the prizes should be. Additionally, discussion was held on having the "award" based on average sales per member in a club, thereby providing a level playing field for both large and small clubs. This will also be discussed with the Youth Council for agreement.

Additionally, for fundraising, Joe Munis indicated that he had contacted MT FWP for an update on a Fishing Derby as a fundraiser. This is still a tentative plan for the coming year.

Karyn Hamilton reported that David Hamilton is working on a new sign for the front and back of the Bill Hamilton Building. David Hamilton will do the follow-up on this, and Karyn will report back to the Foundation.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held as to the activities that may take place in person this year. Communication Day will be virtual, but Grand Foods will take place following Covid Guidelines, as will the Fashion Review. There will not be a shooting sports invitational. Jackpot is in the planning process, as are Fair activities.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., tentatively at the Extension Office.

Lisa DeWitt, Foundation Secretary