

LEWIS AND CLARK 4-H FOUNDATION

Meeting Minutes for November 4, 2020

Quickbooks is \$35/month. Was budgeted in for the Council, and Foundation provided money to council, so the foundation is kind of paying for it. Erin wanted to know if Council was taking this over??

In attendance were:

Joe Munis, Kara Tangedal, Zoe Schneider, Beverly Schneider, Lisa DeWitt, Lindsey Volpe, Janet Cerovski, Michelle Eckhart

Virtually attendance: Sean Maharg, Henley Sexton, Karyn Hamilton

Called to order by Joe Munis at 5:35.

Janet Cerovski moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as written. Bev Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The financial report was provided by Janet Cerovski. She indicated that there was no significant change to the report that was provided at the Annual Meeting. She is working with the Bank to get the names on the account updated so that the few bills brought up at the annual meeting can be paid.

Assignments for the following standing committees for the Foundation were made as follows:

Budget committee – Janet Cerovski, Bev Schneider

Capital Campaign: Joe Munis, Janet Cerovski, Karyn Hamilton, Michelle Eckhart, Lindsay Volpe

Sponsorship letters were discussed. These need to be written and sent out. Janet Cerovski noted that from last year's report, 300 letters were sent, the Foundation received 33 donations by January 1, and 20 additional donations were received by February. Sponsors need to get put into exhibitor handbook, and that is generally an incentive for a deadline. Joe Munis, Karyn Hamilton, and Janet Cerovski volunteered to meet and draft this year's letter. Janet Cerovski had a quote from Action Print for stationery, and to save costs the letters could be printed at the Extension Office.

Kara Tangedal reported that she had applied for a Montana Foundation grant for equipment to more easily conduct virtual meetings, in the hopes that it could be available for use throughout the program. Additionally, Kara requested that the Foundation discuss a process for fundraising alignment and equity throughout the program. This topic was tabled for the next meeting.

Fundraising ideas for the coming year were then the topic of discussion. With Covid restrictions, the ability to conduct many activities is uncertain. The following are fundraising concepts brought up for discussion in the future meetings:

Fun run or walk (virtual races)

Facemask with 4-H emblem sales

Fishing derby – we can still do this during covid.

Turkey shoot

Raffle – the problem could be how much social interaction would be needed in selling tickets. It could be virtual/worked around.

Outdoor movies – Karyn thought we should try that again. Thinks we should talk to Kevin from the Fairgrounds about how that went.

Golf tournament

For the 2020-21 year, the Foundation will meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 2 at 5:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. Items on the Agenda will include the sponsorship letter, fundraising plans, and fundraising alignment and equity.

Lisa DeWitt

Secretary