**Gallatin County 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Minutes**

**Tuesday, February 4th, 2025 @ 6:00pm**

**Gallatin County Extension Office**

**Attendance:** Molly Yurdana, Sarah Capp, Sarah Brechbuhler, Ashley Casto, Randy Radke, Joey Knappenberger

Vice-President (acting President) Sarah C. called the meeting to order at 6:22 pm

Pledges: Skipped

Introduce Guests: No guests

Roll Call Question: *Are you enjoying winter or ready for spring?*

**Minutes/Financial Reports:**

* January Meeting minutes:
  + Randy motions to approve the Secretary Minutes, from the January meeting. Ashley seconds, motion passes.
* Meeting Treasurer’s/Bookkeeper’s Report (Colyn)
  + Beige Sheet = Balance Sheet; Blue Sheet = Budget vs. Actual; Green Sheet = Profit & Loss Detail (print in landscape orientation); Gold Sheet = Side Account Detail (print in landscape orientation); Peach Sheet = Reconciliation Summary and Detail (have checks cleared yet or not)
  + Profit and Loss Detail has the wrong date range

**Reading of Correspondence:**

* Early Reports/Guest Presentations: (Molly)
  + Thank you notes: Several thank you notes were passed around. They were written by youth members that had gone to the National 4-H Congress and the Legislative Breakfast. The notes expressed thanks to the ULC for helping with the costs of the events.
* Extension Office Report (Molly):
  + Enrollment ending: Enrollment closes March 1st. There are 662ish youth members, 141 volunteers.
* Youth Reports: (Molly)
  + Retreat: The Ambassador team had a very nice retreat and participated in some great team building activities.
  + Citizenship Seminar/Legislative Breakfast: There was a good showing from Gallatin County- around 24 members/volunteers. 6-7 Legislators from Gallatin County were present.
  + Assigning Ambassadors to ULC monthly meetings: Starting in March, there will be an Ambassador attending the ULC meetings.
* Financial Requests: None

**Old Business:**

* ULC Newsletter Report: (Molly) - due by the 23rd of each month.
  + Ashley for February - due February 23rd
* Bozeman Stampede: (Molly)
  + Kelly will be stepping back slightly in her role with the Stampede and Molly will be stepping more into that role as a liaison.
  + Thank you- Ashley and Kelly discussed a nice banner that can be displayed every year at fair and the Stampede. Molly will touch base with Kelly. There is the possibility of a discount if ordered around fair.
  + Stampede is set for August 6-10, 2025
* Club Ice Skating/Tubing Day Update: (Molly)
  + Discussed Bear Canyon. Sarah Capp to follow up with Bear Canyon, possibly March 2nd?

**New Business:**

* Montana Farmers Union: (All)
  + Sentence Grants: Clubs write one sentence stating what they will do with the $100.00. If they receive the grant, they are required to write a thank you. The Dag Nabids Club received one of the grants. They spent $50 on shelter animals and $50 for homeless children.
* Enrollment Deadline: (Molly)
  + There was discussion about making the enrollment deadline sooner than March 1- Maybe December/January/February.
  + Most projects have already had mandatory meetings by March and Clubs are already meeting. Have the deadline sooner would also help the office focus on other activities.
  + It would be fairly easy to enroll volunteers after the deadline and new families that are registering late would be considered on a case by case scenario.
  + No decision was made at this time.
* Annual Review: (All)
  + Review the report, mark it up and send in comments.
  + Edits should be in by February 10.
  + The report will be sent out to the membership.
* Rec Lab: (Molly)
  + Rec. Lab is March 28-30, 2025 in White Sulphur Springs. It is like indoor camping with lots of workshops. Theme is There is No Place Like $-H.
  + Stipends: Registration opens February 10, 2025. The registration will be $100 and then there will be a reimbursement.
  + Chaperones and drivers will be needed. Cars fill up fast with all the gear. Chaperones staying will need to register.

**Committee Reports:**

* Budget Committee: (Kelly)
  + No update
* Policies & Procedures: (Monika)
  + No Update
* Fundraising Committee: (Molly, Sarah C)
  + State AA Basketball events added. PowWow, Rodeo, Commencement are also listed
* Fair Concessions: (Molly)
  + No Update
* Recognition and Record Books Committee: (Molly)
  1. Molly to call Park County to follow up
* Leadership Development Committee: (Molly)
  1. Winter Workshop: The weather was bad that day and the roads were also bad. Club Officer training was taken off the agenda because there were not enough officers. There were quite a few younger members and Parli-Pro went well.
  2. Maybe there is a different way to train officers. Possibility of Ambassadors going to the clubs to do the training.
* County Contests Committee: Communications Day/Stir-Ups/Better Batter Baking: (Molly)
  1. Communications Day is February 21, 2025 at the 4-H Extension Office. There are about 20 kids
  2. Better Baking and Stir-Ups is February 22, 2025 at Herrick Hall. The MSU Culinary students are judging
* Summer Camp Committee: (Molly)
  1. At the last meeting the counselors bowled and played pool. The theme is Space
  2. Next meeting is February 17, 2025.
  3. There will be room for about 70 campers, priority being given to 4-H members
* Indoor Fair Committee: Molly/Joey
  1. Next meeting is February 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the Extension Office.
  2. Indoor Fair Committee will go over fairbook edits, discuss changing up the interview process, adding help to the Indoor displays during fair.
* Shooting Sports Committee: (Randy, Sarah B)
  1. Nothing new at this time
* Horse Committee: (Ashley)
  1. Meetings are going well. The Horse Project has grown and arena time is a challenge. There are great, new volunteers leading clinics.
  2. Next meeting February 18
* Market Livestock Committee: (Molly)
  1. Scheduling a meeting for all species
  2. Dog show will be Monday, most other shows staying in same slot
  3. Dairy cows will be arriving at the Fairgrounds earlier
  4. The asphalt pile is a hazard. There will be no motorsports in the arena.
  5. Ambassadors will be hosting a dance and there will be Sunday Pastries and Pictures again this year.
  6. Next meeting: Next Meeting: March 12
* Gallatin 4-H Foundation: (Molly)
  1. Met January 7
  2. Scholarships due February 14 to state, April 1st to county
  3. Finalized officers and budget, scholarships are live
  4. Give Big is coming up the first weekend in May
  5. Next meeting: April 24

**Announcements:**

* Next meeting is **Tuesday, March 5, 2025** at the Gallatin County Extension Office @ 6:00pm.

**Adjournment:**

* Ashley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 pm. Joey seconds, motion passes.