MAE4-HA Meeting

Extension Annual Conference – Bozeman

October 21, 2015

President Mandie Reed called the MAE4-HA meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. in the Strand Union Building, Ballroom C on October 21, 2015.

Members present were: Jesse Fulbright, Mandie Reed, Campbell Barrett, Svea Jorgensen, Tara Andrews, Meghan Phillippi, Nikki Bailey, Roubie Younkin, Jane Wolery, Roni Baker, Jerrica Seilstad, Todd Kesner, Kelton Jensen, Hayley Richards, Mary Meyer, Jodi Pauley, Shannon Arnold, Steve Sieglin, Wendy Becker, Ardis Oelkers, Sheila Friedrich, Josie Evenson, Sandra Germann, Martha Klaumann, Cody Stone, Sharla Sackman, Jeff Bader, Marsha Goetting, Dave Brink, Denise Seilstad, Tyler Lane, John Pfister, Kellee Anderson, Brett Schomer, Katie Hatlelid, Rose Malisani, Elin Kittelmann, Mary Anne Keyes, Wendy Wedum, Kendra Seilstad, Alice Burchak, Lisa Terry, Katrin Finch, Stephanie Davison, Katelyn Anderson, Verna Massey, Marc King, Tammy Walker, Brent Roeder.

Minutes from the July 8, 2015 meeting were distributed. Roubie Younkin moved to accept the minutes as distributed.

The Treasurer’s report was distributed. Treasurer Campbell Barrett stated that the checking account balance as of October 21st was $774.57. The Edward Jones Investment account balance was $28,204.39. The MAE4-HA Endowment account through the Montana 4-H Foundation has $1,013.23 of useable funds during FY 2015. The treasurer’s report was filed.

**Committee Reports**

**Programs:** Roni Baker present, no report. Roni would be willing to relinquish the role as chair of the Programs Committee.

**Member Recognition:** Jerrica Lind reported the following individuals will be receiving awards at the NAE4-HA meeting in Portland. Ardis Oelkers and Todd Kesner will receive 25 year service plaques. Elin Kittlemann will receive the A.S.A. Roubie Younkin and Mandie Reed will receive the D.S.A. Jane Wolery will receive the M.S.A. Specialty Awards winners from Montana were as follows: The Denise Miller Innovator Award- Nikki Bailey and Lisa Terry; and Excellence in Teen Programming- Mandie Reed, Jean Wallace, Sheila Crow and Shane Stender. Communicator Award winners from Montana were in the following categories: Feature Story- Jane Wolery, News Story- Jane Wolery, Personal Column, Jane Wolery, Radio Program- Jesse Fulbright, Jane Wolery, Kari Lewis, Alice Burchak, Joe Parks, Travis Standley and Wendy Wedum.

**Public Relations:** Jesse Fulbright present, no report.

**Membership**: Meghan Phillippi stated there are 11 agents going to the NAE4-HA meeting in Portland. Additionally, dues for the upcoming year will be going out shortly.

**Professional Development:** Tammy Walker present. Tammy is looking for ideas anyone might have for professional development.

**Policy and Resolutions**: Campbell Barrett present, no report.

**4-H Center Report:** Todd Kesner is the new 4-H Director. The 4-H Center will now begin the process of looking for a new Volunteer and Program Delivery Specialist, which will be a M.S. position with a Ph.D preferred. There is still discussion on how to handle the Ag and Natural Resources position and Shooting Sports position and how to proceed with those positions. Todd also encouraged all Extension offices to be getting rid of any Social Security numbers that might be present on 4-H paperwork after offices are done with the numbers.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**

**Interstate Exchange:** Roni Baker wished to discuss the Interstate Exchange program as a group and find out what counties were doing Interstate Exchange. The national website no longer exists but there is a Facebook page managed by Virginia. Ideas were floated around about establishing a database on the state level. Questions were also raised about if there was interest in an Instrastate Exchange. Roni will put out an e-mail for those interested.

**4-H Center Advisory Committee:** Mary Anne Keyes and Katelyn Anderson serve on the Advisory Committee and are working on 4-H evaluations using the 8 Essential Elements. They would like volunteers to serve on the Evaluation Committee as well as add input on how we can market 4-H better here in the state.

**Innovative Programming and Staff Development Grants:** Sandra Germann mentioned that the deadline for the Innovative Programming and Staff Development grants was coming up on November 1st for anyone interested. Also, Sandra encouraged anyone to attend the 4-H Foundation Harvest Dinner on November 6, 2015 at the Broken Hart Ranch.

**Election of secretary and treasurer:**  There was discussion about term limits of officers, specifically treasurer and secretary. Campbell Barrett has served two terms and Jesse Fulbright was appointed to fill a year of an existing term and has served one term. Kelton Jensen was nominated to serve as Treasurer. Jodi Pauley moved to cease nominations. Motion carried. Congratulations Kelton. There were three candidates for Secretary, Brent Roeder, Jesse Fulbright and Mary Meyer. Meghan Phillippi moved to cease nominations. Motion carried. Jesse Fulbright was reelected as secretary.

**Upcoming Conferences**

**NAE4-HA 2015:** Portland, OR, Oct. 24-29, 2015.

**NAE4-HA 2016:** New Orleans, LA, Oct. 9-13, 2016.

**Western Region Leadership Forum 2016:** Fairbanks, AK, March 2-4, 2016.

**4-H Update:** February 2-4, 2016, location TBA. It is titled; “From Eeyore to Tigger: Enthusiasm in your 4-H program”

**District 3:** District 3 is hosting the State 4-H Leaders’ Forum in 2016. They need to meet to discuss ideas.

**District 7**: District 7 is hosting 4-H Rec Lab April 8-10, 2016 in Joliet.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

Respected submitted

Jesse Fulbright

MAE4-HA Secretary