MINUTES

Toole County 4-H Council Minutes

September 20, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Luanne Wallewein at 7 p.m.

In attendance

Luanne Wallewein, Angie Welker, Diane Adamson, Anna Fretheim, Elda Nichols, Kristi Aklestad, Jeanette Jergens and Alice Burchak, CEA

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved for the June meeting with corrections.

Treasure's Report- see attached

Old Business

- **Bylaws and Charters:** The Extension Office is working with clubs to ensure charters and bylaws are on file for each club. Two clubs are currently working on charters and bylaws. Two clubs have the records on file.
- **Fundraising Reports:** Fundraiser request should be turned in before the event and a financial report on the fundraiser should be turned in to the office within 30 days after the event.

New Business

- **Healthy Club Snacks:** Kristi Aklestad spoke about the importance of healthy snacks at club meetings. She will be working with Teen Leader Maggie Fretheim to provide a presentation to the clubs and a challenge to incorporate healthy snacks into club meetings.
- 4-H Week Oct 3-9: Business list were distributed. West Butte will take care of the publicity this year.
- Achievement Day 2010: West Butte is hosting this year in Sunburst on Nov 14th. Troy and LouEllen Wanken were chosen for the Distinguished Service Award. Lorette Carter, City of Shelby was selected for the Meritorious Service Award. Several candidates were chosen for the Alumni Award. A list of names will be published in the October newsletter. Program Members will be asked to vote on the award. The Council discussed a way to recognize retiring Senior Ambassadors. "I Dare You Award" will be given to the retiring Senior Ambassador each year. There will be another pie auction this year the funds will be designated for the "Change for Challenge" fund.
- **District Meeting:** The meeting is slated for Oct 2 @ 1pm at the Marias River Electric meeting room. There will be a leader's training at 1 pm and the business meeting at 2 pm. REC lab will be discussed at the meeting. Toole County is hosting REC Lab this year.
- Officer's Training: Is tentatively scheduled for November 3rd. Council will provide lattes for the training.
- **Project Day:** Scheduled for November 6th. Barb Larsen volunteered to do a Vet Science Workshop, Kristi Aklestad volunteered to present a workshop on Healthy Treats.
- **Ambassador Program:** Lindsay Welker will serve as the Senior Ambassador and Maggie Fretheim as the Junior Ambassador. Prospective Ambassadors are Bryan Barker and Hayley Fretheim. Anna Fretheim and Angie Welker will serve as key leaders for the program. Anna will chaperon the group for Fall Training in October. Angie is researching the cost of new shirts for the Ambassadors.
- **Taylor Challenge:** Barb Larsen reported on the Taylor Challenge to the Foundation. The family is willing to donate up to \$100,000 to the foundation based on matching funds. The foundation is encouraging clubs to participate in the "Change for Challenge" fund drive. The council discussed that the fund raiser would be organized at the club level. President Louann Wallewein requested club reports at the January meeting. It was decided that the funds from the pie auction would be designated for the Taylor fundraiser as well.
- **Newsletter Postage:** Due to budget constraints the Extension postage budget has been reduced to half the previous amounts. Angie Welker motioned that members that receive the newsletter through the mail be charged a \$5 subscription fee. After discussion the motion was amended to \$7 for the subscription fee. The motion was seconded by Diane Adamson and passed. The Council will provide scholarships to families that find the subscription fee.

The next council meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 24th at 6 pm at the Extension Office. Officer Elections are slated for the January Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.