

Redwater 4-H Council Meeting  
April 18, 2023  
Spearfish Chamber of Commerce

**Call the meeting to order by Nicole 7:14 pm**

**Members present:**

- o **Officers and Extension Staff:** Michelle May Butte-Lawrence County Extension Representative; Nicole Jones President (Lawrence County); Carmen Drieling- Secretary (Butte County), Melissa Dean- Treasurer (Lawrence County)
- o **Butte County:** Amy Clark, Samantha Hiles, Rebecca Kari, Courtney Barrera, Courtney Rans,
- o **Lawrence County:** Kristy Eastman, Raye Brown,
- o **Youth Representative:** None
- o **Additional attendees:** Christy Frerichs, Shannon David, Kristy Schmidt

**Secretary minutes**

- Sammie moved to accept Secretary's minutes with correction under YQCA. Courtney B 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Unanimous vote.

**Treasurers report**

- Melissa handed out a treasurer's report all broken out with accounts and talked about the report. \$20,630.41 balance with \$451.14 in outstanding checks.
- Sammi mentioned the silent auction earnings should be under same rule or premium or sale money to cancel checks or turn money back if checks have not been cashed.
- Kristy made a motion that all checks outstanding passed 90 days of fair will be forfeit back to Redwater. Kendra 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Unanimous vote
- Sammi moved to approve treasurers report as read. Shannon 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimous vote

**Committee Reports**

- Livestock Committee: Nicole
  - o All superintends please review fair book by Thursday April 20.
  - o Reviewed requirements for livestock weigh in and health paperwork/vet checks. All animals must stay on trailer until you hand over your vet check paperwork or vet checks your animals on the trailer prior to unloading. If you get a vet check prior to fair it must be within 5 days. All animals/species must arrive on Tuesday during scheduled check-in between 4:00 to 7:30 pm. Each species has a check-in time, however its an incentive or benefit to get a vet check prior to the fair BUT THE PAPERWORK MUST BE HANDED OVER TO THE SUPERINTENDENT PRIOR TO UNLOADING ANIMALS.
  - o Need to add miniature goat and sheep to the fall meeting after fair regarding discussion to the fair classes.
- Livestock Sale committee: Nicole
  - o Please don't mail the letters or anything out to the sponsors on the list. Letters were handed to clubs as reference. The letter is for you to see what was sent. Please visit in person. Talk to the buyers about Turnbacks. We talked about "Turnback" now being called "Salebarn" to decrease the confusion at the sale.
  - o Checks will be held until the animals shows up to the locker plant or animals turned in after state fairs.
  - o Post cards will be sent out closer to the sale to all the listed businesses.

- Clubs need to submit their checklist requirements for 4H members by July 15.
- Static Committee: Kristy
  - Letters went out on April 10, 2023. This year the letter was generic nothing is tied to a specific award for donations. If they have done a specific award or specific species, then that will be placed for that specific species. There are 3 levels of sponsors and will be displayed at the fair.
  - Still looking for additional livestock sponsors. Please let Kristy or Amanda know if you have questions and let Cindy or the office know if you have additional sponsors.
  - Let office know or take pictures of the item you will sell at the silent auction to help advertise.
  - There was some discussion about the baskets to be sold from 4H Clubs and the benefits of how it went last year.
- 4H Food Stand: Michele
  - Cindy and Michele took on administrative duties from last minutes since no one volunteered.
  - Sammi made a motion for Redwater to purchase a Sam's Club Membership Card that is tax exempt and include Sharon and Michele to use the debit card to purchase food stand necessities. Rebecca 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Unanimous vote
- Jr. Leaders:
  - Chicken Bingo, Youth Leadership Fall Conference and secured a speaker, starting to work on summer event to bring other Junior Leaders from other counties to the area.
  - The group would like June 24 to be one of the cleanup days so they can schedule community project with the event.
- Shooting Sports:
  - State in two weekends.
  - 53 total 4H members qualified for state shoot.

#### **Old Business**

- Fundraising Cards: Contact Sammi or Kristy with questions. The day to sell is May 21, 2023 for the cards, turn into leaders or office. Everything needs to be turned into the office no later than May 24, 2023.
- YLL- April 23 at Newell and May 2<sup>nd</sup> at Spearfish Northpoint Church
- Fair Theme and Colors are typically recommended by Redwater and voted on by Fair Board. This year Fair Board discussed and choose the theme and colors.
  - Theme: Country Camo
  - Colors: No colors set
- New County Protocol and Policy for Enrolling Members/Leaders and 4H Clubs: Michele
  - Discussion continued for this policy from the last meeting in January.
  - This policy will be put in place with a 2-month grace period for members and volunteers to re-enroll for the next 4H year and pay dues. Leaders will be able to deny access to 4H events, meetings and etc.
  - This is important to have this policy put in place due to liability reasons.
  - New members and those who don't join until later in the year still can do so and will be counted for a 4H year if requirements are met.

**New Business**

- Small animal superintendent: Vicky Larson has agreed to do the position.
  - Made a motion to accept Vicky as a superintendent. Sammi 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Unanimous vote.
- State 4H Butte/Lawrence Awards, County Snapshot and S.O.A.R Feedback: Michele
  - We are the 4<sup>th</sup> largest county with the number of members.
  - We are only 33% of the available youth being involved with 4H.
  - Michele gave a great background of past state meetings and how well our leaders provide leadership and the experts involved with 4H!
- Fair Cleanup Day in July: Put on hold until Fair Board decides the dates.

**Fair Board Report:**

- Nicole was unable to attend. Sammi attended the meeting. The board voted on the posters. The fair board is planting trees with Jr. Leaders April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The horse arena is starting soon, all supplies are bought through the grant. This is a three-phase grant, but Michele needs to reapply every year. Courtney is looking into other grants too. Discussion took place on shelving in the food stand. New shelves are being put into the food stand to get food off the ground, this was decided a few meetings ago. A swamp cooler is being donated for floriculture.

Next Meeting June 13<sup>th</sup> at Fair Grounds at 7:00 pm for Redwater Council, Leaders at 6:00 pm  
Sammi moved to adjourn the meeting. Shannon 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Unanimous vote. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm