

# **FOODS AND NUTRITION COMMITTEE**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **JANUARY 8, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 6:58pm.

Members present were Debbie Meyers, Pat Sleiter, DarLyne Schneider, Haley Jordan, Jessica Arnsmeier, and Roxanne Paul.

#### **Old Business:**

Discussion began on the workshop to be held at St Victor's school gym and kitchen on February 1 beginning at 4pm and lasting until 6pm. All committee members except Debbie indicated they would be there to help and were asked to come 2:30 to 3:00pm. This workshop will concentrate on foods especially trying to cover some of the foods that were included in the Food's Revue or as an exhibit at the fair. Debbie mentioned that we need to not try to do as many foods as we have in the past in order to finish closer on time. The foods chosen are a baked potato soup (level C foods revue); Chicken salads/wraps (level A and B foods revue); monkey breads using biscuit and/or yeast dough (level D fair) and fruit pizza (level C and D foods revue). A motion was made by Jessica and seconded by Darlyne that Pat will purchase all of the food for this event and stay within a reasonable amount in relation to the number of members attending. Debbie reminded Pat to also purchase something for all to drink. Pat will also set a schedule for the workshop, where leaders are going to work, get any recipes that are needed and copies for members, and provide some information for the leaders to use. It was decided that we should have some way to tell those coming which door to use since all doors of the school are locked. Haley noted there was a sandwich board and she would check with the office on its availability to be set outside indicating the door to use. Also mentioned was that Lana could notify all foods members over 16 to see if they might be available to assist that day.

The February 22<sup>nd</sup> cake decorating workshop will be held at the Justice Center from 2 to 3:30 pm. This is a workshop for Cloverbuds and Explorers so these committee members will be doing all of the set-up and cleaning after completion. Darlyne motioned and Roxanne seconded the Debbie will purchase the items needed for this workshop. She will get at least one cupcake and large sugar cookie per member from Piggly Wiggly. They will also supply a take home container for each cupcake. Vanilla (white) frosting will be used to cover each with additional candies etc. used for decorating. Each member will choose a picture that he/she would try to duplicate on his/her cupcake and cookie. No tips are used. It was decided that fewer candies etc. would be purchased this year as compared to last when too many was over whelming to the members and not necessary. Any committee members available that day could come

to help and Debbie will secure some others to assist.

The February 29<sup>th</sup> cake decorating workshop will be held at the Justice Center from 2 to 3:30pm. This workshop is open to all members enrolled in the foods project. All committee members available should plan to be there to assist, set up will begin at 12:30pm. Debbie will purchase items necessary and will also secure the assistance of some experienced cake decorators. Cakes will be be frosted and decorated using tips. Some advanced groups will work with fondant. Members will be grouped according to their experience and what they want to learn.

#### New Business

The cake auction was discussed for a short time. It was suggested that we find some ways to promote it more and to bring in additional possible bidders and buyers. Debbie said it is going to be listed in the fair information when that goes out. We could also have it announced over the P/A system before it begins and at other times during the fair. Another suggestion was that we have a “guest decorator” whose cake is also auctioned off. Some names mentioned were Jeff Ditzenberger, someone from the radio station, or fair board member. This discussion was tabled until next meeting.

Pat said the foods account now has \$2289.64 in it. She said the original idea when the cake auction was initiated the use for the money was to buy something big that would benefit the foods members and could be used by all of 4-H. The item most mentioned was a refrigerated display case so members could exhibit more diverse foods that would be better displayed and would not deteriorate during the fair. Debbie explained that since the money now belongs to UW the only purchases (over \$500.00) could be educational (such as our workshops) or recreational, so a display case would probably not qualify. There was no further discussion.

Jessica brought up the question of gifts given for foods and cake revue because she noted when she was in the project she received a “nicer gift” that was engraved or stamped with Green County 4-H Foods Project, the division, and the date; which was appreciated by her and was a real remembrance. Some discussion was about places that engraving could be done locally. Debbie asked Darlyne, Pat and Jessica to be the members that would purchase gifts. Darlyne said she has already purchased some stemmed cake plates and Pat has some small food prep items. These three will put together the gifts for the revues.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday March 11, 2020 at 7pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29pm with a motion made by Haley and seconded by Pat and all agreed.