

The Adult Leaders 4-H meeting was called to order on March 6th by Tina Herbst at 7:30pm.

A presentation was made by Michael Williams about Advanced Space Academy.

A motion to approve the Secretary's minutes was made by Deb Myers and seconded by DarLyne Schneider. Motion passed.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Tonya Gratz and seconded by Michelle Monson. Motion passed.

A reminder was given that there are Colony Brands Mini Grants for clubs and projects.

We have reached out to everyone who had checks that haven't been cashed. There are 4 remaining that we haven't heard back from those individuals yet. Per Deb Myers, we need to send these users a letter that indicates they have 90 days to request a new check or that they decline the funds. If a new check is re-issued, they have 30 days to cash it before it becomes void.

Self-nominations for the Executive Board and Financial Committees are open until April 15. Encourage Adult Leaders to apply. Positions that are open are:

- President Elect – 2-year term
- Member-at-large – 2-year term
- 4-H Budget Committee – 2 positions, 2-year term
- 4-H Audit Committee – 2 positions, 2-year term

April 1st is the first of two 4-H Project Days. Sign-up is open until March 15th. The second day will be June 10th at the Fairgrounds. Session presenters (adult and older youth) are encouraged to apply before the April 10th deadline for the June 10th day.

There are two different camps this summer. Outpost, June 22-25, registration is currently open until May 15th in 4-H online. Basecamp will be held August 9-12 with registration opening in the future.

County Scholarship and Award interviews occurred in February. 5 scholarships, 2 Key Awards and 2 travel scholarships were awarded. No one applied for the Summer Academy travel scholarship. Tonya Gratz moved and Deb Myers seconded the motion to do an additional Travel Scholarship interview process in April/May for Summer Academy scholarships. Motion passed.

Please "like" 4-H Facebook posts in addition to sharing them to help us gain more visibility.

Ellen shared a summary from the 2022 4-H Thriving Survey. An enrollment update is that we are at 517 members enrolled for this year. There are 135 first year members and 181 First Generation Members. Our retention rate is 77.4% which is 2.4% higher than the state average. The 4-H Adult Volunteer numbers are declining.

March/April Alphorn is currently available. The May/June newsletter deadline is April 15th. Any postings/information for the newsletter should go to Ellen.

We will soon be looking for a new Extension Activity Assistant. Please help promote that position when the job is posted in the next few weeks.

The 2023 county fairbook will be posted soon. Please be aware Face-to-Face judging will be piloted in departments 16, 17, 21-24, 27-29, 31, & 33-34.

Skye Dickson provided a presentation about her experience at Advanced Space Academy.

Briget Nusbaum moved and Rhonda Bartels seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:51pm

Submitted by: Dawn Smith