

**Kent County 4-H Leader's Meeting  
August 23, 2016**

**President JoAnne Carter called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. The American Pledge was led by Lisa Berry and the 4-H Pledge was led by Paula Wood.**

**The Secretary's minutes were available to everyone in their packets. Sandy Reynolds made a motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Linda. Motion approved.**

**The Treasurer's report was available to everyone in their packets. Jennifer Menard made a motion to approve the report and Chris Gannon seconded the motion. Motion approved.**

**The Budget for the 2016/2017 4-H year for the Kent County Leaders Association was available to everyone in their packets. Diana O'Hara made a motion to approve and Linda seconded the motion. Motion approved.**

**Officer Elections:**

**President- JoAnne Carter**

**Vice President- Sandy Reynolds**

**Secretary- Heather Crouse**

**Treasurer- Elaine Webb**

**County Club Updates:**

- **Exchange Group – New Year, there is a 2 year commit, must be 14 years or old to travel.**
- **Jr. Council – Going well. Anyone can attend that is 13 years or old.**
- **Poultry Group – will just be holding training.**
- **Science Club – No Report**

**Old Business:**

- **Kent County Horse Show -. Ad sales were good, but could always be more. We still need to get more 4-H members involved in this as all the ads were sold by a couple of members. The show was on June 12<sup>th</sup>. We need members to volunteer to hand out ribbons. Heather Crouse is working on a list and will be sending it out.**
- **4-H Camps – Kristen gave a review of the following camps held during the summer: 4-H Summer Day Camps, 4-H State Camps, 4-H Science Camp and 4-H Cow Camp. All the camps went well and attendance was good at each of them.**
- **Delaware State Fair – Leaders discussed several aspects of the fair and offered comments to Kristen to review at their upcoming fair debriefing meeting. There were a lot of members and leaders on the float each night for the parade.**

- **Fifer Orchards Peach Festival - 4-H and FFA staff and volunteers were on hand to help direct the crowd coming through the peach ice cream area. Donations were accepted and Fifer's donated all donations to 4-H and FFA equally.**

**New Business:**

- **Fifer Orchard's Food Demonstration are on the following dates:  
9/10 New Horizons  
10/8 Legacy 4-H Club  
11/12 Jeremy Mahoney**
- **County Leader Committees - The sheet was sent around for all interested leaders to sign up to participate on the various committees throughout the year. There needs to be a Chairperson for all Committee; the chairpersons are responsible to initiate any meetings or planning conversations of committee members.**
- **County Calendar – Shared in draft format. International foods will be on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>**
- **4-H Enrollment Forms: Enrollment will be online this year. Sept 1<sup>st</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> will be the deadline for a re-enrollment**
- **Record Books are due September 12<sup>th</sup>. Late books can be submitted. The forms are on the county website.**
- **Club News Report – These are due 9/23/16 to the 4-H Office. Newsletters will be bi-monthly for this year and a small group will be formed to consider switching to a blog format; this committee will address pros and cons.**
- **Diamond Clover Awards – Reporting Forms for 2015-16 4-H year are due on Sept. 20 to the 4-H Office.**
- **Goat Award - Essays only are due on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> (Project book is encouraged, but not required).**
- **Swine Award- Essays only are due on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>**
- **Paper Clover Promotion at Tractor Supply - The promotion will start on Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>. Need clubs for Smyrna, Dover and Milford!!!!**
- **National 4-H Youth Science Day - The science day is on Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. This year theme is Drone Discovery.**
- **Leader Forms- Achievement Banquet and Club Forms. All forms are due on Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> to the 4-H Office.**
- **Delaware State Fair Junior Board Applications - Applications are due Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>.**
- **National 4-H Week – This event will be from October 2<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. Entries for Window Display and Litter Barrel are due to the county office by Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> and the entries must be in place by Oct. 3<sup>th</sup>.**
- **4-H Club Officer/Leader Training – Officer and Leaders Training will be on Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the 4-H Office.**

- **Lisa Berry made a motion to send a \$250.00 donation to the 4-H Foundation in Memory of Kay Stout it was second by Danna Sharpe. Motion was Carried.**
- **Other Comments:**
  - **Judging Contest Survey in the works**
  - **Community Service Award guidelines have been created. More information after the awards submission for this previous year.**
  - **YAP Nov 17-will be seeking planning committee**
  - **National 4-H Congress Update (if available for 11/2016)**
  - **Shooting Sports Program:**
    - **Call attention to training on schedule; separate email to all adults will go out**
    - **National 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Leadership Conference**
    - **Archery Training on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>**

**A motion was made by Sandy Reynolds and seconded by Ted Reynolds to adjourn the meeting at 8:33pm. Motion approved**

**Respectfully,**

***Heather Crouse***

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Secretary**