

New Castle County 4-H Leaders Association
November 28, 2016

7:04 pm:

Meeting called to order by President Kim Klair.

Secretary's report was given and approved.

Our Treasurer reported we currently have \$457.35 in our checking account and \$7,552.49 in our savings account.

Agent's Report:

1. Betsy Morris led us in an Ice Breaker that clubs could easily use,
2. Betsy shared a few educational training program materials that are available for clubs to borrow. Materials and explanations will be available at our monthly leader meetings. A sign out system is in place to manage the distribution and sharing of the materials.
3. The NCC Links have grant money available for submission of a written request.
4. Favorite Foods is on January 21, 2017. The agents are requesting the Leader's Association provide coffee and fruit for the parents while they wait.
Motion made by Maureen Ernst
 - a. Seconded by Sarah Berninger
 - b. Motion passed
5. There will be training for the Favorite Foods contest on Thursday January 5 at the NCC 4-H Office.
6. Winter Workshop dates are set for 2017.
7. The NCC 4-H Office is seeing a location and date for the 2017 Younger Member Weekend and the Jr. Leader weekend. More information will be forthcoming.
8. The theme of the 2017 DE State Fair is "A July Tradition".
9. The NCC 4-H office follows the Christiana School District when closing for inclement weather.

Old Business:

1. Science Saturday "Chick it Out" was well received.
2. There were no reports available for the State Trail Ride, the Jr. Duck Stamp field trip or Up for the Challenge.
3. The NCC Links are sponsoring a Dessert Contest for Adults at the Favorite Foods Contest. The top 3 will be a winner. The leaders are asked to encourage parents/adults in their clubs to participate.
4. Five boxes of donations were collected in the Stockings for Soldiers campaign. Many 4-Hers participated in this community event.
5. The Meet Your Staff hayride and bonfire was well attended and a great time.
Motion made by Richard Melson to reimburse the 4-H Office for the hayride costs
 - a. Seconded by Maureen Ernst
 - b. Motion passed.

Old Business (continued)

6. The Public Speaking Contest was well attended. The Brandywine Public Library is a good location for this event. Suggestions to better the contest and encourage more participation were made. It was suggested to give premiums to the winners as well as have the winners give their speech at other 4-H events and clubs.

New Business:

1. November 30 and Dec 14 will be the next Interview Skills Workshops, 6:30pm at the Kent County 4-H office teaching interviewing and resume writing skills. January 5 is the final workshop when the participants will have their mock interviews.
2. National 4-H Conference applications are due December 1. This is for any 4-Her who is a sophomore or junior in high school.
3. The State 4-H Hippology Contest will be on Dec. 3 at 9:00am on the Delaware State Fairgrounds.
4. The Bio-Tech and Forensics Science Saturday is on Dec. 3
5. Dec 4 is the next Jr. Duck Stamp field trip date. They will be traveling to Bombay Hook Refuge.
6. Please RSVP to Maureen Ernst if you are planning to attend the Winter Fun Day at the NCC 4-H office on Saturday December 10th.
7. Applications for the Agri-Science and Healthy Living Summit are due by December 14. Two 4-Hers will be sent from DE. This is open to students in grades 9-12.
8. If any club has 4-Hers planning to participate in the Photography Contest at the Favorite Foods in January, information will be on the next blog.
9. Hats, scarves and gloves tree will be in the office lobby for anyone or club wishing to make a donation.

Sharing:

1. Many clubs are participating in Adopt a Family events this season.
2. There are open slots available for Salvation Army bell ringers at many locations. Contact information was shared.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting - Jennie Trumfio

Second by - Richard Melson

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Next meeting will be Monday January 23, 2017 at 7:00pm in the NCC 4-H Office.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marian Harvey

Secretary, NCC 4-H Leaders Association