

Dodge County Leader's Association Executive Board
November 25, 2003

Attending: Linda Behling, Lucas Caine, Nicole Dougan, Gert Grebel, Julie Guenterberg, Pat Hahn, Laurie Hron, Charlie Lindegarde, Deb Merfeld, Diane Neff, Penny Seaver, Jane Schmidt, Karen Schmidt, Sally Schoenike, Carissa Schulz, Betty Tietz, Helen Weisensel, Janet Zander

President Deb Merfeld called the meeting to order at 7:25pm.

Secretary Report

The Secretary's report was read and corrections were made. A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was voted on and approved.

Treasurer Report

Helen reported the balance in the checking account and in the money market. No bills were presented.

Endowment Report and Endowment Fundraiser Event

Karen reported the balance in the Endowment checking account and the Morgan Stanley "B" Fund balance. A detailed endowment fundraiser report was given. The following receipts were reported: Auction \$10,750; Pre-event dinner ticket sales \$4,260.32, prizes \$334, Silent auction \$1,023, Bag raffle \$1,532, Orange raffle \$3,381.75. Total Receipts were \$21,281.07. Total Expenses were \$2,069.37 resulting in a Gain of \$19,211.70. Julie moved to ask the Executive Board to set up a subcommittee to draft and recommend changes to the constitution regarding the Endowment Fund Committee roles, and responsibilities, especially the process to disperse funds, to come back in January to the board with their proposal to include making the committee membership elected positions. The motion was seconded by Charlie. After much discussion, the motion was voted down 8 to 7. Laurie moved to modify the previous motion to remove the elected membership phrase. After discussion, the motion was rescinded. The Endowment Committee has scheduled meetings with investment companies to decide how to invest the money. Current direction is favoring dividend growth securities and bonds currently paying 6.9%. Options being considered include Edward Jones, the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation, A.G. Edwards, and Prudential.

AGENDA ITEMS

Civil Rights—Sally noted that current Club Plans will not meet civil rights requirements, so she needs 15 minutes to speak about this at the next General Leader Sharing sessions.

Late re-enrollments—one late re-enrollment was approved; one late project addition was rejected.

Update on 4-H Secretary—no discussion

Race Food Stand – 50/50 Tickets—Sally noted 4 nights of the Race Food Stand are not scheduled yet. The issue of the 50/50 tickets was tabled until January.

Family Learning Days—Sally noted that more sessions are needed. Janet Zander volunteered to do Crafts with Cloverbuds. Host clubs (Rock River Royals at Horicon and Sinnissippi at Hustisford) will sell lunch.

Family Fun Day—Leipsic hosted countywide volleyball competition & sold food on Nov. 9. Tentative date for 2004: Nov. 14. The board voted to spend \$24 on Bingo machine.

Community Builders Banquet—recommended changes discussed include: serve only one meat, negotiate the price, and ask host club to help serve.

Trip Selection Process—No additional Grand Canyon applications were received. Five (5) youth have applied; committee to solicit adults. Meeting scheduled 3rd Tuesday in December. Two (2) youth selected for 4-H Focus trip, 1 to National Congress, and 3 to Space Camp. Board discussed that it would be a good idea to get a video on National Congress and play it as an opening session at a future Family Learning Day. Updated trip application forms are on the web.

New Family Orientation—Scheduled for December 29. Carissa, Lucas, Linda & Nicole were volunteered to help Laurie & Charlie organize activities.

Record Book Committee—nothing in writing has been received yet. Meeting scheduled for January 15.

Achievement—no discussion.

Government Education Program—Sally mentioned that there are still supervisors who have not been assigned to be interviewed.

General Leader Session—Will be held at Family Learning Day

Youth Protection—Will be held at Family Learning Day

Other Business:

Fundraisers—Culver's in Beaver Dam to be scheduled Monday, February 16, 4-8pm. We need to supply 5 people and will make 10% of the night's gross receipts. We could also do one night in October. Laurie & Deb volunteered to organize. Jane volunteered to investigate Pick & Save registration. Sally volunteered to investigate Script program but the feeling is that there would be a lot of record keeping. Also, could Bev handle these additional duties? Laurie noted that the Leader's Assn. is on the waiting list at LeRoy Meats for a Brat Fry. Sally noted that there is no answer yet on doing a Fish Pond at the Fair. Laurie is looking into details on publishing a cookbook (costs usually about \$2.50/book, selling for about \$10/book).

Family Friendly 4-H Policies—to discuss in January 2004

Fair Evaluations—to discuss in January 2004. Sally noted that \$100K is still in the county budget to build bathrooms near the Youth Building.

Leadership Profile & Volunteer Form—Sally asked if this format should be passed out to every leader. Discussion followed but the group gave no direction.

Jane moved that we spend up to \$35 for a get well plant for Joyce Williams. The motion was seconded and was passed.

Next Meeting:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 20th at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Guenterberg