

**East Central Regional Council**  
**April 3, 2009**  
**Coronation, Alberta**

Present: Marie Bignell, Dwayne Grover, Shelly Grover, Wendy Ashbacher, Darrel Ashbacher, Lyanne Almborg, Owen Almborg, Hugh McLarty, Marvin Molzan, Carole Tkach, Dale Storch, Janice Storch, Ashley Eckel, Lindsey Grover, Carol Arntzen, Melody Swaren, Lee Carothers, Anita Mappin, Juanita Wagstaff, Lois Andrew, Rick Cromarty

**Call to Order** by Marie Bignell at 7:04 pm

**Pledge** was led by Lindsey Grover  
Introductions were made.

**Approval/Additions to Agenda**

- Business arising – 7 e. Leaders' Conference
  - 7 f. Historian
  - 8 s. Respect in Sports
- Lindsey/Janice moved to accept agenda as amended. Carried

**Minutes**

- corrections – Regional dues should read 2008-2009
  - 8p should read levels not books
- Carol A/Shelly moved approve minutes as corrected. Carried

**Correspondence**

- Letter announcing winners of East Central Scholarships – Amy Barnes, Kristen Carlson, Kelsey Hedley, Stephanie Laing, Chuck Leslie, Katelyn Westerlund
- Kirby Clarke Memorial
- Stephanie Laing thank you letter
- Copies of thank yous sent to sponsors prepared by Ashley and Janet

**Treasurer's Report** – Motion to accept as circulated Lois/ Mel. Carried

**Bylaw Reviews**

- need 21 days notice
- will be presented in November

**Leaders' Conference** – wondered how rest of members will be kept informed about updates

**Historians** – volunteer needed to continue this

- question where rest of history books are
- Ashley will check at office
- Melody has 2004 – 2007
- check with Helen Hahn about them

**Provincial Council** – presented by Lyanne Almberg

- Wild Pink Yonder – ride from Fort Macleod to Stony Plain – June 19 to raise money for Breast Cancer
- any concerns with policies talk to Lyanne or Shelly

**4-H Foundation**

- two new directors – Shirley McLellan is on f them
- Casino – August 1 & 2 in Calgary
- new souvenir catalogue on website
- scholarship application on line
- Agriculture for Life – Carol Tkach

**Junior Winter Camp**

- 10 counsellors
- 100 campers
- \$110/person charged by Circle Square Ranch

**Award of Distinction**

- presented to Marie Bignell
- Marie expressed her thanks for this award

**Leader Trips**

- none available for 2009, all signed up for
- Lee voiced thanks for being selected to go to Denver for Western Regional Leaders Forum
- Shelly for Leaders Conference in Toronto

**Leader Recognition Night**

- 52 people attended, had budgeted for 80
- entertainment was \$1 000.00
- \$500 in budget, Stettler District will pay the difference
- discussed how to get more people out
  - Northwest hold theirs at Fall regional meeting
  - Calgary – Family Afternoon – beef on bun, salads
  - move to November – National 4-H week
  - allow each District to do their own
  - ask Provincial Council for their input on how to solve this problem

**Fun Day**

- numbers down a lot
- workshop – judging not attended
- Ambassadors for next year – Stacey Benjamin, Josh
  - two new ones
- date will be January 2, 2010

## **Multi-Species**

- Flagstaff – Feb 16 – at MacGowans
  - 35 attended workshop put on by Suzanne Stone
  - 50 members for judging competition
  - \$511.00 for expenses
- Consort – April 11 – Register from 8 – 9 am
  - Judge steers/heifers at 9
  - 2 other classes – oral reasons

## **Leader Screening**

- went well
- questioned time frame, needed forms in 2 months after club start up but never received approval in a timely fashion after this, some clubs almost finished year and only received letters late March. Some have not received screening yet.
- Dwayne/Rick send a resolution to Provincial Council
  - Be It Resolved that the East Central Regional Council recommends there be a deadline of January 30 that leaders receive screening approval. The proper procedure of one phone call and two letters must be adhered to. Carried

## **Regional Horse**

- 3 rodeos – Neutral Hills, Coronation, Halkirk
- Cadogan 4-H Light Horse hosting Regional Light Horse Show

## **Regional Public Speaking**

- at Hughenden School
- information came in well – need to remember to tell what speeches are about
- \$718.99

## **Regional Presentations**

- weather contributed to 1/3 of presenters canceling, only one Senior entry did not arrive
- - \$746.01

## **Executive Workshop**

- Drumheller was to host

## **Regional Office**

- Key member applications are due April 30, 2009

## **Provincial Beef Committee – Owen Almberg**

- working on issue of selling only one animal
- Record Books being revamped – contest deadline June 30, 2009
  - can also send in suggestions for changes

## **Provincial Equine**

- 3 rodeos
- reviewing Equine Policy 6.06

**Regional Council Meetings**

- November 20, 2009
- April 9, 2010

**Public Speaking date**

- discussed changing dates into February to get away from so much in March
- if Branch could move Provincials into April – Ashley will take to Staff meeting
- waiting to see when Provincial date is before setting ours

**Respect in Sports – Juanita Wagstaff**

- 2 ½ hour course
- \$35.00 for 5 years access to program information
- Hanna District has 14 leaders signed up to do course, paid for by local Communities in Action

**Other**

- Discussed getting more members and leaders to camps, conferences
- Moved by Dwayne/Janice to offer 20 - \$50.00 gift certificates for members to attend some Provincial 4-H program they have not attended before. Carried

**Provincial Dues**

- not being raised
- Carol/Wendy moved that Regional dues remain at \$10.00 per member. Carried

**Council Participation**

- questioned how to get representation from all Districts
- Carol/Juanita moved to send a letter to each District that their District must send representation to Regional Council as stated in the Bylaws. Carried

**Adjournment**

Moved by Lindsey to adjourn meeting.