

4-H FOUNDATION OF ALBERTA



Board Meeting

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Alberta 4-H Centre
Friday July 18, 2008

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Highlights

Committees

4-H Foundation of Alberta

Finance – Carol Arntzen, Ken Holmes, Maryanne Sandberg, Bruce Banks

Human Resources – Les Lyster, Tim Church, Carole Tkach, Bruce Banks

Leaders in Agriculture – Greg Hawkwood, Bruce Banks, Susann Stone

Alberta 4-H Partners Standing Committees

4-H Partners – Carole Tkach, Maryanne Sandberg, Bruce Banks

Scholarship – Carol Arntzen, Ken Holmes, Jackie Mann, Susann Stone

Marketing Advisory Committee – Tim Church, Rosemarie Enslin, Susann Stone

Hall of Fame – Tim Church

Screening – Anita Mappin

Nomination – Greg Hawkwood

Alumni – Rosemarie Enslin, Maryanne Sandberg, Jackie Mann

Sponsor Agreements

New three year agreement totalling \$90,000 with Olds College that provides support for our Leadership Through Counselling Seminar (LTCS), annual Alberta 4-H Leaders Conference, Annual 4-H Senior Members Conference, Alberta 4-H Magazine advertising and preferential rental rates for provincial programs held at Olds College.

New three year agreement totalling \$30,000 with Lakeland College that provides support for our Alberta 4-H People Developing People (PDP) member's camp, Small Animals Lifeskills Trade & Tech (SALTT) project leader workshop, Beef Leaders Up Date (BUD) and Provincial Equine Leaders Forum (PELF) all held at the Alberta 4-H Centre.

A new sponsor, Monsanto Canada, has agreed to a one year agreement to provide support for our Leadership Through Counselling Seminar (LTCS) and Club Week personal development program. Monsanto will be working throughout the fall to establish a long term agreement of support for Alberta 4-H.

New five year agreement totalling \$235,000 with Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development that will provide \$40,000 annually to 12 students participating in an agricultural program at one of the following universities or colleges: University of Lethbridge, Lethbridge College, Olds College, Lakeland College, University of Alberta and Fairview NAIT.

RADF (Rural Alberta's Development Fund)

The 4-H Foundation of Alberta was successful in obtaining a \$960,000 grant from RADF. The grant, payable over four years, will enable the 4-H Foundation to hire and train additional fund development staff to replace Bruce Banks and Henry Wiegman when they retire in the next 4 years. RADF is looking for new applications from 4-H that provides new and innovative ideas that are sustainable after initial funding.

Hansen-Ness Estate Update

Update was provided on the estate. Assets include land, mineral rights from an oil producing well and cash – total value to date is \$1,850,000. A rental agreement has been made with a local area farmer for at least the next three years. The interest generated from this donation will be used to provide scholarships to rural Alberta residents who have to leave home to pursue post secondary education.

2009 Scholarship Endowments

The Hansen-Ness Scholarship fund has been established and will be awarded to rural students who have to leave home to pursue a post secondary education. This scholarship will be outside of the 4-H Provincial Scholarship Program.

New Alberta 4-H Scholarship, the Jerry and Margaret Hall Scholarship, will be part of the Alberta 4-H Provincial Scholarship Program.

New Alberta 4-H scholarship endowment of \$10,000 provided in memory of Bill Janssen to provide an annual \$500 scholarship to a beef project 4-H member in the Red Deer 4-H District. If a suitable candidate cannot be found from the Red Deer 4-H District, the scholarship can be awarded to a beef project 4-H member in the West Central Region.

New 4-H scholarship established in memory of Jack & Ruth Lambert from Manning with support from the Horizon Credit Union. This scholarship will be provided to a 4-H member in the Manning area. Initial contribution to this scholarship is \$3,500.00.

Ropes Course

A 10 element Low Ropes Challenge Course was installed in the last week of May. Summer staff, Mark Shand and Susann Stone were trained on safety and proper use of the course early June. The course has been implemented into the Summer Programs as a skill building session with progression in mind for the different ages. Plans are to fence the course, wood chip the ground under the course, hang sponsor signage. We want to thank EnCana Corporation for providing the funding for the ropes course, Fortis Alberta for supplying the poles and UFA Co-operative Ltd. for supplying the fencing.

Reports Presented:

Canadian 4-H Council Report
Alberta 4-H Council Report
Alberta 4-H Branch Report
Alumni Report
4-H Foundation Management Report