

KAE4-HA Minutes October 18, 2010

The regular fall meeting of the KAE4-HA Association was called to order by President, Susan Schlichting. The Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge were recited. Roll Call was answered by 37 members with an introduction and response to "What is your Favorite Camp Song" in order to determine what Kansas delegates would sing at Regional Breakfast at NAE4-A in Phoenix. "M-I-L-K", "Bazooka Bubblegum", and "Alice the Camel" tied, each with four votes.

Greg McClure, KCAA representative, visited with the group to ask for help with the National Ag Agents Conference on August 7-11, 2011. They are needing volunteers to assist/lead sons and daughters activities on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, the age of children will be from 5-18, They have scheduled Monday- Kaleidoscope and Fritz the Whiz, Tuesday - Worlds of Fun and Thursday - Moon Marble and Shawnee Mission Park. Also still needing 4-H youth to present Talent numbers Monday night August 8th. Please help promote this and stay in contact with Greg if your interested in volunteering. A sign up sheet was sent around.

The minutes of the Spring Association meeting were emailed to all members, Andrea Feldkamp moved to approve the minutes as emailed, Ginger Kopfer seconded, motion carried. Secretary, Robyn Deines then read three thank you cards from Scholarship winners, and a verbal thank you from Phyllis Kriesel, via Pam VanHorn, in appreciation of her retirement recognition, but she would be unable to attend do to her mothers illness.

Jim Adams, Treasurer, gave the treasurers report as \$24, 883.95 as annual expenses, \$28938.00 as annual income, with a gain of \$4054.05 for the year, and our total assets to date were \$16,748.20.

Karla Hightower, Newsletter Editor, reported that the Fall issue of the Prairie Professional was sent out and that the next issue would be out in January and if you had any ideas, please share them with her.

Beth Drescher, KEAA representative reported on the Administration Selection, and suggested that we review what was missing or what do we need in an applicant to fulfill the position, encouraged us to share these ideas with the KEAA Board. Aliesa Woods reported that KEAA meeting would be Wednesday morning at 8:00am and encouraged our participation. Susan Schlichting announced that we support Aliesa as she is serving as President of KEAA.

Sarah Maass, reported as President Elect, in Berny Unruh's absent, that members were still needed to sign up for committees.

For Area Director Reports, Anna Muir, Northwest, reported lots of additions mostly ag/fcs and new Golden Prairie District; Abbie Grossnicklaus, Southeast, announced Phyllis Kriesel retirement, Southwind and Frontier Districts were formed; Amy Sollock, Southwest, mentioned several new ag/fcs agents; Justin Wiebers, State, announced that Carol Fink was now working on Navy program, updates on FNP program, Robin Curry had left and Pat McNally was retiring with a celebration to be held December 7th at Rock Springs, if you have memorabilia get it to

Justin by Nov 15th. Also a discussion of the Jr Master Garden program no longer being a part of FNP, they were exploring funding opportunities to keep the program going.

We were joined by Gary Pierzynski and Daryl Buchholz to share the administrative report. They gave more insight to the FNP/Jr. Master Garden Program that the rules have changed, program must change and they are working to find a way to keep it. Congratulations to Mary Kay Munson and Marcia McFarland for being accepted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame. Thank you for being flexible in the shortening of Annual Conference, the State is still working on Districting as of July 1st four new ones have happened, Gove County is under protest to join Golden Prairie in the NW, .and Chase and Morris counties formed the Flint Hills Dist. They have been working on a project that will challenge our Extension Boards toward Excellence, it is a self rating objective that will be rolled out in January at Partnership meetings, encourage working with volunteers to make programs more sustainable and continue increasing participation with 4-H and 4-H volunteers. Announcements for all to encourage colleagues across the Nation to apply for 4-H State Leader Position. They also shared some of the Best Practices for Districts (agents vs Program Assistants, 4-H agent first and stronger volunteer development); Updates on NIFA funding, at this time it is to early to tell but we do have a voice in the decisions; Updates on Change Agent (15 going to Navigating Difference, and having a Train the Trainer program in early 2011, a training of curriculum for all program areas to enhance diversity) This will be incorporated into 4-H Program Rally in December.

Kendra Baehler, Northeast, announced Reno County was filled.

Pat McNally gave the State 4-H Leaders report as there were lots of learning experiences going on around science SET, 4-H Science Academy and lifting up the sciences in our program, Kudos to the Marketing team on the great new products, She explained the Horse Board/ Horse Action Team setup, made comments toward the Vibrant Video workshop at Rock Springs, and talked about the Tax Exemptions (looking at how, options to handle state wide, looking at options Kansas as they are sunseting the Gen2407) Working on filling Robin Curry position.

Jim Adams discussed the membership, announcing that all dues were do in November, so could pay national dues in December. Our numbers determine the number of DSA/ASA awards so everyone needed to recruit members.

Jill Martinson reported for the Diversity Committee – In 2010 they completed the diversity needs survey and she shared the results (attached), they held a session during spring meeting on working with English Language learners, articles in the association newsletter. For 2011 Beth Dresher will be Chair, they would like to do a workshop at Spring meeting on bullying or working with generations, continue articles in newsletter and they are recruiting new members to their committee. Chair Elect Jill Martinson.

Abbie Grossnicklaus reported for Membership Recognition committee – Chair Elect is Ginger Kopfer, She presented plaques from National along with \$500 to – Kendra Baehler (ASA), Robyn Deines (DSA) Rod Buchele (MSA) and the Lady Day with the Cats \$425 scholarship to

Kaitlyn Peine and Ann Religa.

Jim Adams reported for Policy and Resolution committee – they discussed benevolence for retirement. Chair Elect is Jim Adams.

Professional Development committee report gave by Rod Buchele, Chair Elect will be Rod Buchele looking at Spring meeting being April 13-14 near Great Bend, some discussion was held on how to handle this with Spring Action Conference Dates being similar.

Programs Committee report was given by Robyn Deines, Fall Friendly will be held tonight at Kites in Aggieville with a \$5 covercharge, States Night out was planned by Ann Religa and we would be having it at the Rustlers Roost the cost \$30, and Chair Elect is Andrea Feldkamp.

Public Relations/web report was given by Lori Shoemaker – the 4-H Storybook is going to print, they are gathering more for book 2, Chair Elect Amy Sollock, Begin a special welcome to newbies to Extension and encourage them to join KAE4-HA and give them a little token, attached to KAE4-HA brochure, also would like to work with our area directors to stay current with new staff hired.

No report from Research and Evaluation.

We were joined by Assistant Directors Pat McNally, Pat Murphy and Paula Peters. Paula reported that they are encouraging us to keep working on strengthening our evaluation process, and that they were funding another \$5000 monies for PFT teams. Pat Murphy that we had 19 new agents across the state this past year, be sure to introduce yourself and encourage them to get involved. Pat McNally discussed the initiative for volunteer Engagement, Engaged in delivering programs and that a Volunteer Engagement Task force was created.

Ann Religa gave the results of the 2010 Lady Day with the Cats and announced the upcoming 2011 Game dates and information. Cost will be \$16.00 with registrations going to Ginger Kopfer by December 15th. It will be a 1:00pm game with t-shirts being picked up at Potorff Hall from 11:30 to 12:30pm. They were part of a 30 second PSA, and we will play Nebraska on January 22. They were planning special invitations for John Curry, April Mason, Jeff Morris, and Kirk Schultz. Andrea Feldkamp would be working on posters, and Diane Mack would be working on tattoos.

There was no old business to come before the club.

In New Business, election of area directors was held

SE – Kelsey Holcomb
NE – Mark Flory
SW – Barbara Addison
NW – Robyn Deines
State – Justing Wiebers

Anna Muir moved to accept the treasurers report as given , Beth Dresher seconded the motion, motion carried. Beth Dresher moved to accept the Committee reports, Anna Muir seconded, motion carried.

Discussion was held on the benevolence for members, this is the area directors responsibility for immediate family members only. Abbie Grossnicklaus moved to include \$40 for retirement Mark Flory seconded, motion carried.

Policy and Resolution committee suggested that we make Lady Day with the Cats a standing committee, this will be referred to the committee to make a decision and addressed at our Spring meeting.

We are in need of a KAE4-HA representative to the Annual Conference Committee, Beth Dresher volunteered.

Suggestions were given for the new Dean position, Encourage KEAA to be proactive, instrumental and more engaged, what is the Tool set the Provost is looking for , include field staff on the selection committee, and maybe work on a Top 25/Top50 ideas.

Ginger Kopfer and Susan Schlichting led us in Installation of Officers and recognition of outgoing officers with the ceremony “The road to success is always under construction”

Susan Schlichting encouraged those members that were not going to NAE4-HA to make sure you voted online, also encouraged anyone that had items for the silent auction basket for regional breakfast to turn those in.

Andrea Feldkamp announced volunteers were needed to help with get to know you activities at NACAA.

Susan Schlichting announced that there would be a volunteer sign-up in the future for NAE4-HA 2011 in Omaha and there are also Volunteer jobs still for open for Arizona.

Rod Buchele Announced that North Central Regional Volunteer Forum will be held in Kansas October 11-14, 2012, forms for committee members and chairs are available at the website and that lots of help is needed to promote this event to volunteers and 4-H members.

Kelsey Holcomb announced that the 4-H Program Rally was going to have a 4-H Discussion Panel if you had questions for this panel there was a drop box at the registration table.

Carol Fink announced the CYFAR Conference, last week of April, rooms were \$155, Registration is \$300, November 3rd is the deadline fro presentation proposals, focus will be on health and technology.

Susan Schlichting Adjourned the meeting at 4:14pm

Attendance Roster

Robyn Deines
Susan Schlichting
Jim Adams
Kaitlyn Peine
Kelsey Holcomb
Corinne Patterson
Diane Mack
Beth Dresher
Mark Seeley
Deryl Waldren
JoEllen Arnold
Carol Fink
Beth Hinshaw
Andrea Feldkamp
Jodi Besthorn
Aliesa Woods
Brenda Taxeras
Karla Hightower
Mark Flory
Anna Muir
Ginger Kopfer
Kendra Baehler
Abbie Grossnicklaus
Justin Wiebers