

Unit Council Minutes

February 28, 2019

Members Present: Laura Collier, Ron George, Bev Goeckler, Kim Macke, Rob Angus, Abbie Furlong, Cindy Spencer.

Staff Present: Stacy Woodyard, Jesse Soule

Ron George called the meeting to order.

Laura Collier made a motion to accept the November 29, 2018 minutes. Bev Goeckler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stacy provided a unit update which included a review of the unit financial statement, discussion of staff including retirement of Jane Williams effective February 28 and Jessie Crews April 30. Tiffany Cervantes will increase to full time hours for office support duties. Stacy has submitted all required information for hiring the 4-H Youth Development Educator and it is in the hands of the regional director to move forward. There was no report regarding facilities.

Members discussed an idea generated at the November 2018 meeting of forming 4-H Alumni groups. Stacy used a brainstorming process to identify potential purposes and implementation of the groups. Several ideas and discussion items resulted. Summary is that the office would provide original leadership and then pass off to the group(s). Purpose of the alumni group to support existing 4-H members through mentoring as well as promotion/recruitment of both members and volunteers. Another purpose would be for socialization of county alumni. Members present felt it might be best to start with each county having their own group and then expand into unit wide activities. The alumni group could assist with developing videos, news releases, social media posts about their stories of being 4-H members and how it impacted their lives. This could also be done with existing members and even staff.

For additional business, Crawford County 4-H is taking out all wooden gate pens and replacing with metal pens. The Foundation and grants they secured are paying for the updated pens.

No public comments.

Future meeting date: May 30, 2019 at 6 p.m.

Rob Angus made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Abby Furlong seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.