

OSU Collegiate 4-H General Meeting October 3, 2007

The October 3rd meeting was called to order by President Marie Strouse in the Agricultural Engineering building room 100. The club did a quick mixer and watched a video from the CFAES about the study abroad program. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brent Diller and the 4-H pledge was led by Shea McConahay.

A motion was made by Janelle Reithman to waive the reading of the secretary's minutes, which was seconded by Abby Keyt, and the motion passed. A current balance of \$3,587.25 was given by treasurer, Claire Westervelt. A motion was made by Shea McConahay to accept the treasurer's report and seconded by Joe Zimmerman. The motion passed.

Community service chair, Abby Keyt asked for any ideas for projects the club was interested in doing this year. Some suggestions that were brought up included participating in Autism-Walk Now!, similar to Relay for life, and a 5K in Fayette County on October 27th. Abby also asked what day would be best for the club to do a park clean-up project again, and it was decided that Sunday afternoons would work best. The OMK day camps have been put on hold, but there is a possibility the club can help out with an event at the zoo in December. The club was also asked if members were interested in helping at a Halloween event "Creatures of the Night," but there was not enough interest.

An announcement by CFAES chair Ryan Curtis let the club know that there will be a meet and greet social event with Dr. Martin, and everyone is welcome. Also, The CFAES Involvement Fair is this Thursday, October 4th, from 1-3:00 at the Ag. Admin. Auditorium, where students can learn more ways to get involved in the college. Marie also asked for volunteers to be at the club's booth. Joe Zimmerman, Alyssa Hunter, and Abby Keyt agreed to show up.

The club has several social events planned already this quarter. BGSU's first annual Farmer's Formal, a night of line dancing and square dancing, will be held November 10th. The club plans to share rides and possibly stay at someone's home that night. Members should mark Wednesday, October 10th on their calendars as a bowling night. Finally, October 31st is the club's general meeting and Halloween Party. Laura will welcome anyone's help with planning the event.

The Regional 4-H Conference November 2-4th at Purdue University is fast approaching! Meet other Collegiate 4-H members from other schools at the conference, go to workshops, campus tours, a banquet and business meeting, and a dance. The deadline to register is October 5th. The online registration and \$95 is done on your own, but let someone in the club know you are going.

If members have any friends interested in joining Collegiate 4-H, they can send their e-mail address to Renee Solomon, Publicity Committee chair, at Solomon.138@osu.edu. Also, check out our very own website at <http://www.ag.ohio-state.edu/~collegiate4h/>.

Information and minutes from the meetings will be updated occasionally on the website. Thank you, Beth for offering to take pictures this fall for the scrapbook. Right now, the club is not signed up for any intramurals, but if anyone has a suggestion for recreational activities, let someone know. Co-Chairs Kate Gearhart and Stephanie Freshour are getting everything together for the 2007 Carving New Ideas workshop from December 7-9th at Camp Ohio. It's not too late to join a planning committee! Indiana C4-H members plan to come to the The 2008 Plowboy Prom which will be February 16th after the Teen Conference at the Ohio 4-H center. Marie Strouse will be leading a session at the conference called Boot Scootin' School and can use help teaching high schoolers how to teach others line dances.

President Marie Strouse opened the floor to old business. Green OSU Collegiate 4-H t-shirts are still available for \$10, and dues are \$15 for the year or \$6 per quarter. Marie Strouse reported on the high ropes retreat held September 29th. The group learned made it through some team challenges and had a lot of fun. The officers are looking to make it an annual event.

During new business, a suggestion for a club project was brought up by Kristen Corry. The club can enter a themed float in the Homecoming Parade on October 19th. A motion was made by Christy Clary and seconded by Abby Keyt to enter the club in the parade. After some discussion, the motion passed. Kristen will take names of any volunteers who can help plan, build, and drive a vehicle for the float to make a great presence in the parade. An update from last year was given by Marie Strouse on the process for Collegiate 4-H club mini scholarships. The committee will choose the top five applicants for money towards conference trips.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Abby Keyt, seconded by Christy Clary, and passed. The next meeting will be held at 7:30pm in the Ag. Eng. building room 100 on October 17th.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristen Corry