

Coshocton County 4-H Advisory Committee Minutes
October 15, 2009

Bob Buxton called the meeting to order. Minutes of the previous meeting were not available. Melody Lowe gave the treasures report of \$36,460.30 explaining there would be more expenses when more bills come in.

Committee Reports

Food Stand- Melody Lowe talked about the food stand explaining that everything went ok but we needed more helpers especially on auction night.

Beef - Scott Graves said the show went well. There were complaints about the kids drawing their own numbers to sell and also about the home bred and raised animals being born in Coshocton County and shown by kids that live in Coshocton County.

No sheep report was given.

Swine - Dave Hamric stated the show went well, but one judge could have worked better with the personnel at the show. New pens () has some rain water problems.

Horse - D Woodward-Wells said they had a good show and that some of the stalls are getting really bad. Horse representative Linda Ondayko could not be at the meeting but submitted the following report: The horse part of the fair went well, except the barns that were placed next to the horse barn were a problem. They were in the way for the horses, especially the draft and driving kids who had difficulty hitching, entering, and exiting the arena. It also caused a great amount of congestion in the area and it was felt that many people were put at risk. The horse participants were told to stay behind the white lines, however, those barns took up space and the participants had nowhere to stand and wait out of the way. This was the biggest complaint and truly a big problem for the horse people.

No dairy report was given.

Poultry - Carol Rinehart pointed out that this year was the biggest skillathon they have ever had. The poultry show ran way over and there was 94 market chickens sold.

Small Animals - Angela Braniger wants to review the classes and see if changes need to be made, especially with showmanship. There were

complaints about the eligibility of an exhibit in the Cat Show. Also, there was discussion about the Dog Show.

Family and Consumer Science - The Tasting Smorgasbord and the Style Show went well. There were approximately 20 exhibitors entered in the Tasting Smorgasbord and 10 participants in the Style Show. It was felt that many children were not able to be involved due to show commitments.

Leader's Banquet- Maureen Pritchard said the banquet would be held again at the Presbyterian Church, beginning at 6:30 and door prizes and cakes are still needed. The menu will remain the same. People are being contacted for the speaking parts.

Achievement Day - Renee Smith said all the speaking parts are covered. She still needs two more vegetable trays and two more cheese trays. Achievement Day will be November 14th with meal starting at 11:30 a.m.

Old Business

OSU Extension Levy Update - Radio spots have been started. There will be representatives and literature distributed at the Fall Foliage Tour. Yard signs will also be available for distribution.

County Medal Selection (Oct. 27) - Volunteers are being contacted to help in the selection.

Ohio 4-H Achievement Record Selection will be November 5th. This award includes trips, Jr. Fair Board, 4-H Advisory Committee Scholarship, etc.

New Business

State 4-H Volunteer Award Opportunities

Members are encouraged to make nominations for State 4-H Volunteer awards. More information can be found in your advisor's notebook or on the website under advisor's notebook updates.

The Committee decided to once again donate \$250 toward the Silver Level of Support for the 2010 Ohio Volunteer Conference which will be held March 13th. This will guarantee 7 reservations.

Quality Assurance Dates for 2010 were discussed, but no definite dates have been confirmed.

The 2010 Ohio Teen Conference will be held February 20th.

It was discussed which 4-H Committee members' terms will expire. All of these members are eligible to run for another term.

2010 4-H Jr. Camp Dates are July 5-9.

2010 County Fair Dates are October 1-7.

Fair Evaluation - The new method of choosing the fair king and queen was discussed. Most members agreed that the new selection process was fair, however, they felt something should have been sent out telling people that the Senior Fair Board was changing the method of selection.

Mike Haumschild moved to adjourn the meeting and Scott Graves seconded it. Meeting was adjourned.

Attendance: Mike Haumschild, Ro Yoder, Amanda Yoder, Doug Fry, Ellen McClain, Carolee Bookless, Maureen Pritchard, Robert Buxton, Carol Rinehart, Melody Lowe, Renee Anderson, David Hamric, D Woodward-Wells, Stacey Seitz, Scott Graves, Sheila Graves, Erin Ehman, Renee Smith, Angela Braniger, and Jan Luce