

MILWAUKEE COUNTY 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION, INC
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 6, 2009

Present: Michelle Gonzalez, Mary Thiry, Mark Watkins Jr., Mark Watkins, Sr., Ellen Deall, Laura Brushaber

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by President, Mark Watkins, Jr.

Pledges were recited.

Discussed fair issues. The office staff mailed in the forms. A committee is needed and help is needed at the fair to set up/take down, work the action center on Sunday, and auction booth needs to be manned. The fair falls under Tina's committee and Ellen will call her and ask that she call a fair committee meeting as soon as possible. Michelle also asked that Ellen have Tina call her.

Mary mentioned that June 23rd will be the small pets and cat judging at Waukesha.

Mark Jr. wrote the letter to Waukesha fair about this being our last year with them, but he will hold it until after the September fair when we can see how plans will be coming along for 2010. Mark Jr. said he will talk with Sherri Black about our situation and participation in Waukesha's fair in future years.

Camp – Michelle said that her husband has signed up to be a counselor at camp but as of today there still are no campers signed up.

Courtyard project – Michelle said that they have the dollars to pay for materials to make the benches on June 27th (beginning at 9:00 a.m.). Kids are needed to help plant and work on making the benches. There will also be a robotics program at the office that day and members can be invited to stay and see that event also.

Mark Jr. said he will include the Courtyard project on the back of the flyer for the July 7th barbeque. Mark said he will get the flyer to Michelle and will also contact Therese Peterson about helping with the courtyard gardening that day.

Mary talked about the survival of the Leaders Association and said that we need to start working on the goals in our charter. We talked about what needs the program has and identified these: Involvement by youth, parents/grandparents, and leaders; need to start new clubs and sustain the ones we currently have; personal politics need to stop; get clubs to participate in county activities; work on getting the four standing committees functioning.

Discussion of Plank Road School students and their participation in 4-H was held – both the safety and discrimination issues were discussed.

June 9th meeting is cancelled – Laura will send a notice with the minutes from the May meeting this weekend.

Michelle mentioned that there is a new club – Atlas Prep – with Sue Rolison being the general leader.

Mary reminded officers to keep reviewing the charter goals.

Office received the application letter for Miracle on Canal Street from Potawatomi casino and Laura said she will work on getting the application filled out and mailed in by the end of June. Mary will review it prior to Laura's sending it in.

Next board meeting will be July 7th BBQ at Mark Jr.'s home.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Brushaber
Secretary