

MILWAUKEE COUNTY 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION, INC
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MAY 12, 2009

Present: Char Ehlert, Christine Mann, Michelle Gonzalez, Mary Thiry, Mark Watkins Jr., Mark Watkins, Sr., Laura Brushaber

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by President, Mark Watkins, Jr.

Pledges were recited.

Mark Watkins, Sr. moved to accept the minutes from the last meeting. Tina Mann seconded the motion. Approved.

Treasurer, Mark Sr. reviewed the treasurer's report. Tina moved to accept the report. Char seconded the motion. Approved.

Michelle and Mary talked about county projects and also talked about the expectations. They mentioned that there would be no repercussions if goals are not met as these are goals we are striving towards.

It was recommended that a 'meeting packet' should be sent to those not attending the board meetings and also have a 'minutes binder' at the office to include minutes plus handouts. This should be stored in the resource room.

Discussion was held regarding the keys to the building and one person needs to be the name responsible for leader association members who check out and use the keys. Mark Sr. volunteered to have his name on record as the person to be responsible. Leaders Association will suggest the following people to the Extension Office as leaders that may need to check out keys for Extension approval: Mark Sr., Tina, Char, Laura Barker and Laura Brushaber.

Mark Jr. will draft a thank you letter to Waukesha Fair for all the years we were there and informing them that we will not be returning in future years.

Michelle reviewed resource room and policy sheets handed out. It was decided that we need a librarian for the resource literature. Mark Sr. volunteered.

Discussion was held on expanding 4-H more to the City of Milwaukee. Ideas discussed included: County-wide community service, using 4-H Exploring Saturdays as a recruitment tool, and relocating some of the county events.

4-H Code of Conduct was discussed and Laura moved to accept with one correction – to change the wording 'will complete' to 'recommend that they complete'. Char seconded the motion. Approved.

We will be adopting the courtyard outside of room 216 and planting and making benches for it on June 27th. Will check with Sharon Morrissey to see if this fits in their schedule as Master Gardeners will help us work on this project.

Pat Harrington waived our \$1.50 per member fee for this year. Michelle came up with a membership fee options structure. Mark Jr. suggested that we think about this and also send this to club leaders for their input.

Committee Reports

Laura said that she put an article in the newsletter asking for people to help on the organizational committee/fund raising committee and did not get any calls, questions, or replies. She did hear from Waukesha Silent Auction chair and it is ok for us to bring auction items again to this year's fair.

Foods Revue – Tina reported that there were two contestants with three entries.

New Business

Next board meeting will be July 7th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Mark Jr.'s home. It will be a Pot Luck barbeque and Mark will give Michelle a flyer to send out with details.

It was suggested that teens are urged to help with the planting and making of benches for the courtyard on June 27th.

Michelle said that camp counselors (adults and youth) are needed. She is currently the only one signed up.

Discussion was held regarding 2010 summer camp. Mark Sr. moved that we camp with Waukesha County next year. Mark Sr withdrew that motion. Mark Sr. moved that there be no 2010 Summer Camp. Tina seconded the motion. All in favor.

Mark Sr. moved to adjourn the meeting. Char seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned 9:25 p.m.

Next meeting of the board of directors will be July 7, 2009 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Mark Watkins, Jr.'s home.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Brushaber
Secretary