New Castle County 4-H Leaders Association April 22,2024

President Kim Klair called the April 22,2024 New Castle County 4-H Leaders meeting to order at 7:00 pm

All said the 4-H and American pledges.

The secretary report was reviewed. We received a thank you letter from the president of the Delaware 4-H Foundation for our recent donation. The treasurer's report was reviewed. Current savings account holds \$5,817.26 and the checking account holds \$3,541.81. We will withdraw \$650 for change at our up coming Ag Day food booth.

Motion made to accept the reports:

- Motion- Richard Melson
- Second Linda Somers Motion passed.

Agent Update:

- The leaders welcomed Ernie Lopez to our April meeting.
- Reminder to all exhibitors at the 2024 Delaware State Fair to adhere to the new exhibit guidelines. A 4-Her MUST exhibit at least 5 entries or participate in 2 events to receive their weeklong Delaware State Fair Pass. This does not apply to Cloverbuds.
- Update on State 4-H Camp indicates there are 2 spots open for Second Week and 13 spots open for First Week. Environmental Camp is full.
- Watch for the release date of the upcoming Tractor Driving Training. You must participate in this training to participate at the State Fair.

Old Business:

- You may now register to exhibit at the 2024 Delaware State Fair. This
 online registration will remain open until June 1. Remind your club
 members of the new Fair Pass policy.
- 2. The recent 4-H/FFA Dairy Show was a success. We had several NCC 4-Hers exhibit.
- National 4-H Conference is currently happening. We have 3 NCC 4-Hers attending and our leaders, Dave and Patti Simpson are chaperoning.
- 4. The recent 4-H Clothing Showcase had one NCC 4-Her participate.
- 5. The recent NCC Archery Shoot was well attended. Plans are being made to split the shoot into beginner and advanced sessions to reduce the amount of down time for the participants. This will be reflected in the registration form so be mindful of the change.
- 6. The Shamrock Strut Challenge winner was Brenda Shaffer.
- 7. The recent 4-H Spring Formal had nearly eighty teen 4-Hers attend. The State Teen Council did and outstanding job of planning and executing the fabulous evening.
- 8. The Life-Smarts team from Delaware earned 3rd place nationally! This is an amazing accomplishment!

New Business:

- 9. April 24th is the annual Legislative Day in Dover. Currently, there are a record number of registrants.
- 10. The annual spring Paper Clover Drive for 4-H is scheduled for April 24-May 5th. Please encourage your club member families to support this fundraising campaign available at all Delaware Tractor Supply stores. Our NCC store is in Middletown, DE.
- 11. There will be a Health and Wellness Ambassadors (HAWA) meeting on April 25th.
- 12. This Saturday April 27th will be our annual Ag Day fundraiser food booth. Our fearless leader, Brenda Shaffer, reviewed the needed items and after a brief discussion with the leaders, we adjusted our price list for items served.
- 13. May 1st all Jackpot Livestock Show entries are due.
- 14. May 1st all Dairy Leases and National 4-H Congress record books are due to the NCC 4-H office.
- 15. May 4th is the market animal weigh-in at the Cook Farm. If a 4-Her wants to participate in the Rate of Gain contest, he/she must have their animal weighed at this NCC event.
- 16. May 14th is the next NCC 4-H Links meeting via ZOOM.
- 17. May 16th is the NCC 4-H Demonstration Contest, 6:30 at the NCC 4-H office.
- 18. May 18th is the Horse Judging Qualifier, 10am at the Horse Powers Show Hunters.
- 19. May 18th is the Jackpot Livestock Show at the Delaware State Fairgrounds.
- 20. May 19th is the NCC Archery Shoot at B and B Farms from 1pm-3pm.
- 21. May 20th is our next NCC Leaders meeting and Jr. Council meeting.
- 22. May 22nd will also be a make-up session for all judging contests.

Sharing:

- The Clover Quest Club recently participated in an outreach to the Meals on Wheels by decorating the delivery bags with uplifting art and sayings.
- The NCC Embryology School Program is ongoing and thus far has been very successful. Many schools are allowing NCC 4-H to publicly display our contact information on the school property.

Motion to adjourn was made by Brenda Ebling seconded by Richard Melson. The meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday**, **May 20 at 7:00 pm** at the NCC 4-H office.

Respectfully Submitted: Marian Harvey