

Meeting Minutes January 8, 2023
6:00 PM @ BHB

Voting Members by Club			
Club Name	Member Name	Club Name	Member Name
Augusta Livestock		Prickly Pear 4-H	Luke Duran
Big Sky 4-H	Madi Caudle	Red Mountain	
Birdseye Hi Altitude	Randi O'Shea	Silver Creek Stock	Becky Rouns
Bits and Bridles		Silver Spurs	Kristy Brown
Canyon Creek Stock		Sleeping Giants	Michelle Eckhart
Farm Kids		Sweet Clovers	Erin Weisgerber
Gold Nuggets	Rebecca Gruber	Wild Roses	C.J. Lassila
Golden Livestock		Worth Yer While	
Last Chance Livestock	Jo Ellen Wood	406	
Montana City Mavericks	Michelle Ostberg		

Non-Voting Members by Club			
Club Name	Member Name	Club Name	Member Name
Big Sky 4-H	Karyn Hamilton	Independent	Bill Sullivan
Big Sky 4-H	Eran Saunders	Gold Nuggets	Jana Gruber
Big Sky 4-H	Jenne Caudle	Gold Nuggets	Abigail Gruber
Big Sky 4-H	Catelyn Saunders	Gold Nuggets	Joe White
Extension	Mat Peterson-Walter	Gold Nuggets	Alyssa White
Extension	Lexi Foust		

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion/Recommendation
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Call to Order/Pledges	Bill Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM. Pledges were said as a group.	
Minute Approval	The minutes from the December meeting were approved.	Madi moved to approve the minutes. Rebecca seconded. Unanimously approved.
Treasurer's Report	<p>Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balance – \$21,469.58 (Checking account balance) <p>Livestock:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balance – \$50,040.02 (Checking account balance) 	
Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extension Office • Outdoor • Indoor • Youth Council/Ambassadors • Foundation • Clubs • Building Committee • Awards Committee • Nominations Committee • Other 	<p>Extension Office:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farmer's Union Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Limited grant for clubs for \$100 each ○ Free membership for ages 14 and older • 4-H Scholarships are due on February 14th <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If needing a reference from the agent, member needs to contact Mat directly with plenty of notice • New Extension Agent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Emily ○ Starts March 6th • All but one volunteer completed their training by Dec. 31 • Enrollment 410 active members, 91 active volunteers <p>Outdoor Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beef Tagging 77 beef, 8 kids with 2 so 69 will go to fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Halters helped ○ Forms with bill of sale or permit were uploaded • Looking for sponsors for tents • Tagging and Possession dates are in the newsletter • Quality Assurance will be March 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There will be 3 live dates of which one will be in Augusta <p>Indoor Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizenship Seminar will be using the BHB on Monday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please keep the building clean <p>Youth Council/Ambassadors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting is this coming Sunday for Leadership, Youth Council and Ambassadors <p>Foundation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget was presented • Needing nomination for another community member on board 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Lewis and Clark County 4-H scholarships are due the first business day of April. ○ The Montana 4-H Foundation scholarships are due Feb. 14th which is quickly approaching. <p>Clubs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm Kids <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Doubled in size ○ Ambassadors spoke to club on Parliamentary process • Kountry Bumpkins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DBA Prickly Pear 4-H Club <p>Building Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A <p>Awards Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guest speaking at upcoming youth meetings • Working to get youth representation on Awards Meeting • Ribbons, banners, etc. have been delivered <p>Record Books Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See old business <p>Nominations Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	
<p>Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget • Exhibitor Handbook Changes from Outdoor • Record Book Committee Change Proposal • Fair Theme • Other 	<p>Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented at last Foundation meeting • Budget was approved • Foundation made the comment that if Council finds themselves in a bind to come back and request funds • Montana Governor is donating his salary to the state 4-H Foundation \$18,000 <p>Exhibitor Handbook Changes from Outdoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed Change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Page 34: 4-H Livestock Instructions; Section 11. 	<p>Rebecca made a motion to approve the outdoor changes to the handbook. Madi</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Separate first part “All animals must appear in the show ring to receive a ribbon and qualify for the sale.” Into own section, section 11. ▪ Adjust to section 12 and replace “4-H exhibitors will fit and show their own animal. They may be assisted only by other Lewis and Clark County 4-H members. Parents, past 4-H members, friends or professional fitters are not allowed to assist.” With: “Lewis and Clark County 4-H exhibitors should show and fit their own animal. Enrolled Lewis and Clark County 4-H members may be assisted by enrolled Lewis and Clark County 4-H members, volunteers and superintendents. For the betterment of the 4-H members educational experience; parents, outside members, friends and other adults not enrolled in the Lewis and Clark County 4-H program should refrain from directly fitting or caring for a member’s animal unless extenuating circumstances apply. Adults who contribute an abundance of outside assistance to members during fair may be asked to stop by Superintendents or the Extension Agent.” ○ Page 36: Herdsmanship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Remove “Herdsmanship is denoted by: 1. Neatness of stalls, pens and alley’s in all barns as well as storage areas for equipment and feed. 2. Feeding, caring for and grooming of animals (to be done by 4-H members only). 3. Polite, courteous, cooperative, helpful and encouraging to fellow members, leaders, adults and general public. 4. Stall cards and or posters completed, displayed and easy to read identifying member, club, project and any other educational information. 5. Neat, clean and appropriate attire and behavior.” ▪ To be replaced by “Herdsmanship will be scored on a rubric that encompasses the qualities and actions highlighted above.” ○ Page 35: Round Robin Showmanship Contest; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Add to Section 1: there are two separate contests; one for junior members and one for senior members. Members will begin and end Round Robin showmanship in the showmanship class for which they received Grand or Reserve. Exhibitors competing in Round Robin will be limited to one entry. ▪ Remove from Section 3 “showmen who qualify for round robin must notify the project superintendent within one (1) hour after selection if they will compete in the contest. Failure to notify the superintendent will mean the showman doesn’t want to compete and the alternate will then be notified by the project superintendent. Once a showman notifies the superintendent that they will compete in Round Robin, they will not be allowed to qualify for Round Robin with another Animal.” 	<p>Caudle seconded the motion. Discussion called for 3 times. Unanimously approved.</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Replace Section 3 with : “The 4-H member should be asked by a superintendent within two (2) hours of the show if the member will be available for the Round Robin show and if they plan to participate. If a member indicates and notifies a superintendent they do not want to show in Round Robin, the next alternate will be chosen. Once a member indicates they will not show for that species they cannot change.” ▪ Insert new section 4 (#4 moves to #5) “If the individual pulls out of Round Robin within one (1) hour before the show or does not show up to participate in Round Robin, the member will not be eligible to participate in Round Robin the following year. If a station does not have a showman the Round Robin Committee can decide what action to take i.e. whether to trade the animals, eliminate station, choose from an alternate list or any other action that is deemed appropriate.” <p>Record Book Committee Change Proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed: There will no longer be a requirement to have record book/project books checked prior to enrolling in the L&C 4-H fair. Project leaders will submit a project overview form at the beginning of the year and designate at least one (1) meeting during the year where record books will be reviewed and worked on but, there may be more meetings at the discretion of the 4-H Project Leader. Record books will still be reviewed at the end of the 4-H year by club leaders for completion. A fair division will be created for 4-H members to submit a record book to be judged and awarded during the fair. <p>Fair Theme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Boots, Jeans & Big Sky Dreams ○ Summer Jams & Cattle Brands ○ Red, White and Blue Where Dreams Come True ○ Stars and Stripes and Carnival Lights ○ From Grow Time to Show Time <p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need a new accountant for Council and Foundation to file taxes. Must be a CPA. Need TEAMS licenses and QuickBooks licenses too. We have received these services pro bono. Looking to get pro bono or discounted rates for taxes and licensing. A notice will go out in the newsletter. 	<p>Rebecca Gruber made a motion to accept the Record Book Committee proposal. Madi Caudle seconded the motion. Discussion revolving around project leaders that have already completed their planning guides. No need to update this year. The Extension office will send out a reminder. The record book class will be on indoor day. Discussion called for 3 times. Majority approved with 2 dissenting votes. The motion passed.</p> <p>Boots, Jeans & Big Sky Dreams - 1 Summer Jams & Cattle Brands - 5 Red, White and Blue Where Dreams Come True - 5 Stars and Stripes and Carnival Lights - 2 From Grow Time to Show Time – 0 Tie – Summer Jams & Cattle Brands - 5 Red, White and Blue Where Dreams Come True – 8</p> <p>The fair theme will be Red, White and Blue Where Dreams Come True</p>
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New Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other 	<p>Other:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When borrowing equipment, please make sure that it is returned in the same or better shape than when it was picked up. Should something happen, notify the project leader, overall Outdoor or Indoor as appropriate plus Extension Office and work to make it right. Same applies to usage of the BHB. 	
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Council – January 15 – Life Covenant 4:00 pm • Indoor Meeting – January 18 – BHB 5:30 pm • Foundation Meeting – February 1 – Lewis and Clark Library 5:30 pm • Outdoor Meeting – February 6 – BHB 5:30 pm • Council Meeting – February 8 – BHB 6:00 pm • Legislative Breakfast – January 17 – 140 kids plus 50 Legislators registered as of today 	
Adjourn	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 6:51 PM.</p>	<p>Madi Caudle moved to adjourn the meeting. Rebecca seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.</p>

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