Brown County Leaders Association Meeting:

11/04/25

In attendance: Carrie Ostroski (Lost Dauphin), Heather Novak (Denmark Red Lightning), Casey Ostroski (Lost Dauphin), Katie Soquet (Rockland), Lois Van Zeeland (Suamico), Trisha Meulemans (Wrightstown), Anne Zalubowski (Friendly Fields), Lydia Meulemans (Wrightstown), Angela Duckart (Tailwaggers), Mary Van Dyck (Rockland), Eileen Rueden (leader at large), Karen DuBois (Jr Jets), JoAnn VandenAvond (Jr Jets), Hollie Eichhorst (Brown County Fair), Nicki Van Deurzen (Happy Valley), Michelle Krupp (Shooting Sports)

• Katie and Carlissa H presented about Creative Arts Festival. Members of this committee are willing to attend club meetings to promote the Creative Arts Festival.

Secretary Report: comment to add full last names to those in attendance. was approved by Mary and seconded by Eileen.

Treasurer Report approved by Casey, seconded by Mary

- Savings account has \$59,410.41
- Fall Forum reimbursement requests are being received.
- Cloverbud bills are coming in.
- There is a bill for judges for Educational Experiences
- National Congress bill is coming in
- If you have gift card vouchers for leaders recognition, make sure to turn them in.

Old Business

- Leaders banquet went well feedback is to correct booklet throughout the year and make sure to RSVP so a count can be taken.
- Club charters were due 11/18/2025
- Youth leadership training was held 10/18, 12 attended
- Reports were given for those that attended Fall Forum. Casey led a training on Rubik Cubes and lots of collaboration happened
- Budget was discussed and approved by Carrie, motion seconded by Casey.
- Sign up for 4H Online.

New Business

- Snack and committee sign up was passed around
- December will be a cookie exchange. Bring 2 dozen
- Eileen suggested making Brown County 4H buttons, more information to come. Trisha will also check with Angie about making Brown County 4H tshirts

Committees

- Beanbag/Basketball Tournament on 04/18/26
- Cloverbud meeting the third Tuesday of the month at 5:30. Next meeting will need \$5 each for materials.
- Creative Arts Festival 03/21/26
- Educational Experiences interviews were held and 9 youth are going. 1 to National Congress, 3 to Space Camp, 4 to American Spirit, and 1 to Summer Academy. There is a mandatory meeting on 11/8
- Fair will be held 08/19/26 to 08/23/26
 - More cultural arts options (diamond art, engraving)
 - Photography changes
 - Kiddie showmanship time changes
 - o 8/8 fair board to take over fair grounds
 - Weigh in change
 - o If you have any judge recommendations email Hollie
 - Animal judging time may change
 - Talk to Hollie if you have any suggestions
 - 4H graduation will be held Thursday at 5.30
- Food Revue 05/03/26
- Food stand is waiting on pizza bill
- Fundraising dates available at PMI
- Impact: Older youth would like to do more events
- Keep collecting pop tops. 5 totes were brought down
- Shooting sports has a mandatory meeting on 11/8 and 12/13 for new people. They are buying more supplies and will be creating proposal to request donation.
- New leaders are needed for both shooting sports and Tailwaggers
- Tailwaggers had one person go to state agility
- Club reports
 - Wrightstown did Trunk or Try It with their officers
 - Denmark did a community trunk or treat event and had 500 kids. They have Pizza Ranch on the East Side. They will be holding a pop up Christmas event
 - Friendly Fields went to a corn maze and will be making ornaments in November
- Reminder to email parents and youth only
- Doug Thompson will be retiring. Mary made a motion to get him a \$50 gift card from Cabelas and Trisha seconded the motion.

Lois made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Nicki