



Agenda

Date: January 26, 2009
For: Volunteer Meeting 4#

1. Minute taker for this evening
2. Please check club folder for info, forms etc. – roll call for each club
3. By February meeting, will post agenda & January minutes
4. Agent status update
5. Activity Reports – Any?
 - a. LAW canceled
6. TLC update
7. Foundation update
8. Missing paperwork –need audit forms
9. County Events Day – Feb 28th, Tavares Mid School –reg deadline Mon. Feb 2nd – Carla, Annette, Nancy Jo
10. Lake County FAIR
 - a. Check in Monday, March 30
 - b. Judging is Wednesday, April 1
 - c. Fair runs April 2 – 11, 2009
 - d. Premium Books are online, read them carefully
 - e. Livestock exhibitors check the fair website for dates & information
11. Record Book Reminder – due to OL's May 4th
12. Volunteer Forum – Lou
13. Qualifier Horse Show reg March 2nd
14. Fashion Revue entry deadline March 6th
15. ALL registration deadlines are by 5 pm to office
16. Announcements

VOLUNTEER MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 26, 2009

These minutes are presented by item from the agenda.

Linda Lucero, Our Handiwork, will take the minutes this evening.

1. Please check the back table for materials from Vera. You can also leave materials for her there.
2. It has been noted that we will post the agenda to these meetings in advance of the meeting. In the past this did not get accomplished.
3. Agent status update- We had several candidates, one of which we thought would be excellent. Unfortunately we are now experiencing a hiring freeze (or "pause") until March 1. We don't know if we are going to get a 4H agent and won't know until that time. If we are able to proceed, we will need to start the process over from the beginning. In the meantime, we need to keep our program going as much as we can. Thanks to the efforts of all our leaders, we will keep it together.
4. TLC Christmas party went well, and the kids seemed to have a good time. Sr. LAW was cancelled. We have extended the deadline for Int. LAW to February 4. We need to have 50 applicants and we have only 20 thus far. Because of the 4-H Foundation, we may have funds available to help with the registration fee. Please call the office to see if there is any available scholarship money.
5. TLC is working on upcoming events such as community service projects. Angelina reported that the stuffed animal drive went great (they got close to 200 stuffed animals). The next item they are also working on are the discount cards. OUT OF ORDER: A volunteer noted how they set aside club time to work on demonstrations for upcoming events. She was impressed that so many of her kids turned out. In the past, only one member did a demonstration. Nancy Jo and Annette will be happy to come to club meetings to help instruct 4-H members in giving demonstrations. Nancy Jo's number is 407-469-2064.
6. Patricia Sullivan gave a Foundation Report. The big fundraising event into the community will be a "Ribs for Kids" event on March 27. Clubs received tickets to sell ribs and pork butts to raise money for the Foundation, who will refund each 4-H 10% of their sales. All orders must be submitted by the March 23 volunteer meeting. The Foundation is gearing this fundraising event to local business, so if your club sells to businesses, there is a "dinner" available for them to purchase (a complete meal). This "dinner" is not available on an individual basis.
7. We have clubs missing audit paperwork. Please check the list to see if we have received your audit forms.
8. Room monitors needed for County Events day. Room monitors guard the doors, make sure participants are ready to go, and in general keep the activities in the room running smoothly and quietly. They collect judging sheets and make sure they are complete. Specific instructions for room monitors will be provided. Video on how to do a demonstration available, call Carla. The question arose whether power point can be used in the demonstration. It was determined that power point can be used in the demonstration. However, the participant must provide everything needed, it must be able to be set up and taken down quickly. Also acceptable is a video running in the background (for example, of someone brushing a horse), and the participant would actually be talking over it instructing how to brush a horse. At a previous meeting there was a person that volunteered to help with County Events, but she was not present at our meeting. If anyone knows who that person is, or if that person sees these minutes, please call the office. We do not want to refuse help! Also, please remember that each participant must bring their own equipment.
9. Judges needed for the fair. Please don't forget to get in rabbits, poultry, goats and breeding beef entries in for the fair by February 15. We still have two more Volunteer meetings before the fair, so we will continue to keep it on future agendas.

10. As we look towards the end of the year, record books are due to leaders May 4. April 1 for horse record books. FYI has a great deal of this future information that we work very hard on providing. Please know that we are all working very hard to make sure FYI is accurate and up to date.
11. Volunteer Forum on April 24-26. There are a lot of educational activities planned for the volunteers as well as elections. We are still looking to elect a treasurer, reporter, and president-elect. For first time volunteers, there is a discounted price of \$60 for the weekend. Please come out and join us. OUT OF ORDER What is the appropriate/new contact for 4-H Day at the Capitol? Information provided is incorrect. Patricia Sullivan will e-mail the information to Vera.
12. Qualifier Horse Show registration is March 2.
13. Carla provided applications for the Fashion Revue with leader's guides and score sheets. Deadline for entries is March 6. She is investigating the use of "vintage clothes" for the Revue.
14. In regards to deadlines, we must please ask again that all deadlines be adhered to. We will no longer accept the "postmarked date" as the deadline date. When we give a deadline date, it means that the materials must be received in the office by that date (not mailed by that date). County Events information is posted in Vera's FYI, on the meeting agenda, and at the website.
15. Discussion ensued about a new policy made for members involved with horses concerning a safety seminar that is now required in order to enter certain events. Some members missed the safety seminar. Discussion ensued as to whether this new rule was fair or whether it should be "re-visited." Deborah decided that she would evaluate the number of members that completed the seminar and then take that information along with concerns to the Advisory Committee, where further discussion will be entertained. Tractor Supply is no longer offering a 10% discount to 4-H members. There were several other reminders about upcoming events, all of which can either be found in Vera's FYI or the information has been submitted to Vera and further information/details can be obtained from her.