MAB Meeting, January 19, 2021

In person and Zoom meeting called to order by Barbara Wood at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call: Roll was called with 9 people from 5 clubs in attendance: Clover Kids -1; Tigertown -5; Rogers 2 and Agents -2.

Reading of Minutes: A copy of the October 28, 2020 minutes was emailed out in advance of meeting. Each member reviewed on their own. No corrections were made. Staci Sellears made a motion to accept the minutes and Kathy Ide seconded. No opposition, thus the minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report of financial activity was emailed in advance. No questions regarding report. Luke Read made a motion to accept the minutes and Casin Sellears seconded. No opposition, thus the Treasurer's report was accepted.

Committee Reports:

BCYF Report – Sheryl Long and Whitney Grantham reported that the BCYF schedule has been updated to follow COVID-19 guidelines. The updated schedule can be found on the Bell County Youth Fair website. The fair board was meeting the same night to make final decisions on the auction. No club/chapter food tables will be allowed. Masks will be mandatory. Everyone entering the grounds will need to complete a COVID-19 Screening Form. Jackie laid out the FCS schedule changes and the 2 turn in dates.

County Council Report: Luke Read reported that they had an in person meeting on January 13th. The program was State Officer roles presented by Luke Read and Lexy Ide. The community service for Nursing Home donations is not going great but they are continuing to receive donations at the County Extension Office. The next meeting will be March 31, 2021 and the program will be Honey Bees and the community service will be the Crayon Initiative.

4-H FCH Project Coalition: The next FCH Coalition meeting will be February 23, 2021. Hopefully, it will take place in person. Will be discussing possible summer programs and workshops. District 8 Food Challenge took place in November in Gatesville. We have one senior team advancing to state. The District 8 Food Show took place virtually. We have no senior members advancing to state. The Bell County 4-H Fashion Show contest will be March 8, 2021.

Bell Livestock Coalition: Whitney Grantham reported all validations are complete and our numbers are comparable to last year's numbers. BCYF Livestock Judging and Ag Product ID Contest are still on and in person.

New Business:

Finance Task Force Update: Staci Sellears read of the list of proposals that steamed from the MAB Finance Meeting. Sheryl Long asked the question on whether or not judging teams such as livestock judging, ag product id, CMD and meats judging is supposed to come out of 201 District 8 Events or 202 Judging Teams. There was some discussion. We determined that all District 8 4-H events should come out of the 201 line item. Reimbursement for all line items will come at the end of the 4-H year and we can move money around if needed.

Proposal 1: Amend Article 8 of the Bylaws as follows:

- The Finance Committee shall consist of: Treasurer, Vice Chairman, Chairman, and a minimum of three (3) MAB members.
- The Treasurer shall serve as the Chair of the Finance Committee.
- The Vice Chairman shall serve as the Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee.
- The Finance Committee works under the advisement of the County Extension Agents.
- The Finance Committee will meet in person, by email, or other means a minimum of twice once a year.
- Duties of the committee shall be to ereate and review maintain a balanced annual budget for the Bell 4-H Program.

Kathy Ide moved to accept proposal 1. Luke Read 2nd. Motion passed.

Proposal 2: Propose voiding outstanding checks over one year old:

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07/07/2019
Check 1985
Abigail Marzo -8.88

07/27/2019
Check 2027
Rebecca Fisher -250.00

10/07/2019
Check 2067
Bell 4-H Horse Club -12.50

10/07/2019
Check 2070
Maxdale 4-H Club -27.50
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Casin Sellears moved to accept proposal. Luke Read 2nd. Motion passed.

Proposal 3: Propose re-issuing two checks that were lost:

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07/27/2019
Check 2027
Rebecca Fisher
-250.00

10/07/2019
Check 2070
Maxdale 4-H Club
-27.50
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Casin Sellears moved to accept proposal. Luke Read 2nd. Motion passed.

Total of \$277.50 is shown in line-item 307 Misc County Expense in the Amended Budget for this purpose as the original requests were in a different budget year.

Jackie McLaughlin stated that we received a \$100 donation to the scholarship fund from a memorial.

4-H Awards Banquet: Possible dates discussed are August 12 or 13. Sheryl will check availability with Bell County Expo and report back with a date. We will request the Assembly Hall instead of the Champions Club to better space out and social distance in hope of having an in-person banquet. Theme will be 4-H Time to Shine.

Hunter's Spectacular: Sheryl Long stated that the there was a Hunter's Spectacular meeting in December. The committee decided to continue with the virtual format. Staci Sellears stated that we had about the same income from previous years but with less expense. Our budget is suffering due to not have the 2 additional fundraisers of Central Texas State Fair and TSC Clover Campaigns. The tentative date of October 23, 2021 has been set for the live draw.

COVID-19 Update: Sheryl Long reminded everyone on the new COVID-19 guidelines. We are allowed to start meeting in person. Indoors at 50% room capacity, masks are mandatory, social distancing, and everyone must sign a COVID-19 Screening form. Outdoors at 30 people. Every event must have an approved preparedness plan.

Next MAB meeting: May 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Sheryl Long.