



Saskatchewan 4-H Council Inc.
Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 25, 2021; GoToMeeting Platform
MINUTES

Cameron Choquette, Louise Sroka, Dylan Watt, Michell Heidecker, Kylie Mackie, Jason Frey, Trena Hoffus-Preston, Glenn Gress, Alvin Pawlitz (the following directors arrived later in the meeting) Brittany Stepp, Stan Figley, Mike Kirzinger, Leah Clark, Becky Huber Observer: Shelby Corey, Development Officer	Regrets: Brooklyn Trask
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Chairperson: Cameron Choquette

Secretary: Brittany Stepp

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Attitude of Gratitude

2. Call to Order & 4-H Pledge

President Choquette called the meeting to order with the recital of the 4-H Pledge at 6:08 a.m.

3. Conflict of Interest Declaration

No directors declared conflict with any items.

4. Approval of the Agenda with Power to Add

THAT the agenda be approved with the Power to Add.

CARRIED

5. Development Officer Report

Shelby Corey, outgoing Development Officer, was in attendance to present her Development Report which was previously circulated. Highlights included new supporters Cargill and Finning who are supporting new sustainability and science based club kits.

See: Development Officer Report

6. Consent Agenda

The following items were circulated with the agenda:

- Minutes and Recommendations – April 25, 2021
- Chair's Report
- Advisory Council Report
- See: Ambassador Report
- 4-H Canada Annual Report available online at
- <https://4-h-canada.ca/sites/default/files/publications/ar/annual-report-2020-2021.pdf>
- 4-H Canada Strategic Plan 2021-2025 available online (found at bottom of this website <https://4-h-canada.ca/publications>)
- 4-H Canada Operational Committees
- 4-H Canada Financial Statements

- 4-H Canada Insurance Summary
- 4-H Canada Accreditation Manual

THAT all of the consent agenda items be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

7. Unfinished Business

a. Governance Recommendations (AGM Resolutions)

At the April 25, 2021 Board Meeting the board of directors tabled the Governance Committee recommendation on the AGM resolution regarding dissolved club funds to give time to further refine it.

Below is the Governance Committee recommendation (April 25, 2021)

THAT the committee recommends the board accept the AGM Resolution regarding dissolved club finances as amended at AGM, with the rewording of District #35's resolution to "Clubs may designate another suitable alternative in their club constitution, but funds must remain within the 4-H organization. Any charitable gifts to external organizations should be made prior to year-end. The motion becomes:

In the event of dissolution, or when a club does not return to operation at the start of the next 4-H year, the property and assets of the club must be held in trust for a period of two years.

- a. Clubs that do not return to operation at the beginning of the 4-H year, shall:
 - i. Submit a year-end summary with information of the last year of operation by the club registration deadline. [District #32 amendment].
 - ii. Submit a Dissolved Club Fund Directive form indicating where the funds/assets/records shall be distributed in the event the club does not reform.
 - Choices will be limited to: District that the club belonged to, a club within the District, the Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation [District #5 amendment] or transferred to the "Club Start-up Fund" to support other clubs in starting.
 - A club can designate an acceptable other option in their constitution (if the clubs already have it stated in their constitution, where they choose the funds to go, can that not be an option over & above the two already listed). [District #25 amendment].
 - Clubs may designate another suitable alternative in their club constitution, but funds must remain within the 4-H organization. Any charitable gifts to external organizations should be made prior to year-end.
 - Either the entire portion of the club funds, or a percentage of, can be allocated to any of the above choices; However all funds must be dispersed. [District #39 amendment].
 - iii. Transfer all funds and assets to the Saskatchewan 4-H Council to be held in trust.
 - iv. Close their bank account.
 - a. If the club restarts within the two-year waiting period, the Saskatchewan 4-H Council will reimburse the club's funds back to the reforming club.
 - b. If the club is not reformed during this time, the Saskatchewan 4-H Council will transfer funds as indicated on their Dissolved Club Fund Directive

THAT the AGM Resolution be tabled to October Meeting

- [ACTION] Directors Huber and Mackie to further consider prospective wording
- [ACTION] Management to review with legal counsel whether there is an issue or responsibility for the Council if those donating had obligations for funds donated (e.g. sponsorship/grant agreement).

CARRIED

8. New Business

a. Volunteer Screening List for Approval



A list of Volunteer that had completed the required screening documentation was presented.

THAT the Volunteer Screening list be approved.

CARRIED

b. 4-H Livestock Policy Review

a. Confirmation of Cloverbud Beef Change

THAT PP-2.3.2 be amended to include the 2020 AGM/October 25, 2020 Board decision to limit Cloverbud beef projects to one of the following (annually): current year calf, heifer, market steer or cow-calf pair.

PP-2.3.2 Choice and Eligibility of Project Animals

1. A member may enroll only one project animal per project in the province.
 - a. Light Horse, Young Horse, and Rodeo are separate projects, so a member can enroll one horse in each.
 - b. For beef projects, members can take two cow-calf projects in one year - one 2-year old cow-calf pair and one 3-year-old cow-calf pair, in addition to one heifer, and one market steer.
 - c. **A Cloverbud member shall take only one of the following beef projects (annually)**
 - (1) current year calf, or**
 - (2) heifer, or**
 - (3) market steer, or**
 - (4) cow-calf pair**
 - d. Between 3 – 5 beef animals are allowed for the Feedlot project.

CARRIED

The following directors noted their opposition: Glenn Gress, Kylie Mackie, Stan Figley, Alvin Pawlitzka

b. Future direction of Market Animal Sales

THAT PP-2.3.4 be amended as follows to permanently allow other market animal sales methods as below

2.3.4. Sale of Market Animals

1. A member can show and sell only one market animal per project, with the exception of the feedlot unit of the beef project.
 - a. Feedlot unit animals cannot be sold at Achievement Days or regional shows. Where possible, feedlot members should have an opportunity to showcase their project work or animals at Achievement Day or the Regional Show.
 - b. Feedlot animals can be sold by either private sale or auction.
- ~~2. All animals in the market classes must be sold by public auction and becomes ineligible for any further 4-H shows.~~
- ~~3. An online or live, unreserved public auction through a licensed and/or bonded auctioneer (individual or company) will be considered a valid means of selling a market animals.~~
2. **The following are valid means of selling a 4-H market animal project:**
 - a. **A live or online unreserved public auction**
 - i. **4-H auctions may only be hosted by 4-H clubs, district councils, or sanctioned third-party organizers.**
 - ii. **Auctions must be held by a licensed and/or bonded auctioneer (individual or company).**
 - b. **Private sale of animal**
 - c. **Private sale of packaged meat products**
 - d. **Open Market**
3. **4-H members may also choose to:**
 - a. **donate their animal, proceeds from the sale of their animal or packaged meat products**
 - b. **keep their animal, or process it and keep packaged meat products for personal use**

CARRIED

THAT the following be added as an additional point under PP-2.3.4 Sale of Market Animals.

4. Only 4-H members are eligible to market completed 4-H project animals as “4-H”. Once sold, the animal is no longer eligible for 4-H opportunities. Once sold, any meat/products are not eligible to be marketed by a third-party as “4-H”.

CARRIED

THAT the following be added as additional points under PP-2.3.4 Sale of Market Animals

5. Regional Show (or other 4-H competition) coordinators may limit the opportunity to register and show in their market classes to the animals that will be sold as a part of their public market animal auction.
6. Animals must be entered as a part of a competition to be eligible to be sold as a part of that event’s corresponding public auction / sale.

CARRIED

c. Future options for Feedlot Beef sales

THAT PP-2.3.4 be amended as follows to allow feedlot projects to be sold as processed meat

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 - a. Feedlot unit animals cannot be sold at Achievement Days or regional shows. Where possible, feedlot members should have an opportunity to showcase their project work or animals at Achievement Day or the Regional Show.
 - b. Feedlot animals can be sold by:
 - i. private sale
 - ii. open auction
 - iii. **processed and sold as meat packages, but these should not be branded as “4-H”**

CARRIED

d. Integrity/sportsmanship in Beef Shows & Sales

THAT this item be delegated to the program policy committee for further discussion to report back with recommendations to the board at our next meeting.

CARRIED

9. Risk, Compliance & Insurance

a. Incident Updates

An incident report was submitted for a member injury (broken tibia and fibula) after a horse spooked at a light horse activity. This has been reported to the national insurer (although no claim is expected to be made).



An incident report was submitted by a regional show coordinator. Due to a storm, a portion of the event was suddenly moved inside a large arena building and masks were not worn by all participants. Images of the show were circulated in the media (positively featuring the show/4-H'ers, no comment on the masking). No consequences are recommended.

THAT the information be received for.

CARRIED

10. 4-H Saskatchewan Update

Management provided an update on progress against targets set in the 2021 Business Plan. Management also requested feedback/direction on proceeding with upcoming events including equine symposium, the alumni event, and the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

See: Executive Director Q2 Report

THAT the board accept the recommendation to cancel 2021 equine symposium and focus on 2022.

CARRIED

11. Committee Reports

The Chairperson of each committee provided a report to the board on the work of the committee including highlights of the meeting or areas of significant discussion, the decisions that were made within their authority, and the actionable items that have come from the meeting, including recommendations to the board.

a) Finance.

Committee chair, Becky Huber provided a verbal update on the work of the Finance Committee. At their July 22 meeting, the main items of business were Quarter 2 statements and investment updates. All directors were provided the Q2 Budget to Actual Financial Comparison and Becky Huber went over some highlights (grants and club kits, government assistance, and database).

b) Governance

Committee chair, Jason Frey provided a verbal update on the work of the Governance Committee held earlier on July 25. Main items of business were the governance review, involvement of the advisory council and mentorship program for leaders.

c) Selections

Committee chair, Mike Kirzinger provided a verbal update on the work of the Selections Committee at their June 9 meeting. Main items of business were finalizing the recipients from the 2021 scholarship selections and reconsidering hall of fame eligibility tenure.

d) Program Policy



Committee chair, Brittany Stepp provided a verbal update on the work of the Committee at their July 21 meeting. Main items of business were determining the next step following the beef and light horse project reviews and how to revitalize the discover/explore programs.

12. Committee Recommendations

Recommendations and action items from each of the following committee meetings were circulated

- a. Finance
- b. Governance
- c. Selections
- d. Program Policy

THAT all the Committee recommendations be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

13. Correspondence/Other Business

a. Items to/from other stakeholders

i. Ministry of Agriculture

- *Food Day Canada is July 31st which aims to “shine a light on Canadian cuisine,” take the pledge to shop, cook, and dine like a Canadian and share your stories with #FoodDayCanada*
- *Under the Canadian Agriculture Partnership, the Ag Awareness Initiative Program aims to support initiatives that help improve public trust in agriculture; Farm and Food Care Sask (FFC-SK) encourages industry partners to reach out to FFC-SK for potential project partnerships.*
- *October is Ag Month, this year we are encouraged to get involved by taking pictures with stickers provided by FFC-SK using the hashtag #CelebrateAg.*
- *March is Canadian Agriculture Literacy Month (CALM), for more information or to register please visit Agriculture in the Classroom's website.*
- *September 1 is the reporting deadline for our funding agreement.*

ii. Advisory Council

- *The board was informed that SE Advisory Council member, Grace Christensen, would be resigning as she is not returning as a member this fall.*

iii. 4-H Canada

- *The 4-H Canada Annual General Meeting was held July 13. Relevant documents were circulated in the Consent Agenda.*

14. Next Meeting

- Call of the chair



- 2021-2022 Meetings
 - Fall Meeting – October 22-23-24 (**)
 - Foundation Meeting (Date TBD) following Fall Meeting
 - December Foundation / Finance Meeting TBD
 - Winter Meeting – February 4-5-6 (**)
 - Pre-AGM Meeting – March 18, 2022
 - AGM 2022 – March 19 – 20, 2022
 - ** (exact dates to be determined dependent on if guest speakers, facilitators or other sessions will be a part of the meeting, and preference of directors (Friday/Saturday versus Saturday/Sunday))

15. In-Camera

THAT we move in camera

CARRIED

THAT we move out of camera

CARRIED

16. Adjournment

THAT we adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM

Signing Officer

Date