New Castle County 4-H Leaders Association February 24, 2020

President Kim Klair called the February meeting to order at 7:00. All said the 4-H and American pledges.

The Secretary report was reviewed from our January 27, 2020 meeting. The treasurer's report was not available.

Motion was made to accept the secretary report:

Motion: Chris Melson Second: Brenda Shaffer Motion passed.

Agent Update:

- We are pleased to congratulate Angie Brown and Sarah Berninger who were the NCC Volunteer and Lifetime Award recipients, respectfully. Sarah will represent Delaware in the National Volunteer Award competition.
- Ag Day 2020 theme is "Learning By Doing" through conservation. All clubs will be under the tent with the Cooperative Extension. Please let the NCC 4-H office know how many of your club members will be participating as T-shirts will be provided.
- There will be a Horticulture Group forming in Dover beginning March 22, 2020. See the flyer for more information.
- There will be a Rise Against Hunger event at MOT Charter School March 13th 10am 12pm.
- State 4-H Camp and Day Camp registrations open on March 2nd online.
- Pictures from the Favorite Foods Contest are available to view on the 4-H Flicker account. See the NCC 4-H website for the link.
- Operation Christmas Child is continuing with the opportunity for donations once a month as part of this shoebox outreach.
- There will be a 4-H Alumni event on May 3 at the Deer Park. PLEASE REGISTER for this, as they need to have a headcount to hold the event.
- Tractor Supply in Middletown, DE will be hosting a spring Paper Clover drive. See the 4-H newsletter for more information.
- If anyone has new ideas for sessions for the next Leader's Forum please share them with the NCC 4-H office staff.
- There was a great session at the Leader's Forum on a Shutterfly Share site. The NCC 4-H office has more information on this.

The Leaders then participated in a felting demonstration presented by Angie Brown and Maureen Ernst.

Old Business:

1. The leaders discussed possible changes in the format for the State Leaders Forum. Several ideas were shared.

- 2. There were 10 NCC 4-Hers went to the State Teen Council.
- 3. The NCC Links decided to hold a family Meet and Greet this spring at Lums Pond. Watch for information regarding date and time.
- 4. The National Healthy Living Summit was a great success. Betsy attended. Celebrity Chef Carla Hall, a former 4-Her was keynote.
- 5. Winter Workshops are all going well. There is still room in the upcoming Flower Arranging. Ozobots and Photography workshops were well received.
- 6. Camp Counselor (C3) training meeting was held. Twenty teens participated. There is still opportunity for more to join. See the newsletter for upcoming dates.

New Business:

- 7. The National Photography Summit will be held on February 26 to March 1 in Washington, DC.
- 8. The Flower Arranging winter workshop will be held on February 29 from 10am-11am at Appoquinomink High School. There is still space to register.
- 9. On March 2nd, the State 4-H Camp and Day Camp registrations open online.
- 10. March 14 will be the State Horse Bowl competition at Lake Forest High School
- 11. Entries for the Jr. Duck Stamp contest are due by March 15.
- 12. The State Archery Championship will be held on March 21 in Kent County.
- 13. Mark you calendar for the NCC Exchange Group annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Saturday March 21, 2020 at Immanuel UMC in Townsend, DE from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.
- 14. There will be a Horticulture Group forming in Dover beginning March 22, 2020. See the flyer for more information.
- 15. Monday March 23 there will be the NCC Horticulture and Wildlife Judging Contests held at the NCC 4-H office from 4:00pm to 7:00pm
- 16. The next C3 camp counselor training will be held on March 24 at 6:30pm in the NCC 4-H office.
- 17. The first session of the NCC 4-H Demonstration Contest will be held on Thursday March 26 in the NCC 4-H office beginning at 6:00pm.
- 18. The NCC Younger Member Weekend will be held at Ashland Nature Center. Please see the newsletter for registration information.
- 19. Congratulations to Cole Simpson and Matt Trunfio will be attending National 4-H Conference in Washington, DC on March 28-April 2.
- 20. Brenda Shaffer alerted the leaders to the upcoming Ag Day 2020 to be held on Saturday April 25.

Sharing:

- Sarah Berninger shared about an Egg Drop activity that the St. Anne's club recently completed.
- Jenny Trunfio shared more updates on activities from the National STEM Lab available for clubs to use. These can be accessed from the National 4-H Council website.

- Janice Melson shared how a 4-Her in her club shared a demonstration on Making No Sew Pillows.
- For a \$100 donation, the University of Delaware puppy raisers will come to club meetings and show how they train these future service dogs. Well worth the donation.

Adjournment: Motion: Jenny Trunfio

Seconded: Richard Melson

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm

Next meeting will be Monday March 23, 2020 at 7:00pm in the NCC 4-H Office.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marian Harvey