Racine County 4-H Adult Leaders Association (ALA) Meeting Monday, February 24, 2025

The meeting was called to order in the basement of the Ives Grove County Office Building at 7:05. **Attendance** was taken via sign in: Kory Small, Kristina Krueger, Heather Kraus, Matt Kristiansen, Mary Giese, Laura Matter, Jenny Weisensel, Marie Frederick, Jenny Hying, Michelle Roberts, Devon Collary, Mya Rubach, Emily Scott

Excused Board members: Candy Ganhs, Kim Baclawski

Pledges were recited.

Ice Breaker – Participants shared what song they would sing at Karaoke.

The Secretary's Report from the January 27, 2025, meeting, recorded by Treasurer Heather Kraus, was reviewed. Michelle made a motion to approve the minutes. Matt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report – Heather shared the financial report. The total funds in all ALA accounts were \$139,247.23 as of February 24, 2025.

Extension Updates:

Club Dues – Invoices went out today.

<u>Distance Learning Opportunities –</u> are available through the state.

<u>Employment Opportunity – Please refer to emails from Liz regarding a position Extension is looking to fill for summer support.</u>

Committee Reports:

<u>Art 4 All – The committee is still looking for some instructors.</u> Photography is one area in particular.

<u>Cloverbud Fun Day -</u> is April 12, in the morning. The committee of Junior Leaders has begun planning the Candy Land themed event.

<u>Scholarship</u> – is due March 13.

<u>Fundraiser</u> – Sam shared via email that most club packets were distributed. Sturtevant's entrance was difficult to find due to construction. Sunnyside's meeting was canceled due to illness. It was questioned how the suggested buyout compares to the profit we might receive from a family's minimum sales. Profits this year are as follows:

50% pizza, pretzel, cookie 44.4% on KwikTrip cards \$5/Borzynski gift card <u>Online Store</u> – should open by the end of March. The goal is to keep it open year round, with production possibly done quarterly.

<u>Record Book Committee</u> – is creating a "tips" page. They are also selecting "talking points" for those who wish to make instructional videos. They are exploring options for the creation of these videos.

Endowment Grant - Three applications were received.

<u>Outstanding Teens</u> met tonight to discuss event dates and other beginning aspects. Morgan Schoof is serving as a youth co-chair of this committee. Former Outstanding Teens have been asked to support the current Outstanding Teens.

Old Business:

<u>Restructuring</u> – Kathy shared that at the recent Board of Directors meeting, Board members collaborated to make lists of features we want to keep or implement; features we need to change or abandon; and questions we have as we work to restructure.

New Business:

<u>YQCA –</u> It was questioned if there are dates for in-person trainings. Heather composed an email to the state to inquire. Other volunteers present offered to check with area agricultural education teachers.

Upcoming Dates Shared:

Horse Tack Sale - March 1
BOD Meeting - March 6
Rollerskating - March 9, 1:30-3:30

Kristina made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mary seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Ehrhart Secretary, Racine County 4-H Adult Leaders Association