

Dickens County Leadership Advisory Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 13, 2013
Minutes

The meeting started at 6:30 PM at the Dickens Senior Citizens Center. Present were, Lisa Martin, Jody Duggan, Marci Bateman, Melanie McCormick, Jody Cabler, Buffy Boger, Kerry Miller, Amy Dominey, Debbie Gardner and Betsy Arnold.

After the statement of Civil Rights and Cash Management Training the following items were discussed:

Treasurers Report – Melanie McCormick – Adult Leaders with \$3267.68, Horse Committee aka Livestock Special - \$7970.57 and Shooting Sports with \$

Photography

Awards will remain the same with the addition of a \$5 minimum prize to be awarded to everyone who enters. A clinic will take place in the fall at the Senior Citizens Building. Vickie Diggs will be contacted again. Participants to begin taking photos now.

Awards Banquet is set for Monday, October 14 at 6:30 pm at the Senior Citizens Center in Dickens. Meal to be catered by T.C.'s again, families bring dessert. Other menu items to be looked into. Families to begin sending pictures to Kerri Miller asap. RSVP by October 10.

4-H Meetings – junior meetings to be held on 2nd Monday and Tuesday of each month. Just as in the past with an emphasis on project orientation and community service. No meeting in March. Volunteers will provide refreshments. (See attached schedule) Sr. Meetings possibly quarterly with a Christmas Meeting planned.

Community Service activities will begin on Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Adopt-A-Highway location in Dickens. Families will meet at Dickens City Park at 9 AM. Lunch will be served after the activity. An incentive program will involve teams of two separating trash from aluminum cans. The team with the most cans will receive a prize. Cans (empty) will be donated to Crossview Christian Camp. Additional activities include a “shoe drive” in October, Christmas Stockings in December AND a canned food drive for the food pantry and Valentine Cards for elderly in February. In addition, the use of 4-Hers at Raffle Supper and the stock show preparation day.

Fundraisers will remain the same with stock show concession stand, t-shirt sales and cow patty bingo. Cow Patty Bingo to start before September meetings. Jennifer Schmidt will facilitate the t-shirt order. T-Shirts designed by 4-H members. Lisa Martin to lead a back sale during Spur Homecoming to raise money for Family and Consumer Science Projects and activities.

4-H Polo Shirts – Buffy Boger to look for possible sponsors for these.

Food and Nutrition classes will start on THURSDAY, AUGUST 29 at the Senior Citizens Center in Dickens at 5:30 PM. County Food Show on Sept. 30 at Senior Citizens Center. Prizes will be awarded. Food Challenge(11/13), Recipe Rally (any time) and Nutrition Quiz Bowl (12/11) to be facilitated by adult leaders. Buffy Boger, Betsy Arnold and Kerri Miller are good contacts and are welcoming additional volunteers. District Food Show is October 26th at Vernon.

Clothing and Textiles – Lisa Martin to serve as project leader and others are welcome to assist with development of project programs, find facilities and set up date and time for a county fashion show. The District Fashion show is set for April 12 at New Castle.

District Round Up is set for May 1 in Vernon. Excellent participation last year. Everyone is encouraged to enter the following events: Share-the-Fun, SET Poster, Educational Presentations, Public Speaking, Photography and Consumer Decision Making – Buffy, Kerri and Betsy (possibly).

Horse and Beef Quiz Bowl moved to November 20th at Vernon. Jody Duggan to serve at Horse Coach, Currently seeking coaches for Beef Quiz Bowl..

Communication – Email and Facebook seem to work well. Efforts will be made to determine who prefer mailouts. Also, the county 4-H website is being updated weekly at <http://dickens.agrilife.org/>

Record Books – Everyone is encouraged to use Website Download Version and NOT the online version. Need to start NOW. More training to be conducted in the Spring. District Record Book Judging is July 10 at Archery City. Volunteers are welcome.

Livestock Judging will be November 19th in Vernon. Possible practices will be comprised of on site, live evaluation sessions throughout the 4-H District on Saturdays. Dates TBA.

Horse Judging will be April 8 at Vernon. Coach is Marci Bateman. Horse Awards Program will be held September 15.

Shooting Sports - Shooting Sports coaches are Orvin Ellis, Jody Duggan, Stephen Jones, Robert VanMeter, Phillip and Melanie McCormick and Amy Dominey. District Rifle set for April 26 at Wichita Falls & Trap is set for May 17 at Iowa Park. Committee to establish practices for archery, rifle/pistol and trap soon.

4-H Enrollment for the 2013 – 2014 year starts August 15. Once again, families will have to logon to 4-H Connect to enroll.