

Catahoula Parish 4-H Advisory Council Meeting

Minutes

February 27, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.

Catahoula Extension Office

Members Invited:

Leighton Hodges – Youth

Leslie Harrell – SIHS

Jenny Sharp – OPH/Livestock

Gwile Freeman – Superintendent

Tia Neal – HHS

Necie Barker – JES

Oran Tubre – Youth

Jamie Tubre – Parent

Kelly Hudspeth – Parent/Volunteer

Kandi Pentecost – JES

Sheila Counsel – JES

Lanel Sharp – JJHS

Charlea Edwards – Youth

Jeffery Odom – Block

Johnnie Adams – CHS

Libby Ford – Police Jury

Danielle Ogle – HES

Toni Spinks – Parent/Volunteer

Bobby Alexander – 4-H Foundation

Rachel Eichmann – Youth

Kim Tiser – CHS

KaDario Drumgoole – Youth

Bria Mays – Youth

Richard Tiser – Youth

Tori Spinks – Parent/Volunteer

Brenda Higdon – HHS

Gene Edwards – HHS/Livestock

Members Present/Responded:

Rachel Eichmann

Tia Neal

KaDario Drumgoole

Libby Ford

Gene Edwards

Jenny Sharp

Kim Tiser

Leighton Hodges

Discussion:

Members were welcomed by Ashley Powell. Introductions followed. An overview of the 4-H program was discussed. Members were asked to discuss ways to increase enrollment, increase participation in events, ideas for service learning projects, and future focus areas for 4-H.

Increase Enrollment: Communication with sponsors/leaders at schools; discuss interesting facts about 4-H; continue providing a variety of contests throughout the year; videos/visual aids; afterschool workshops/clubs; more hands-on programming.

Increase Participation in Events: Hold events at relevant locales (ex. Caring for cows on a farm); promote livestock program to rodeo participants; fundraisers to help offset costs of out of parish events; corporate business sponsorships to help offset costs.

Service Learning Projects: Community cleanup; Health tips for elementary; sewing workshops and donate money/items to needy or nursing home.

Focus Areas: Tobacco/drug free; Diabetes; Health; Anti-bullying; social skills; Livestock; Fire safety; Personal Safety; School Safety