

**Bossier Parish 4-H Advisory Leadership Council Meeting
August 4, 2010**

The meeting began at 9:40 am. Members present were: Maggie Peairs (leader at Central Park Elementary), Khyria Kelly (4-H'er from Rusheon Middle School), Anne Kimbrough (leader at Elm Grove Middle School), Rodney Madden (Shooting Sports leader), Clint DeLaune (4-H'er from Benton Middle School), Christi Turner (Cloverbuds leader), Phil McMillian (leader at Waller Elementary), Alex Sauer (4-H'er from Benton High School), Patty Sauer (parent of 4-H'er), Alex Shook (agent) and Jeannie Crnkovic (agent).

American Pledge was led by Clint DeLaune and the 4-H Pledge was led by Khyria Kelly.

The minutes from the March 2010 meeting were reviewed and no corrections or additions were made.

Alex discussed the raffle ticket fundraiser that the livestock 4-H'ers will be conducting from now through the District Livestock Show in January. The drawing will be held at the show in January for two sides of processed beef. He announced that the parish show will be held at the end of September and that the pet show will also be held on that day.

Maggie Peairs announced that she has secured a grant for a 4-H Robotics Club at Central Park. The grant has funded two robots and the Bossier Parish School Board is funding three. She also said that she has teamed up with a contact from Baton Rouge to assist with the club and its activities.

Jeannie discussed the information she found out from the community service organizations that were suggested at the March meeting: Providence House, ACTION, Fuller Center, YWCA, St. Jude's and Suttons Children's Hospital. Anne Kimbrough would like to see us fill as many needs at as many of the organizations as possible. The group agreed not to donate items to the ACTION project (food bank in Haughton) until they become more established. Rodney Madden suggested contacting the head of the HUB to see if they need assistance.

The budget crisis was discussed. Suggestions were given for securing funding from other sources:

- AmeriCorps

- United Way

- Senior Corps

- Chesapeake Energy

Maggie also recommended using "senior" 4-H members (9-12 graders) to assist with office duties if 4-H Secretary is lost; i.e., copying, stapling, general "to do" lists, etc.

Rodney asked if specific programs would be discontinued. Alex discussed that some of the award trips have been changed to different locations to cut costs.

No other business was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.