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| **Thurston County Leader’s Council Meeting** |   |
| **Minutes** | **January 12, 2009** | **WSU Thurston County Extension Office** |   |
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| **Meeting called by** | Jenny Taylor, President |   |
| **Attendees** | Doreen Tudor, Mitchell Vorwerk, Kathie McWaid, Chris Swearingen, Deb Parmer, Jeremy Black, Annthea Gobel, Emily Killeen, Kris Bind, Willie Jo Merryman, Ann Moelhman |   |
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| **UpDate by Mitch** | Mitch has posted ads on-line (volunteer.com) and has referred six volunteers.  He has referred 35 youth to clubs.  He has been catching up on all the background checks.  He also will be participating in a volunteer speed match at the Tumwater Library on January 16 and 27. |   |
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| **Treasurer’s Report** | **Doreen Tudor** |   |
| **Discussion** | Found $400 from State 4-H Budget that will be added to Council Treasury. |   |
| **County Budget Update**:  2009 budget was cut by 25%, which is approximately $100,000, not the $5-$10,000 cut that was expected.  Due to the cuts, Office Hours have been cut to 9:00AM to 1:00PM daily.  Need volunteers to assist in the office.  Also the lease in the current building is up in August, during the time of the fair>>will need to move out of the building.  Staff **may** be split up into other County Department Buildings such as County Parks or FairGrounds. |   |
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| **Fund Raising** |   |   |
| **Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Booth** | Leaders Council awaiting word from Fair Board about if there would be a cost for having a booth to sell cookies during the fair:  A percentage of the profits vs. flat rate vs. wave the fee. |   |
| **Fun** Run | Doable project for yet this year.  Discussed holding a dinner after the run for addition income from run event.  Add music for a more festive event?? |   |
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| **County Pre-Fair Event** |   |   |
| **Discussion** | Suggestion from Emily Killeen to do Pre-Fair Events with other counties in our “Cluster” (Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason & Thurston Counties). |   |
| **Conclusions** | Many departments were aware that there would be no sponsorship from the Thurston County Fair Board this year, thus have starting planning pre-fair events for their departments. |   |
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| **Approved Raffels During Thurston County Fair** |   |
| **Applications Received** | 3 Raffle Positions were Available.  3 applications for holding a raffle during TCF were received.Raffles bids were awarded to the following departments:  Benoschek Building, Poultry & Llama |   |
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| **“Reform” the Council**  | Emily Killeen |   |
| **Discussion** | Short presentation from Emily Killeen regarding development of a Board of Directors for a “Mission Based” Management.  This stems from the budget cuts & a need to “rethink” the process for a sustainable 4-H program. |   |
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| More Information | Emily Killeen | Next Meeting |   |
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| **thank you Process** | Doreen Tudor |   |
| **Discussion** | Suggestion that there is a need for developing a position to deal with proper “Thank You” to donors of assistance to the   4-H department on a whole, wether it is financial support, donation for prizes, or offer of assistance & time donation to the 4-H programs in some way. |   |
| **Conclusions** | Tabled for discussion for next meeting. |   |
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| Bring suggestion back to Meeting | Doreen Tudor | Next Meeting |   |
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| **Next Meeting** | **Febuary 9th , 2009   7:00PM** | **Thurston county Extension Office** |   |