

4-H Council Goal Setting Meeting
November 5, 2008

Present: Laura & Hailey Hagen, Jim Dixon, Roy Handley, Lori Zeiser, Vyonne Moran, Campbell Barrett, Colleen Terrazas

Initial Ideas:

1. Simplify leader dues
2. Need more community involvement
3. Need more 4-H get-togethers
4. Members need better preparation for Congress competitions
5. We need to help members get more involved at the county and state levels
6. Address programs for urban youth
7. Promote and expand the shooting sports project
8. Establish programs to retain teens that provide the building of leadership skills

What is most important for the Missoula County 4-H Program?

1. Members need to be involved in more of the planning and leadership.
 - ▶ members and leaders are not aware of all the opportunities available to them
 - ▶ members have a difficult time trying something new
2. Could we create a Junior Leader Council for members age 14 and up?
 - ▶ If this was well-organized, and kids got involved, it could provide inspiration and new life to the 4-H program
 - ▶ This would be a way of educating the kids that attend and hopefully they would take the information back to their clubs
 - ▶ This would provide an avenue for informing and recruiting members to attend Congress, Legislative Breakfast, etc.
 - ▶ Would require personal phone calls by Isaac and Hailey to encourage kids to attend
 - ▶ Once this group is established, kids can promote events through personal phone calls to the general membership
3. How do we encourage participation in Demonstration Day?
 - ▶ Change the name to Demo Derby
 - ▶ Have top 2 or 3 members from each club compete against each other

We found that brainstorming ideas and identifying one or two goals for improvement to focus on each year may be a realistic approach for this committee.

Minutes submitted by: Colleen Terrazas

The next regular 4-H Council meeting will be Wednesday, December 3, 7:00 pm.