*Ashland County 4-H Leaders Meeting*

**July 7, 2013 at 6:30 pm at the Ashland County Fair Grounds**

***Roll Call: Jennifer Nortunen, Sally Mika, Doug Liphart, Kathy Warren, Margaret Oliphant, Pam Ekholm***

***Secretaries Report: Accepted as read***

***Treasurer’s Report: N/A***

Old Business:

* Annual Club Financials – June 30th
  + Clubs need to get a bank statement run for June 30 – July 1st (one full year)
  + Keep it on file to have ready with Charter
  + Give Doug a copy
  + Do this ASAP
* Elementary Adventure Days - A Day at the Visitor Center on July 1st
  + 10 participants. Event ran smooth and was enjoyed
* 4-H Summer Camp - July 11 - 13 at Camp Northwoods in Delta
  + Camp program is ready to run!
* Bay Days - July 18th -20th in Ashland
  + Kero’s will have the 4-H booth on Saturday July 19th from 11:00am – 1:00pm

New Business:

* Elementary Adventure Days …POST CARDS have been sent (Thank You, Office Staff!)
  + Climbing, Hiking & Swimming: July 21th from 10:00am – 2:00 pm in Mellen
  + Kayaking: August 11th from 10:00-12:30 pm in Ashland
* Ashland County Fair – August 28th – September 1st
  + Dairy Bar (Food, Improvements)
    - Committee Suggestions \*\*\*\*FLOW\*\*\*\*
      * New culvert , Plumbing, Sink, Cage Window,
      * Move Deep Freeze (ice cream service)
      * Fix Floor, Add stools, New sign
      * Send any suggestions to Jennifer, Elissa or Denise!!!
      * Jennifer will discuss food ordering
        + Perhaps add a Jr. Supervisor (other counties have this) paid position for an older 4-Her to help things run smoothly during the fair.
        + Perhaps schedule shorter shifts for the kids to work so they don’t feel overwhelmed.
  + 4-H Building Cleanup (set date)
    - Wednesday Evening, August 20th. Begin at 6:00pm. Pizza/Pop provided

 Added Agenda Items:

* Schedule for Record Books, ME’s, and Achievement Night (last year Record Books were due Oct 7th for the PLO Meeting, ME’s two weeks later, and Achievement Night Saturday in Nov)
  + Record Books due at October 6th PLO Meeting.
  + ME Applications are due October 15th
  + ME Interviews will being October 22nd
  + Pam will work on getting Achievement Night set-up
* Thank you read from Aleaha Mika for the ME to Youth Conference
  + Sally gave a positive report about her chaperone experience

Fair Committee broached the idea of dividing the 4-H building to include the Open Class. Our building would be filled with great things and attract more people. The current “open class” building could be rented out by the fair to generate more revenue. Thoughts welcome but we may not have a say in the matter.

 Adjourn:  Jennifer

* **Next Meeting –** August 4th at 6:30 pm at the Ashland County Fairgrounds