

Promotion Expansion Committee Minutes
December 4, 2018
6:00pm Extension Office

The promotion expansion committee met December 4, 2018 at the Butte/Lawrence Extension office at 6:00 pm.

Those in attendance were: Dominique Charlson, Karrol Herman, Renee McAmis, Kristi Messner, Matthew Marris, Michelle May, Richard Sleep and Cindy Riley.

Old Business discussed included a building update. Michelle updated the committee in Tom Smith's absence. Michelle, Tom and Richard met with the Spearfish City Planner to discuss the possibility of a new facility to be built in the area of Spearfish Trap Shoot. A 102 ft. X 104 ft. multi use facility was submitted by Tom and discussed. A parking area will need to be plotted and marked. The city will need to work on a MOU and other issues included the lease, water, sewer and power. While promising to the committee there are many details to be worked out. Grants are being pursued to cover expenses for the lease.

Michelle reviewed the current membership and explained that it is early in the 4-H year and our numbers will no doubt increase.

Renee McAmis gave a recap of her presentation given at the recognition event. She also explained the posters that she, along with Kristi Messner have made and printed at the extension office. Those have been distributed at area businesses. She shared that they were given to leaders at a recent leaders appreciation night and was happy that many had responded by taking them to be distributed.

Dominique shared information about the upcoming Board Game Battles. This will be held at BHSU and involve both College students and Junior & Senior 4-H members. It is to take place on Tuesday January, 22nd. There will be a dinner at 5:00 at the Hive and game time at the Joy Center in the Trump room at 6:00. The hope is to improve communication skills and that electronic devices be forgotten while they concentrate on each other with interaction of board games.

Dominique also reported on the Making Christmas Memories which took place the night before the meeting. Michelle had prior commitments and could not attend. Dominique said that attendance was down and although the milk cartons disappeared, Leone's supplied ice cream cones that made a great replacement for the cartons.

Master Gardener Anna Marris is interested and willing to work with 4-H and non 4-H on the Fairy Garden fair project. Her son Matt indicated that she is also interested in helping families start gardens at their homes.

The committee reviewed the comments that the leader's appreciation dinner produced when asked "how can we make the best better". One comment was discussed about how to keep kids interested in 4-H amongst all the other activities that are vying for their time. The Youth Leadership day was discussed and various topics that could be discussed. A discussion on a renaissance event, a rifle shoot, flamingo yard flocking fundraiser and a Rodeo for kids put on by the BHSU Rodeo Club.

Richard Sleep shared that our new committee has proved to be on top of organization and implementing ideas by reaching new members.