

St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2023

1. Call the meeting to order – President, Sara Trattles @ 6:30 pm – Called to Order 6:30 pm
2. Pledges – Led by Sydney Kirby
3. Members Present: Sara Trattles, Tarina Jansen, Kelsey Kulpinski, Sarah Jane Carpenter, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Julie Bruce, Nancy Mangus, Sydney Kirby, Kayla Ireland, Ella Yunker, Grace Sturgill
Members Not Present: Clay Decker, Ed Klein, Scott Miracle, Megan Jackson
4. Public Comment – None
5. Addition to Agenda/Approval of Agenda – Kayla Mitchell added Animal Science Camp to 11g, CWF Scholarship for Peter Rambadt to 14a, and Correction to 4-H Camp dates under 11d
- Craig made motion to approve additions and agenda, Nancy seconded. Motion carried.
6. Minutes from Previous Meeting (March 6,2023 by Tarina Jansen) – Sydney Kirby made a motion to approve, Connie Myers seconded. Motion carried.
7. Correspondence Received – Kayla Ireland, Secretary, read a letter from United way asking for donation/s to their silent auction fundraiser that takes place during fair. Craig also read a letter announcing Walking Along Suicide Prevention (W.A.S.P.) on May 6,2023 at Rouch World asking if Youth Council would be interested in a vendor booth during the event. Craig made a motion to have a booth at the event, Sydney seconded. Motion carried.
- Julie gave a tentative yes to head the booth.
8. Financial Report – Tarina Jansen, Treasurer
 - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank and Trust checking account as of March 1,2023 – \$54,001.36
 - i. 2 checks not in the register that were rollover from January 2023 and a void check for overpayment of fair passes (new check was written for correct amount). One check given for State Horse Show reimbursement not cashed, Julie Bruce checking with child if they need a new check issued and will void previous check if so. Craig made motion for approval of Financial Report, Sydney seconded. Motion carried.
 - b. Present 2023 Budget for Approval – 2022 Actual Budget completed and 2023 proposed budget finished. Craig motioned for approval, Ella seconded. Motion carried.
 - i. Line RB-2500 (Carol J and Elaine Haas Endowment Fund) – The son spoke with Kayla Mitchell to get clarification of what 4-H money is used for and if to keep contributing.
9. Bills needing Approval/Review:
 - a. Deposit of \$500 to Amigo Centre for 4-H Camp Deposit
 - b. \$75 for ½ of Capital Experience for Peter Rambadt
 - c. \$117.97 for a reimbursement to Kayla Mitchell for a flower arrangement for Scott Miracle and family
 - i. Craig motioned for approval to pay bills, Sydney seconded. Motion carried.
10. Officer/Committee Report –
 - a. Fundraising –
 - i. Plat Books Update – 200 or so left

- ii. Milk Barn – Craig priced out freezer to keep in milk barn (instead of borrowing) and safe for excess money storage during fair and requesting to purchase. Freezer is \$198 plus tax and safe \$79 plus tax. Tarina made a motion to purchase freezer and safe, Ella seconded. Motion carried.
 - iii. Flow Blue Glassware update – Nothing new since last meeting. Craig will make contact before next months meeting.
 - iv. 2024 Chuck a Puck – Julie Carpenter will be notified when a schedule is released. Julie states must buy 100 tickets up front. Julie will update at next meeting.
 - b. Parks –
 - i. New signage for 2023 – Previous minutes states some quotes, still waiting on quotes. Will make final decision at next meeting. Signs and photo signs need to coordinate together.
 - ii. Photo Sign Update – Kelsey states no new updates.
 - c. Scholarship Committee Report – Deadline will be May 1, 2023
 - i. Need another person for selection committee. Kayla will contact a few others before next meeting.
 - ii. Midge Bender Scholarship money has run out. Craig motions to keep scholarship available and Youth Council pay the \$500 this year but remove it next year. Kelsey seconded. Motion carried.
 - iii. \$1,000 scholarship added to application for Jim and Linda Fritz and Family.
 - d. Craig motions to move all the money from the toy tractor auction donated by Jim Fritz to a new account, leaving \$1,000 for this years scholarship, to better track funds available yearly. Ella seconded. Motion carried.
11. 4-H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell
- a. Horse Council Update – Nothing new per Julie Bruce. Working on hiring judges for fair.
 - b. Livestock Association Update – Nothing new. Meeting on April 11, 2023.
 - c. Sign up Update – No changes since last meeting.
 - d. 4-H Camp Update – Dates are June 13-15 at Camp Amigo. Down Payment paid, Camp Counselor Application deadline is April14, 2023 and Camp registration Forms (Available online) deadline is May 26,2023.
 - e. Great Lakes Camp – Scholarship discussed with Kelsey saying Youth Council has always provided scholarship of ½ the total amount., Craig confirms outlined in proposed 2023 Budget. Sarah motions for approval, Kelsey seconded. Motion carried.
 - f. 4th Grade Conservation Tour – Date set for May 9 2023 and May 10, 2023 but may be only one day if all schools in county do not participate. Speaker confirmed for event, a bear tracker conservation dog and his handler.
 - g. Animal Science Camp – One youth attending and requesting scholarship for help with cost (total cost is \$410). Craig motions to pay ½ (\$205), Kelsey seconded. Motion carried.
12. Old business –
- a. Recognition Dinner – Kayla I. will call Centreville Elementary School to ask for openings on November 2, 2023 or November 9, 2023. Will update at next meeting.
 - b. Media to Post/Promote – Camps, Conservation Tour, Scholarship Applications
 - c. Update on Still Project Drapes – No one had received update from Teresa but was supposed to be working on during Spring Break per last communication with her.

- d. Still Project Requested Updates – None needed, Sara will remove from agenda.
13. New Business –
- a. Trophy and Award Discussion – Dr. Hooks and Crown Trophy set up before tonight’s meeting. Craig motions to proceed with Crown Trophy for fair, Connie seconded. Motion carried.
 - Survey will be conducted on the youth’s wants (i.e. feed scoops, buckets, trophies, cups, etc). will table until results are in and decide on style/color of trophy at next meeting. Youth Council will seek another banner quote from Steve before next meeting also.
 - b. Still Project Auction Committee- Nancy requests top be moved to a more open area in barn instead of corner, thinks it will get better advertising and more room during auction. They will meet before next meeting with Becky (if available) to discuss at 5:3-5:45.
 - c. 4-H Honor Court Committee – Nothing new.
 - d. Shirt/Sweatshirt Order – Paper passed around for orders, Kelsey will order.
14. New Ideas –
- a. Tarina motions to buy computer if she finds one before next meeting within reasonable price. Grace seconded. Motion carried.
15. Adjournment – Craig motioned, Kelsey seconded.

Next Meeting Date: May 1, 2023 @ 6:30 pm – at Extension Office