



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
August 28, 2023
MSU Extension Office

President: Sara Trattles
Vice-President: Craig Ulsh
Secretary: Kayla Irelan
Treasurer: Tarina Jansen
Deputy Treasurer: Kelsey Kulpinski
Media: Julie Carpenter

1. Call the meeting to order – President, Sara Trattles @ 6:34 pm
2. Pledges – Everyone
3. Members – Sara Trattles, Clay Decker, Tarina Jansen, Kelsey Kulpinski, Sarah Jane Carpenter, Ed Klein, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Scott Miracle, Julie Bruce, Nancy Mangus, Sydney Kirby, Kayla Irelan, Megan Jackson, Ella Yunker, Grace Sturgill
4. Public Comment – None
5. Additions to Agenda/Approval of Agenda – None
6. Minutes from Previous Meeting (8/7/23) – Kayla Irelan, Secretary
7. Correspondence Received –
 - a. Three Rivers Fire Department – Letter asking for support/donations towards fire safety and preparedness
 - b. United Way – Letter of invite for the Suicide Prevention 5k walk to be a vendor
 - c. SJC Horse Program – Thank you for donation to silent auction
8. Financial report –
 - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank and Trust Checking Account on August 28, 2023 – no change since 8/7/23
 - b. Reminder mid-year financial review on October 2, 2023 at 5:00 pm
9. Bills needing approval/review –
 - a. \$2,500 for Borkholder Vinyl per Clay for labor expense of photo wall
 - b. \$15.90 Keys (15) for milk barn – to Charity Thompson. Craig motions, Scott seconds. Motion carried.
 - c. \$90.70 Pizza to Kelsey – Scott motion, Sarah seconds. Motion carried.
 - d. 13.65 Chips to Craig – Scott motions, Sarah seconds. Motion carried
 - e. Teresa Deering for her child who attended Great Lakes National Resource Camp for \$500. Kelsey motions to pay half (\$250), Clay seconds. Motion carried.
10. Officer/Committee Report –
 - a. Fundraising –
 - i. Milk Barn Sign up – time slots need filled, email Craig to update time slots as they fill. Milk is ordered and will arrive Thursday before fair. Dippin’ Dots ordered also. Milk barn will be open Saturday before fair. Pricing suggestion per craig for milk is 35 per case of pints, 30 per case of quarts, Kelsey motions approval, Clay seconds. Motion carried.
 - b. Parks/Fairgrounds –
 - i. New signage for 2023 Update – Sara will pick up as they get completed, old signs will go in office in case we need to use

- ii. Photo Wall Committee – completed just waiting on sign. Contact FFA for 8 mums for decoration and will hang sign when picked up. Craig motions for approval of mums, Clay seconds. Motion carried. Clay suggests adding sign to photo wall stating “No nails, screws, staples, etc” and suggests adding mulch in front.
 - c. Still Project Auction Committee Update –
 - i. Tanya made forms up for auction per Kayla, Connie M and Nancy M approve. Need yard sign for displays and contact judge. Someone will contact Virginia about dinners for still project judges on day of judging.
 - d. 4-H Honor Court Committee – 9/10/23 at 8:15 pm
 - i. 9 judges total (3 per age group). 10 responses for 8-11 years old (7 will compete), 5 responses for 12-14 years old, and 10 responses for 15-19 years old. Sashes and crowns per donation money with Grace Sturgill needing reimbursed.
 - ii. Still Barn Set Up Tuesday August 29 at 5 pm – all help needed
11. 4-H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell
- a. Horse Council Update – Entries completed, Trophies on their way with early set up on Wednesday
 - b. Livestock Association Update – Open Class superintendent meeting last week for poultry open show, no 4h member crossover but will revisit to open for next year to crossover. Rabbit barn currently closed until assessed by contractor for safety due to being hit by vehicle.
 - c. Livestock Fitting and Showmanship Clinic feedback – went well and everyone happy with demonstrations presented
12. Old Business –
- a. Recognition Dinner – 11/2/23
 - i. Kayla M sent insurance liability request. Theme chosen – “Fall into 4-H”. Virginia to possibly cater? Kayla M will check with Tanya on quantity of people expected.
 - b. Media – Anything to Post or Promote
 - i. Barn set up, Recognition Dinner, Honor Court – Kelsey motions anyone that shows up for still barn set will get a milk barn ticket
 - c. Update on Still Project Barn Updates –
 - i. Sara spoke with Teresa and supposed to be done by labor day
 - d. Trophies –
 - i. Tarina states Sweepstakes Clock shipping out tomorrow, Kayla M states carcass buckles are done, trophies ordered, buyer recognition plaques ordered
13. New Business –
- a. YC nominations for next year – start looking/asking
 - b. Fair Entry Program – Livestock Committee looking at new program. YC pay for half? Kayla M states cost is \$2,500/yr but MSU has licensing contract for \$500/yr. Craig motions to proceed looking into and further discussion, Clay seconds. Motion carries.
 - c. United Way Basket – Tarina will assemble and deliver for silent auction at fair
14. New Ideas – None
15. Adjournment – Clay motions, Craig seconds. Motion carried at 8:12 pm

Next Meeting Date: 10/2/23 @6:30 pm (Financial Revue @5 pm, Nominations Committee @ 5:30 pm)