



# ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting  
February 3, 2025  
MSU Extension Office

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1. Called meeting to order – Craig Ulsh, President, @ 6:30 pm
2. Pledges – Everyone present
3. Members Present – Sara Trattles, Tarina Jansen, Layna Cardella, Holly Jones Gushwa, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Scott Mircle, Nancy Mangus, Kyala Ireland, Emily Redmond, HallieAnn Holtz  
  
Members Absent Amy Propst, Aubree Kruger, Billy Kruger, Charlee Kyle, Ava Sowards-Haack, Addison Smith
4. Public Comment – None
5. Additions to the agenda/Approved Agenda – New Business “e” Fair Books. Bills needing approval/review Reimbursement’s Kayla Mitchell and Nancy Mangus.
6. Minutes from December 2, 2024 and January 6, 2025 Sara made a motion to approve minutes with minor edits to January, Tarina seconded, Motion carried.
7. Correspondence received – Layna read a letter from Rockford Map regarding plat books. This was an informational letter only.
8. Financial Report – Tarina Janson Treasure
  - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust checking account \$33,295.83 on 12/31/2024  
Sara made a motion to put financial Report on file, Nancy seconded, Motion carried.
9. Bills needing approval/review
  - a. Kayla Mitchell Parking \$30.00
  - b. Nancy Mangus Subway \$119.12
  - c. Craig made a motion for the approval to reimburse Kayla, Tarins seconded, Motion carried.
  - d. Sara made a motion for the approval to reimburse Nancy, HallieAnn seconded, Motion carried.
10. Officer/Committee Report
  - a. Fundraising
    1. Milk Barn \*Craig will be the point of contact and handle insurance. The Card, Apple, Debit pay planning will also be Craig (last year there was \$1,300 brought in with this).
    2. Hockey Game-More information to come.
    3. Texas Roadhouse \*Craig and Sara February 26, 2025 from 3-10 in Portage. We are allowed to have information regarding St Joseph County 4-H. Customers need to mention to server they are there with St Joseph County 4-H in for us to receive the 10%.

11. 4H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell

- a. Horse Council Update/Livestock Association Update
  1. Horse Council
    - a. looking at moving Gymkhana from Saturday to Wednesday.
    2. Livestock Association Update (**KAYLA I WRAPPED THIS WITH C FAIR UDATES**)
- b. MAFE Updates
  1. Combined with Fair updates
- c. Fair Updates **IS THIS INFO CORRECT**
  1. Contract
    - a. Approved and Signed
  2. There will be a vote to move Rabbits to Barn 29
  3. There will be a vote for the Rabbit Barn will become a park
  4. There will be a vote for the Pond to be relocated
  5. There will be a vote for the Birthing Tent to go to Barn 53
  6. There will be a vote that Fitting will be allowed to be done by anyone. If this passes, the wording on P 7 #3 regarding Professional fitters will be removed and a letter will be sent out.
  7. There will be yearly reviews for Superintendents and Assn't Superintendents
  8. Will continue to DNA Sheep
  9. May start drug testing other species
  10. An Auction Company approached the Fair about helping with the Auction
  11. Per the Prize Survey Trophies are still the number one thing requested by youth.
  12. Please add information regarding the Still Project Auction to the Fair Book
- d. Sign up updates
  1. Cloverbuds 75 up from 63 in January
  2. Youth 471 up from 436 in January
  3. Volunteers 193 up from 161 in January

12. Old Business

- a. Media Opportunities
  1. Texas Roadhouse
- b. County Awards
  1. There was discussion regarding two children that were 11 at Fair time and have now turned 12 and submitted applications.
- c. Budget meeting-More info to come

13. New Business

- a. Update contact info
  1. a sheet was passed around for updates & missing info. It was also emailed out on 02/04/2025 for those that missed the meeting to update.
- b. Post secondary scholarships-**KAYLA PLEASE HELP WITH THIS**
  1. May 3, 2025
- c. Expo Days scholarships and transportation
  1. Scholarships YC will pay for 1/2 for the Youth (cost is \$250 per youth) and YC will pay for the Adult (cost is \$150 per Adult). Sara made the above scholarship motion, Julie seconded, Motion passes.
  2. Transportation is usually provided by Centreville schools and is one of their busses.
- d. April meeting will be April 7<sup>TH</sup>, which is the first Monday of the month
- e. Fair Books
  1. We will be getting quotes

14. Adjournment – Motion by Sara seconded by Scott motion carried adjourned @ 8:04 pm

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**REGULAR MEETING MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup> 2025 @ 6:30 PM**