



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
May 5, 2025
MSU Extension Office

President: Craig Ulsh
Vice-President: Sara Trattles
Secretary: Holly Jones Gushwa
Junior Secretary: Aubree Kruger
Treasurer: Tarina Jansen
Junior Treasurers: HallieAnn Holtz
Deputy Treasurer: Amy Propst
Media: Emily Redmond
Junior Media: Charlee Kyle

1. 6:30 pm Craig Ulsh Called the meeting to order.
2. Pledges -
3. **Members present:** Sara Trattles, Tarina Jansen, Layna Cardella, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Scott Miracle, Amy Propst, Nancy Mangus, HallieAnn Holtz, Charlee Kyle, and Addison Smith
Absent: Holly Jones-Gushwa, Kayla Irelan, Aubree Kruger, Billy Kruger, Billy Kruger, and Ava Sowards-Haack,
4. Public Comment- none
5. Additions to Agenda/ Approval of Agenda - Tarina made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by HallieAnn Holz. Motion carried.
6. Minutes from previous meetings (April 7, 2024) Holly Jones Gushwa – Secretary were moved for approval by Nancy Mangus seconded by Charlee Kyle and approved.
7. Correspondence received:
 - a. We received a letter from Ed and Amanda Kline a thank you for the brick in honor of their son, and United Way inviting us to participate in the silent auction fundraiser.
 - b. Sara made a motion to do a basket for this year’s United Way silent auction, Julie Carpenter seconded the motion was approved.
 - c. Michigan 4-H asked for a donation for state awards. Tarina made a motion to support this and Sara seconded, motion carried.
8. Financial Report – Tarina Jansen, Treasurer - no report submitted.
9. Bills needing approval/review:
 - a. Counselor and CIT training weekend pizza
 - b. Camp Amigo costs for renting and cleaning the Westshore cabin for the counselor training/Cloverbud day camp.
 - c. Tarina made a motion to donate \$200 to the St. Joseph County Conservation club. Connie seconded the motion and it carried.
 - d. Total for the bills was \$946. Motion made by Julie Carpenter to accept and pay the bills presented, seconded by Sara and approved.
10. Officer/Committee report
 - a. Fundraising
 - i. Milk Barn –Window has been fixed by Scott Miracle. Will set up a clean up day in August. 2025 will want to paint the door.
11. 4-H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell
 - a. Horse Council Update /Livestock Association Update
 - i. Kayla gave a report HC has decided on Disney as their theme for the costume contest. LSA is using fair entry for the 2025 Livestock sale.
 - b. Kayla reported on the completed sign up update. There are some incomplete registrations that may finish up for this year.
 - i. Cloverbuds -96
 - ii. Youth -528

iii. Volunteers - 211

12. Old Business

- a. Media Opportunities to post/promote.
- b. Fair Book Printing Quotes were presented from Litho printer \$2,000 for 100, and Action Quick Print \$290 for 100. Sara made a motion to go with Action Quick Print and to sell them for \$5.00, motion seconded by Nancy and carried.
- c. Expo Days 25 kids are registered to attend Exploration Days June 18-20. Kayla is working to work out the bus like last year. Orientation will be Wednesday, May 21 at 6pm.
- d. Post secondary scholarships – Interviews were completed on 5/3/25. The following are the 2025 recipients:

i. \$2,000 Action-Service-Leadership Scholarship

Eleena Kelley, Fawn River Clovers attending Indiana Wesleyan University

ii. \$1,500 Youth Council Scholarship

Emily Byler, Rolling Clovers attending Taylor University

iii. \$1,000 Jim & Linda Fritz Scholarship

Kenzy Triezenberg, Burr Oak 4-H Club attending International Business College

iv. \$1,000 Youth Council Scholarships

Garrison Bunning, Tumbleweed & Burr Oak 4-H Clubs attending Michigan State University or Grand Valley State University

Lydia Byler, Rolling Clovers attending Indiana Wesleyan University

v. \$750 Youth Council Scholarships

Carlie Doehring, Happy Herdsman & Rolling Clovers attending Michigan State University

Olivia Happel, Burr Oak 4-H Club attending Spring Arbor University

Ben lobe, Leonidas Do-Best attending Cleary University

- e. Trophy Quotes – were presented by Craig. Motion made by Addison Smith and seconded by Charlee Kyle to go with MC Trophy for 2025.

MC Trophy		Crown Trophy	
13" w/ marble base	\$ 11.05	12" w/plastic base	\$ 10.25
8" w/marble base	\$ 6.80	9.45"	\$ 9.45
5 x7	\$ 7.65	5 x7	\$ 10.95
		8 x10	\$45

13. New Business

- a. Fair Reverse Raffle Kayla reported that the Fair is selling tickets for reverse raffle and the fair will donate money back to 4-H for committing to advertise their tickets. Tickets are \$25.
- b. Art Fair at Schoolcraft schools Friday May 9 promoting 4-H, Howardsville 4-H is taking the lead on this 5:00 -7pm.

14. Adjournment - At 7:40 pm Hallie Ann made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Charlee and approved.

a. Respectfully submitted by Sara Trattles.

15. **Next Meeting Date:** **June 2, 2025 @ 6:30pm**