



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
March 4, 2024
MSU Extension Office

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Vice-President: Craig Ulsh
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Junior Secretary: Miley Holden
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Junior Treasurers: Sarah Jane
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Deputy Treasurer: Julie Carpenter
Media: Emily Redmond
Junior Media: Grace Sturgill

1. Call the meeting to order - President, Sara Trattles @6:30 pm
2. Pledges - Everyone present
3. Members Present - Sara Trattles, Tarina Jansen, Sarah Jane Carpenter, Ed Klein, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Scott Miracle, Nancy Mangus, Kayla Irelan, Grace Sturgill, Billy Kruger, HallieAnn Holtz, Keegan New
Members Not Present - Julie Bruce, Emily Redmond, Miley Holden, Ava Sowards-Haack
4. Public Comment- None
5. Additions to the Agenda/Approval of Agenda - Fritz account opened for scholarship money (8b)
6. Minutes from Previous Meeting (February 12, 2024) Kayla Irelan, Secretary - Billy motions approval, Nancy seconds. Motion passes.
7. Correspondence Received - Crown Trophy and list of designated gifts from endowment on campus (\$1,290.00 total - Kayla I. will mail out thank you cards)
8. Financial Report - Tarina Jansen, Treasurer (Craig motions approval, Scott seconds. Motion passes.)
 - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank and Trust checking account as of 1/31/24 - \$52,572.57
 - b. Tarina had Sturgis Bank and Trust make new account for Fritz Family Scholarship money. \$100 was moved today with \$12,138.75 to transfer over from checking amount
 - c. Budget - Will be completed before April 1, 2024 meeting
9. Bills Needing Approval - None
10. Officer/Committee Meeting Reports
 - a. Fundraising
 - i. Milk Barn - Craig sates contract needed written up and agreed upon with SJCGFA for 2024 fair. Meeting will be set up with manager of fair with date TBD.
 - ii. Flow Blue Auction - Craig made contact with Mr. Fritz and no set date for obtaining flow blue glass for auction. Mr. Fritz will contact Craig when he is ready.
 - b. Parks/Fairgrounds
 - i. Plans/Improvements for 2024 (signs on barns, milk barn, etc) – Scott spoke with Chuck Zinsmaster and will help when needed to measure signs for correct sizes. Lighted sign also needs new decals, maybe Emily Redmond can print them off? Kayla I will check before next meeting.
 - c. County Awards Ice Cream Social March 18, 2024. Letters have been mailed out with invites for the recipients.
 - d. 4-H Camp - Interviews done, 9 total counselors (6 females, 3 males), registration opens mid-April

- e. Exploration Days Registration open March 25, 2024 at 7 pm

11. 4-H Development report - Kayla Mitchell

- a. Horse Council Update - (Scott Miracle, Kayla Mitchell) Trying to finalize fair book changes, voted on tomorrow. Started hiring judges.
- b. Livestock Association Update - Working on fair book changes. New beef scale purchased and more rabbit cages were donated. SJCGFA made camping price increase to \$325 for updated electrical and \$275 if not updated along with rule to have load out of campers by 11 am last Sunday of fair week or campers will not be permitted to remove campers until next day (Monday).
- c. Sign up update
 - i. Cloverbuds - 99 with 10 incomplete enrollments
 - ii. Youth - 491 with 21 incomplete enrollments
 - iii. Volunteers - 173 with 28 either waiting approval or incomplete
- d. Update on Leader Meetings - Last meeting is March 13, 2024 at ISD.

12. Old Business

- a. Media Opportunities to Post/Promote - 4-H Camp enrollments, Exploration Days enrollment opening up, State Awards, Scholarship Applications
- b. Jim Gushwa Memorial Bench - Sara has quote from Barco Outdoor Benches and will contact Holly Gushwa
- c. United Way Grant - Craig suggests applying to help cover cost for camps, Exploration Days, SNF, Washington visit, clinics

13. Scholarship Committee - Contact needs made with Midge Bender's family to see if they wish to continue with the \$500 previous scholarship that has since run out of funding, if not it needs removed from list

14. Shirt Orders - Tarina will contact BOFA to see if any other options for purchase outside of sweatshirts and t shirts we normally offer. Will update with options at next meeting so we can get an order placed.

15. Adjournment @ 7:40. Craig motions approval, Nancy seconds. Motion passes.

Next meeting Date: April 1, 2024 @6:30 pm