



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
October 2, 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 – Sara Trattles, President at 6:36 p.m.
2. Pledges – Everyone
3. Members present – Sara Trattles, Clay Decker, Tarina Jansen, Kelsey Kulpinski, Sarah Jane Carpenter, Ed Klein, Julie Carpenter, Scott Miracle, Kayla Irelan, Ella Yunker, Grace Sturgill
Not Present – Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Bruce, Nancy Mangus, Sydney Kirby, Megan Jackson
4. Public Comment – None
5. Additions to Agenda – 13d (Feedback from Parents) and 13e (Color Tour)
6. Minutes from Previous Meeting (August 28, 2023), Kayla Irelan, Secretary – Correct the Sarah names. Tarina motions approval, Clay seconds. Motion carried.
7. Correspondence Received- Ella Yunker read a thank you card
8. Financial Report – Tarina Jansen, Treasurer
 - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank and Trust checking as of 10/2/23 – no updated balance
 - i. Mid year financial review completed 10/2/23
9. Bills needing approval/review –
 - a. Little Mitten Company (\$252) for 2022 and 2023 Sweepstakes shirts
 - b. Action Quick Print (\$40) for still project auction signs
 - c. \$164.95 for water bottles for 4h Youth Camp
 - d. Marsha Shellhammer (\$200) for finishing still project barn drapes, labor and thread
 - e. ALPHA (\$56.79) for photo wall materials
 - f. Dippin' Dots (\$1,291.20)
 - g. Three Rivers Auxiliary (\$21.85)
 - h. Milk Barn License (\$73.00)
 - i. FFA (\$82) for mums
(Clay motions approval of bills, Scott seconds. Motion carried.)
10. Officer/Committee Report –
 - a. Fundraising
 - i. Milk Barn – There were a lot of Dippin Dots left at the end of fair, consider selling ice cream bars next year? All milk was sold.
 - ii. Flow Blue Auction – Revisit next meeting
 - iii. Chuck a Puck tickets – 100 tickets total, Scott will pick up with flyers. \$12/ticket @ cost, sell for \$15/ticket. Need volunteers during event.

- b. Parks/Fairgrounds –
 - i. New Signage for 2023 – Need to swap out signs before winter to the metal signs. Brackets are longer than the new signs, paint them next year? Replace Clover sign next year?
 - ii. Photo Sign – Future banners or plastic signs for sponsorship on back of photo wall. Clay suggests adding a budget for decorations during fair. Will revisit prefair.
 - iii. Memorial Park/ Friendship Park Update – Flagpole needs a permanent fix next year, had temporary fix for fair.
- c. Still Project Auction Committee Report from 2023 – Need a speaker so it is louder next year. Need to have start up cash ready and pay slips for buyers.
- d. 4-H Honor Court Committee – Honor court went well with three age groups. Good feedback.
- e. Nominations Committee Meeting – Meet at 6 pm on 11/6/23

11. 4-H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell

- a. Horse Council Update – meet tomorrow for post fair, no new reports.
- b. Livestock Association Update – Meet at 6p.m. on 10/16/23, post fair species meetings will be set then.
- c. Enrollment opened yesterday 10/1/23. Returning 4-h members deadline is December 1, 2023. New 4-H members deadline is May 1, 2024.

12. Old Business –

- a. Recognition Dinner (11/2/23) – Pig Headed BBQ sent quote for 1 meat, macaroni and cheese, green beans, coleslaw, and dessert @ \$14/head. Clay motions for approval to use Pig Headed BBQ, Tarina seconds. Motions carried. Tarina motions for approval to have just donors and leaders this year, Scott seconds. Motion carried.
- b. Media to Promote – Banquet, Chuck a Puck, 4-H sign ups
- c. Update on Still Project Drapes – Marsha finished drapes in time for fair. Offered to repair a few post fair.
- d. Fair entry Program Update – None. Kayla M will discuss at Livestock association meeting.

13. New business –

- a. Jim Gushwa Memorial – Donate towards a bench with the family? Revisit next meeting with pricing.
- b. Storage – Table until next meeting
- b. Mums – none left to resell post fair
- c. Feedback from 4-H Parents – Parents want marijuana prohibited on fairgrounds. Fair board addressing and looking into posting signs on gates. Also there were people smoking cigarettes around animal barns, fire hazard concern.
- d. Color Tour – Diane Zinsmaster organizing. About 90 mile ride with proceeds split 50/50 between fair board and Youth Council.

14. New Ideas – None

15. Adjournment – at 8:07 p.m., Clay motions, Ella seconds. Motion carried.

Next meeting – 10/30/23 @6:30 p.m., Nominations Committee meets at 6 p.m.