



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
December 4, 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 @ 6:30 pm
2. Pledges - everyone present
3. Members present - Sara Trattles, Tarina Jansen, Kelsey Kulpinski, Ed Klein, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Bruce, Nancy Mangus, Ella Yunker, Sydney Kirby
 - a. Not Present: Clay Decker, Sarah Jane Carpenter, Julie Carpenter, Scott Miracle, Megan Jackson, Grace Sturgill
4. Public Comment - None
5. Additions to Agenda/Approval of Agenda - None
6. Minutes from previous meeting (10/30/23), Kayla Irelan, Secretary - Not completed, will approve at next meeting
7. Correspondence Received - None
8. Financial Report - (Tarina Jansen, Treasurer) Updated October 2023 Report
 - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank and Trust - \$47,641.16
 - i. Fritz donation should be moved to separate bank account next month
9. Bills needing Approval/Review - Craig motions approval, Nancy Seconds. Motion passed.
 - a. Shop 4-H \$11.89 for Certificate Folders at Recognition Banquet
 - b. Supplies for Recognition Banquet to Kayla Irelan - \$88.61
 - c. Still project checks in mail tomorrow.
10. Officer/Committee Report -
 - a. Fundraising -
 - i. Milk Barn - 2023 report, Tarina will update next meeting. Still owe \$980 for ice with Livestock Association owing for 14 of those bags. Previously voted approval to pay bill.
 - ii. Flow Blue Auction - None. Craig will contact Jim Fritz with update next month
 - iii. Chuck A Puck - Keep advertising. Will sell tickets for \$15 each with game on 2/3/24. Need a sign-up sheet for help.
 - b. Parks/Fairgrounds -
 - i. Improvements for 2024 - add business advertisement on wall to previous list
 - c. Nomination Committee Report - Resend emails, make a post on Facebook for more interest/responses
11. 4-H Development Report - Kayla Mitchell
 - a. Horse Council Update - post fair conversations as a group with individual meetings with youth for further feedback.
 - b. Livestock Association Update - Next meeting 12/14/23. Post fair meetings still in progress. Discussion of possible lamb DNA at initial weigh in. Cloverbuds may add dairy feeders to showable animal list with a mentor but now

must attend 2 workouts in summer with sign off from leader. Sweepstakes returning to anonymous draws for animals to show.

12. Old Business -

- a. Recognition Dinner - Feedback
 - i. Around 130 people, food was great, and everything ran smooth.
- b. Media, anything to post/promote - Nominations email for youth council/ballots, Chuck a puck tickets
- c. Elections - email will be sent and due by 12/18/23

13. New Business-

- a. Jim Gushwa Memorial Bench - need quote (Barco), \$700 w/o engraving, table until next meeting
- b. County Awards for Youth - Meet at 5:30 on 1/8/24 to review applications for updates/changes
- c. Club Officer Training -February 1, 2024 @ISD. Coordinate with FFA for a demonstration?

14. New Ideas -

- a. Kayla M attending MAFE again this year? Craig motions approval for up to \$500 for registration, hotel, and meals. Sydney seconds. Motion passes.

15. Adjournment - Craig motions, Nancy seconds. Motion passes.

Next Meeting on January 8, 2023 @6:30 pm

County Awards Committee meeting at 5:30 pm