ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes
October 05, 2026
MSU Extension Office

President: Craig Ulsh
Vice-President: Billy Kruger
Secretary: Holly Smith
Junior Secretary: Katelyn Trattles
Treasurer: Sara Trattles
Junior Treasurer: Addison Smith
Deputy Treasurer: Amy Propst
Media: Emily Redmond
Junior Media: Aubree Kruger

1. Called meeting to order Craig Ulsh, President, @ 6:30 pm

2. Pledges – Lead by Emma Sult

3. Members Present. Sara Trattles, Tarina Jansen, Holly Smith, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Scott Miracle, Amy Propst, Aubree Kruger, Emily Redmond, Billy Kruger, Addison Smith, Rick Gould, Gabbie McCollough, Katelyn Trattles, Emma Sult. Also, present Kayla Mitchell 4-H Program Coordinator.

   Members Excused - Claire Propst

4. Public Comment- Nothing

5. Additions to the agenda/Approved Agenda – There are four additions
   a. 11 4-H Development b. Fair Updates ii Photo wall
   b. 13 New Business a. Hometown Christmas
   Scott made a motion to accept the agenda, Tarina seconded, motion carried

6. Minutes from August 31, 2026 Sara made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections, Julie seconded, Motion carried.

7. Correspondence received
   a. Scholarships-Nothing received
   b. Correspondences
      1. Katelyn & Holly read 23 Thank you cards
      2. United Way Allocation
      3. Fair Book money

8. Financial Report – Sara Trattles Treasurer
   a. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust
      1. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust Checking account $31,710.67 08/31/2026
      2. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust Savings account $25,374.99 06/30/2026
      3. Oakleaf Money market $29,882.15 07/31/2026
      Addison made a motion to put financial Report on file, Julie seconded, Motion carried.

9. Bills needing approval/review
   a. AD Design LLC (Banners) $1,035.50
   b. MC Trophy $204.53 Clock $125.00
   c. Katie Batten $208.00
   d. MSU $500.00
   Addison made a motion to pay bills, Julie seconded, Motion carried.

10. Officer/Committee Report
    a. Fundraising
        1. Flow-Blue
            a. Leave on Agenda
        2. Milk Barn
            a. Make sign that says County Wide Fundraiser
            b. Email blast for anyone to sign up for any day & time
            c. YC Member will still be responsible for day just not filling the time slot
            d. Dippin Dots $70 per case
        3. 38th Annual Red Power Round Up June 17-19, 2027 Centreville Michigan
            a. Pre-packaged food
        4. Chuck-A-Puck
            a. Saturday March 6, 2027 game is at 7:00
            b. Tickets will be digital
            c. Chuck a Puck will be cashless
            d. Tickets are $13.00
        5. Culvers
            a. Keep on Agenda
            b. Sturgis & Three Rivers at same time
            c. More help
            d. Yard signs for promotion

11. 4-H Development Report
    a. Horse Council Update/Livestock Association Update
        1. Horse Council
            a. 10/06/2026 Horse Council Meeting
        2. Livestock Association
            a. 10/14/2026 Livestock Association Meeting
            b. Gallon of Milk Sale was up
            c. Overall auction sale was down
    b. Fair Updates
        1. Updates
            a. Fair Board Meeting 10/15/2026
            b. Photo Wall-Colored Concrete 10x20
            c. There were a lot of still projects and trophies left after fair
        2. Fair Board New
            a. Dues for Association Members due 10/09/2026, election meeting 11/09/2026

12. Old Business
    a. Media Opportunities
        1. National 4-H Week
        2. LDB Thursday November 12, 2026 @ 6:00
        3. Chuck a Puck 03/06/2027
    b. Treasurer Outside Resources-Will stay as is for now
    c. Recognition Banquet
        1. Thursday November 12, 2026 @ 6:00
        2. Centreville Elementary School
        3. Theme will be Celebrating 175 years
        4. Pig Headed BBQ
            a. Will need a count ±2 weeks prior to event.

d. UW Allocation 2027 meeting 11/05/2026 8:30 am Julie will attend
e. County Awards for 2026 extended until 10/16/2026
f. Still Exhibit Auction raised $1,980.00

13. New Business
    a. Hometown Christmas
        1. Centreville MI 12/05/2026
        2. 7:30 Lighted Parade
        3. Craft Projects
        4. Wreath or Baskets due 11/16/2026 (Tarina will make a donation for this)

14. Adjournment – Motion by Sara seconded by Gabbie motion carried adjourned @ 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Holly Smith, Secretary

NEXT MEETING DATES:
NOMINATION COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 2, 2026 @5:30
REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 2, 2026 @6:30