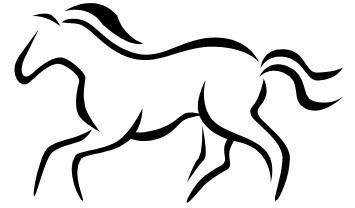




St. Joseph County, MI 4-H HORSE COUNCIL



meeting Minutes

March 12, 2019

President: Danielle Sackrider (Driving & In-Hand)
Vice President: Patti Adams (Cloverbud)(Not Present)
Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)

Secretary: Bobbi Newland (Driving & In-Hand)
Deputy Treasurer: Tereasa Hufstader (Competitive Trail)
4-H Office: Eva Beeker

Clubs & Specialty Areas: **Desperados:** Shajnett Huffman **Town & Country:** Sara Franklin **Tumbleweed:** Pam Cook, Cindy Sigman & Andrea Littlefield **Trail Blazers:** None **Cloverbud:** None **Competitive Trail:** None **Dressage:** Sharon Jones **Jumping:** None **Driving:** Cassie Lewis **Gymkhana:** None **Reining:** None

Guests: Angie Landis

1. Call to Order: President Danielle Sackrider called the meeting to order at 6:40PM
2. Pledges
3. Approval of Agenda. Shirel Hart made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, second by Tereasa Hufstader. Motion passed
4. Introduction & Visitors. Angie Landis from the St. Joseph County Fair Association attend the Horse Council meeting as a liaison between the fair and horse counsel.
5. Approval of HC February Mtg minutes: Pam Cook made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, second by Tereasa Hufstader. Motion passed.
6. Secretary's & Report:
 - Correspondence Received: None
7. Treasurer's & Report
 - Beginning Balance: \$3,777.77
 - Deposit: \$100 Donation to Horse with Most Heart, \$100 Donation to Driving Program, \$50 Donation to Horse Council as needed and \$25 donation towards trophies. Total Deposit \$275
 - \$8.08 received from Amazon Smile
 - 0.37 interest
 - Ending Balance: \$4,061.08
 - Bills to be Paid: None
 - Donations: Second mailing of donor packets will be mailed out in mid-April.
- Other
8. Budget Proposal: Tereasa Hufstader made a motion to approve the budget as presented, second by Pam Cook. Motion passed.
9. Board Comment:
 - Danielle Sackrider is willing to meet with youth prior to the Horse Counsel Meeting about any questions or concerns regarding the horse program. Youth are also welcomed to call, text, e-mail or messenger her.
10. Leader Comment:
 - Pam Cook stated that she attended Eva's required leaders meeting and thought the topic was good and well presented.

- Sara Franklin had some youth attend the YQCA Meeting and didn't receive good feedback. She said the meeting didn't seem to pertain to horse kids and was very confusing.
- Cassie Lewis explained that the State Mini Show date was changed to Saturday August 17. Exhibitor will be allowed to stall two animals if showing a miniature and horse that day. David Marshal memorial service will be held on March 23, 2019 at the First Presbyterian Church in Sturgis at 11:00AM.

11. Youth Comments: None

12. Public Comments:

- Angie Landis and Kris Kirsch will be the fair liaisons. They are looking for suggestions from HC to take back to the fair board. HC members requested access to the announcer box during workouts so we can use our equipment and to have the bathrooms unlocked near the show arena. HC would also like to know where the supply wagon will be so they can use it at workouts. A request was made to lower the mangers in the mini barn and repairing the bleachers near the show arena. It was also requested to have access to the tractor to drag the arena or pay a yearly fee for someone to drag the arena

13. Eva -Info from State.

- Taylor Fabius will be attending the May meeting by video conference. She will be talking about show management, software, the difference between state rules and county rules, the 4-H mission statement and the horse program, youth development, youth involvement, sportsmanship and financial literacy.
- St. Joseph County will be a pilot program for the state
- Leaders and members can now use Snag Shots, which is located on the main MSU website, which include meeting layout and role playing.
- All decision-making meeting will be held at the MSU extension office and must be posted, so everyone can attend.

14. Club Updates: WORKOUT Dates needed so we can post to the Website

- Desperados-Workout will be May 19th at 3:00PM, May 23rd at 6:00PM at Bowdish residence, May 5th at 9:00 AM trail ride at Fort Custard.
- Town & Country- Workouts will be held at Horsemans. 5/8, 5/23, 6/5, 6/20, 7/10, 7/25, 8/7, 8/22 and 9/4.
- Trailblazers: will be sharing workouts with Desperados
- Tumbleweed: Workouts will be 4/20, 4/29, 6/4, 6/11, 6/17, 6/25, 7/8, 7/17, 7/23, 7/29,8/6, 8/13, 8/21
- Cloverbud: Katie has the 2019 CB signup form
- Competitive Trail: 4/28, 5/3, 5/5, 5/18, 6/1, 6/16, 6/28, 7/7. Final ride will be held August 4th on Banker Street in Sturgis.
- Dressage: May 20 will be a beginner workout (no horses). June 6 will be a judge's clinic at 6:00 PM. The clinic will cost \$30 per rider and only 8 spots are available. There will be no fees for auditing.
- Driving: Beginner Clinic June 1 at the fairgrounds. Workouts: 6/11, 6/18, 6/27, 7/11, 7/16, 7/25, 7/30, 8/13, 8/22 & 8/27
- Gymkhana: Workout dates: 5/20 & 7/8. Gymkhana will be holding a fundamental workout at residence on W. Fish Lake in Sturgis.
- In-Hand: Same as driving
- Jumping: No dates
- Reining: No dates

15. Pattern book: Shajnette is working on the pattern book and still needs the cloverbud showmanship pattern.

- Tereasa Hufstader made a motion to purchase laminating pattern for the pattern books, second by Shirel Hart. Motion passed

16. Task

- Show Box
- First Aid Kit: Horse Counsel will be creating a horse and human first aid kit. Shirel Hart made a motion to purchase a human first aid kit, second by Tereasa Hufstader. Motion passed. Town & Country will donate the box for the kit.

17. Fair Discussion

18. Points/Awards: Who will be chairing the following awards?

- Clark Memorial High Point-
- Prairie Pony Award- Cindy Sigman

- Lewis Driving Buckle- Cassie Lewis
- County High Point- Sara Franklin
- English High Point- Tereasa Hufstader
- Megan Holt- Shirel Hart

19. Reminders

- Costume class theme: Disney
- Pony Measuring Dates: April 13 and June 18
- Silent Auction Items are still needed for Youth Council Fundraiser in May
- Coggins Clinic will be held on April 13th at the fairgrounds from 9-1. For more information please contact Diane Zinsmaster.
- 4-H Members Mandatory YQCA Meeting: March 19th, 2019- will be held in the Nora Hagan Theater at Glen Oaks 6:30 PM, April 27, 2019 in Centreville Elementary Gym at 9:00PM. Sign up on-line 24 hours in advance. It will be a \$3 fee

20. Eva Updates

- Harvest for all is March 23rd. It is a competitive canned food drive. Prizes will be awarded to the top three clubs \$200, \$100 and \$75
- Instructions for 4-H reminder texting can be found on the MSU website
- Barns, Yards and Brews- May 3 & May 4 with the silent auction-huge fundraiser for the youth council. Baskets are due in April
- Scholarship information: applications will be on-line soon. Minimum \$750, Maximum \$1500
- TSC Clover sales will be held March 27- April 7. Money raised from the clover sales will go towards 4-H Scholarships
- Exploration Days will be held June 19, 20 and 21. Youth ages 11-19 can attend. TSC clover sales will help off set the cost of the camp. Cost this year will be \$220
- Cloverbud will now be able to show goats this year
- Fair has increased the admission prices this year to \$8 a person and golf carts are \$50 with proof of liability insurance
- Camping reservations have gone out in the mail for 2019 fair
- Hillsdale Horse & Pony auction will be April 13th at 1:00PM

A motion was made by Bobbi Newland to adjourn the meeting, second by Cassie Lewis. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM

The next horse council meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Newland