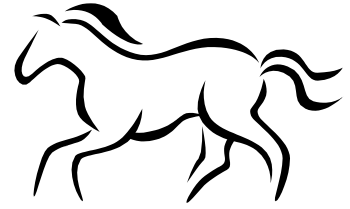




*St. Joseph County, MI*

# 4-H HORSE COUNCIL



## Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2020

President: Danielle Sackrider (Driving & In-Hand)

Secretary: Shajnett Huffman (Gymkhana)

Vice President: Patti Adams (Cloverbud)

Deputy Treasurer: Teresa Hufstedler

Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)

4-H Office: Eva Beeker

- Meeting called to order 6:33 pm by President Danielle Sackrider
- Attendance: Tereasa Hufstedler, Eva Beeker, Danielle Sackrider, Andrea Littlefield, Shirel Hart, Tonya Barrington, Sara Franklin, Jaime Terry, Cassie Lewis, Bobbi Jo Newland, Patti Adams, Mindy Stewart
- Agenda sent out via email this afternoon by Danielle, approved by T. Hufstedler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sara Franklin
- Visitors: Tonya Barrington
  - Potential Program to use for fair sign up.
  - Andrea has idea due to not being able to go into fair office until September 1 to input kids into computer
    - Collect entries in online format like google forms would be much more efficient for the limited time we have.
    - It would make a spreadsheet which can be sorted and organized
    - Similar to other virtual shows sign ups.
    - Could potentially
  - Danielle asking if we can use Google forms to get the kids to sign up and then during fair or post fair enter classes to avoid the time crunch and convenience issues.
  - Fair is using software is called Blue Ribbon,
    - 4H no longer uses blue ribbon, fair pays extra for support for the program
    - Premium Checks are ran out of this program
  - All classes ran at fair count for premiums and program counts top 5 premiums.
  - Danielle suggests run the shows at fair more like an open show and have the kids sign up the morning of or day before and then add information to Blue Ribbon the week after fair
  - Tonya would then need judges sheets in the event of a person calling and saying they didn't get paid for the right class.
    - We have judge cards, and can print class sheets with placings from the Charlie Horse program
  - Eva wants to take some time to process the ideas, we need ideas that will work for Fair, 4H and the office.
    - Adding to Agenda to next month for clarification (using google forms, signing up day before or day of show, using Charlie Horse system and inputting into the fair system after fair.
    - Eva wants to get an for sure on if there will be a in person fair or not.
      - May have more answers after June 12
    - T. Huf asked if maybe we could trailer in and out for the show days versus keeping animals there.
  - Bobbi Jo Newland asked if MSU will make ruling if 4H can show or is it going to be up to the fair
    - If our fair was before September 1, there would be guidelines for no face to face
    - At this point it is a decision of what the fair board decides to do and if president Stanley from 4H is ok with It as well.
  - Jaime Terry asking how it will work if we cant have a face to face fair
  - Cassie asking about getting agreement to driven dressage judge for show after September 1.
    - Tonya can mail it from home.

- Patti asking if our fair Judge agreements have been returned and confirmed.
  - Tonya not sure if all are back in but can let us know hopefully within the next week
  - Eva got one back via email.
  - T Huf has an agreement ready for Competitive Trail, but wants to know if something needs to be put in regarding if we cancel due to COVID, we are no obligated to pay.
- Treasurers Report
  - No Change from May meeting that we know of
    - Mail at the office and has not been picked up.
  - Youth Council indicated that they were writing a check out to HC for \$90 that was incorrectly deposited to their account.
- Leader Comments: None
- Board Comments:
  - Nice to see the kids posting their videos
- Workouts
  - Driving kids bringing new horses that may or may not be broke
    - Encouraging everyone to submit a video, but didn't say that its required.
      - Need guidelines because lots of new members and lots of new horses
    - Bobbi Jo talked to Ruth about possibly holding a workout or two before fair
- Awards
  - Need to have a discussion → Pending news on this
    - Rethink how we do them
    - Do we even have them
    - When do we need them ordered so we get them by fair?
      - Trophies – Otten is a go if we have our fair with the understanding that as long as his supplier has enough in stock, we can go with what we chose.
        - A lot of parts come from China
        - Can we donate some of the extra trophy toppers from Sturgis Trophy house to Otten
    - How is the budget?
    - Sara has some new donor forms sitting at 4H office, wondering if its too late to get those processed
      - Eva says we will get them processed.
    - Right now we cant order anything with 4H money per MSU.
    - We will know more after June 12, Eva will clarify
- Club Updates
  - Comp Trail: official ride scheduled for Sunday Sept 13 at Webb residence on Banker st
    - Judge is ok with judging there
  - Driven Dressage fair show scheduled for Saturday Sept 12 9 am at fairgrounds.
  - Dressage: Sharon Jones and Patti Adams would like to offer virtual Dressage tests
    - Offered for the virtual shows with certificates
      - Ok if feedback only
    - Thinking 1 walk/trot classical and 1 intro classical, and w/t western and test A western
    - Patti getting links to Cassie
    - Updating facebook page with basic rules and someone riding demo tests with links to additional information.
    - Sharon does give lessons so if anyone needs help, contact the leaders and they will direct them to someone non-4H related
  - Gymkhana
    - If kids go to any horse shows find Shajnett, Shirel, or Tereasa to have us watch.
    - If not, send videos on the facebook page.
- Eva Updates
  - Reminder: still requiring YQCA and email certificate to Eva or drop off in box at extension office – need done by August 14.
  - Patti read a letter from MSU saying that kids could transfer from one county another that is holding a fair
    - How do they go about doing that?
      - St. Joe County closed new member enrollment as of May 1, 2020
        - Our deadlines are hard deadlines

- Hillsdale and Allegan doing the same thing
- Parents for background checks will sign up under silver volunteers

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

The next horse council meeting is scheduled for July 7 , 2020 via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shajnett Huffman

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