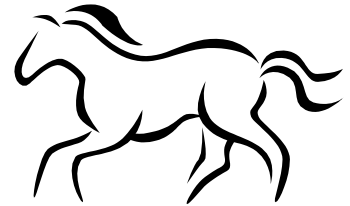




St. Joseph County, MI 4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2018

President: Diane Zinsmaster (Desperados)

Secretary: Bobbi Newland (Driving & In-Hand)

Vice President: Danielle Sackrider (Tumbleweed & Driving/In Hand)

Deputy Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)

Treasurer:

4-H Office: Eva Beeker

Clubs & Specialty Areas: Desperados: None **Town & Country:** None **Tumbleweed:** Pam Cook **Trail Blazers:** None **Cloverbud:** None
Competitive Trail: Tereasa Hufsteder **Dressage & Jumping:** None **Driving:** Cassie Lewis **Gymkhana:** **Reining:** None

Guests: Tom Miller and Kris Kirsch from the St. Joseph County Grange Fair

- **Call Meeting to Order:** HC President Diane Zinsmaster called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM
- Pledges: 4-H Pledge & Pledge of Allegiance were recited.
- **Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda by Shirel Hart, Second by Pam Cook. Motion carried.
- **Introduction of Visitors:** St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board members Tom Miller and Kris Kirsh attended the meeting. Tom and Kris would like to be a liaison between the 4-H program and fair. They were interested in some of the concerns/issues 4-H experienced at fair. They asked Horse Council members for suggestion to help make improvements. Several director positions will be available this year. You must be a member for three years before you can run for a director position. Association fees are due by October 9, 2018. The next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2018 at 7PM.
- **Approval of August 28, 2018 HC Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Tereasa Hufsteder to approve the meeting minutes as presented, second by Cassie Lewis.
- **Secretary's Report:** Thank you letters were received from Mari Clark, Taylor Jones, Paige Walton, Sam Sigman, Jada Koenig, Aiden Staple, Zach Sackrider, Kal Wesse, Mikayla Wilcox, and Megan Zinsmaster for the sportsmanship award. Horse Council also received thank you letters from Sam Sigman, Olivia Cannizzaro, Madelyn Miersma, Kadence Jennett, Allison Littlefield and Brady Littlefield for the high point award. Mikayla Wilcox and Ben Littlefield wrote thank you letter for the 10 year plaques. Horse council also received thank you letters from Brooke Gabbard and Hydee Staples. The thank you letters were passed around for everyone to read.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Diane presented the treasurer's report from the August 31, 2018 bank statement with an ending balance of \$8,679.69.
 - Invoices:**
 - Sturgis Trophy House-\$1915.00 for trophies and sportsman plaque. Motion made by Tereasa Hufsteder to pay the bill, second by Shirel Hart.
 - invoice for \$189 to the St. Joseph County Grange Fair for donor gate admission. Motion to pay the bill by Tereasa Hufsteder, second by Pam Cook.
 - \$200 receipt for the Horse Council Bench
 - Invoice for Tereasa Hufsteder for \$49.95 for hay bags awarded to the Competitive Trail exhibitors.
 - Invoice for \$191.28 from Twisted Brand for High Point award
 - A motion was made to reimburse Tereasa Hufsteder up to \$20 for the Competitive Trail decals and to reimburse Diane Zinsmaster for Ice and Water. Motion made by Pam Cook, second by Cassie Lewis. Motion carried
 - A motion was made to pay the Running Hard Products bill, once received, for the Sportsmanship Chair. Motion made by Danielle Sackrider, second by Tereasa Hufsteder. Motion carried.

-A motion was made to pay \$100 more for the Driving Judge. Motion by Tereasa Hufstader, Second by Pam Cook.

- **Public Comment-** None.
- **Leader Comment-** Driving-Cassie Lewis will be attending the mini state meeting this week. She will have an update on any changes at the next Horse Council Meeting.
- **Board Comment-**None.
- **Discussion/Action Items:**
 - Fair Wrap-up
 - 2018 Fair highlights
 - Any barn/arena/other issue that need addressed before next year. Suggestions were made to repaint the mini barn and work on the conditions of the arena.
 - Update-Leader/Family. A celebration of Life will be held October 13, 2018 for Jack Wiley. Lori Bowdish was recently involved in a horse accident.
 - Judges
 - Show Days/Class Participation
 - Point Committee-Special thanks to Danielle Sackrider
 - Cloverbuds-very positive & great year! Special thanks to Katie Staples
 - Jumping-Hannah Yoder is stepping down from jumping and will continue to help with dressage
 - Brainstorming/Ideas for 2019 Shows (SQ, Fundraiser shows, Sportsman, etc)
 - Eva update-
 - Livestock association meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2018 at 4PM. The meeting will be held at MSU Extension Office.
 - The milk barn made a profit this year at fair.
 - Award banquet is scheduled for November 8, 2018
 - The Youth Quality Certification Assurance (YQCA). Horses may be required to complete it this year.
 - Reminder: Kids and leaders can start signing up on-line
 - County Award and 4-H Awards will be available on-line and are due by the end of the week
 - Mary Loudenslager has 2-3 horses available for 4-H use. Please contact Eva for more information.
- Adjournment: Motion by Bobbi Newland, second by Tereasa Hufstader. Adjourned at 9:09 PM

Next meeting: November 13, @ 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Newland