

St. Joseph County MI 4-H Horse Council  
October 5th, 2021 Minutes

President: Teresa Hufsteadler (Competitive Trail)      Secretary: Andrea Littlefield (Tumbleweed)  
Vice President: Shajnett Huffman (Desperados)      Deputy Treasurer: Pam Cook (Tumbleweed)  
Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)      4H Office: Autumn Converse

Attendance: Andrea Littlefield, Shirel Hart, Bobby Jo Newland, Shajnett Huffman, Teresa Hufsteadler, Danielle Sackrider, Connie Miracle, Pam Cook, Autumn Converse, Sara Franklin, Mindy Stuart, Cindy Mingus, Megan Burk, Kenzie Horning

#### AGENDA

1. Call the meeting to order at 6:33
2. Pledges
3. Additions to agenda- no additions
4. Approval of Agenda- motion by Danielle, 2nd Sarah
5. Introduction of Visitors - Megan Burk, Kenzie Horning, Cindy Mingus
6. Public COmments/Leader Comments- Megan and Kenzie are youth members. Would like HC to think about changing to age division grouping instead of breed grouping for the 2022 show season. Reasoning is that it would make larger classes with more competition. They also suggested alternative award choices for fair ie. gift certificates, or useful awards. Also asked us to fix the showmanship age divisions to reflect junior and senior exhibitors.
7. Secretary report/correspondence received- thank you letters from several 4H members for fair trophies
8. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Beginning Balance \$5,243.79
  - b. Ending Balance \$3,393.28
  - c. Bills to be paid \$342 Running Hard products Top 10 Buckles, \$1,676.28 Youth Council for 2 years ribbons for fair, Kaylene Elliott \$400, Somer Renollet \$275, Jolene Bester \$350, Jenny Pierucki \$350, Otten \$76, \$16.95, \$205, \$79.50, \$415
  - d. Deposit \$100 Horse with the Most Heart Donation, \$1,750 check from Fairboard to pay for judges for the fair
  - e. July interest .43, August interest .45, Sept interest .23, Amazon Smiles \$10.87
  - f. Motion to accept and pay bills by Connie, 2nd Bobbi
9. Leaders/Specialty comments
10. Fair recap.
  - a. Trophies- What is still being reworked? Otten does not want to do ur trophies next year
  - b. Shows- How do we make Sunday morning better? Perhaps start with an exhibitor meeting to explain how the 2 rings work. Need to establish if we are using a working order or volunteer order for patterns.

- c. Other- Fair would like to set a price for outside vendors to rent our trail equipment for shows. Motion made by Andrea to charge \$75 per show to rent our trail equipment. 2nd Danielle. Motion passed, we need to take an inventory.
- d. Discussion about moving our canopy and tables to a secure location or purchasing a lock cabinet to store them.

11. Awards- Awards will remain the same as last year with the exception that the Lewis Driving Buckle will now be sponsored by the Newland Family.

12. Team Tournament- Teresa Howk presented information about the Team Tournament. Questions should be directed to her if you are interested in joining.

13. Elections- All elections were won by Acclamation.

- A. President- Shajnette Huffman
- B. Vice President- Teresa Huffsteadler
- C. Secretary - Andrea Littlefield
- D. Treasurer - Shirel Hart- a motion to amend the constitution was made by Andrea to change the constitution allowing Shirel to continue as treasurer, 2nd by Bobbi, motion passed
- E. Deputy treasurer- Bobbi Jo
- F. Social Media rep.- Mindy Stuart

14. Youth Council Update- Youth Council has decided to move their meetings to the 2nd Monday of each month, effective November 2021.

15. Autumn's Updates- May 1st enrollment deadline, August 1st horse sign up, Looking into adjusting the Cloverbud age range, no minimum age to volunteer, 21 to chaperone overnight events. Autumn will find out the herdsmanship winners from the fair.  
Next meeting for HC October 5th at 6:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn at 9:07 by Shirel, 2nd Bobbi

Next meeting date November 2nd 6:30 at the 4H office