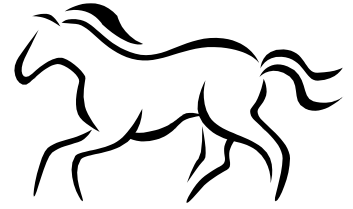




St. Joseph County, MI
4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2019

President: Danielle Sackrider (Driving & In-Hand)

Vice President: Patti Adams (Cloverbud)

Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)

Secretary: Bobbi Newland (Driving & In-Hand)

Deputy Treasurer: Tereasa Hufstedler (Competitive Trail)

4-H Office: Eva Beeker

Clubs & Specialty Areas: **Desperados:** Shajnett Huffman & Mindy Stuart **Town & Country:** Sara Franklin **Tumbleweed:** Andrea Littlefield, Pam Cook & Cindy Sigman **Trail Blazers:** None **Cloverbud:** Patti Adams **Competitive Trail:** Tereasa Hufstedler **Dressage:** None **Jumping:** None **Driving:** Bobbi Newland, Cassie Lewis & Danielle Sackrider **Gymkhana:** Shirel Hart & Teresa Howk **Reining:** None

Guests:

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by President Danielle Sackrider at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledges

3. Approval of Agenda. Tereasa Hufstedler made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, second by Pam Cook. Motion passed

4. Introduction & Visitors. Garrison Bunning, Meredith Bunning and Kadence Franklin. Garrison Bunning came to the 4H Horse Council Meeting to share with everyone how he was going to spend the prize money from the Prairie Pony Award. Garrison said he would be purchasing a new show halter for his pony. He told Horse Council that his favorite classes are all the in-hand speed classes. He really enjoys showing under the lights at fair.

5. Approval of HC August 27 Mtg minutes: Tereasa Hufstedler made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, second by Patti Adams. Motion passed.

6. Secretary's & Report:

- Correspondence Received: Horse Council received several Thank notes from 4-H members.

7. Treasurer's & Report

- Beginning Balance: \$3,816.03
- Income: \$7,703.46
- Ending Balance: \$13,571.65
- Sturgis Trophy House submitted a bill for \$1,900.50. A motion was made by Andrea Littlefield not to pay the bill until Horse Council receives all the plaques and trophies, second by Shanjett Huffman. Motion passed
- A bill from Sturgis Press was received in the amount of \$142.41 for exhibitor card/stall cards
- Fair Judged: Driven Dressage Judge \$250.00 and Ridden Dressage Judge \$350.00
- Miscellaneous bills: Shirel Hart \$108.85 for radios and \$7 for radio box
- The fair paid \$1850 for judges this year
- A motion was made by Cassie Lewis to pay the remaining balance, second by Tereasa Hufstedler. Motion passed.
- Horse Council Board decided to pay \$400 to the St. Joseph County Fair for stalls that were not clean to the fairground's standards at the Driving and Pleasure Fundraiser Show.

8. Board Comments

- Danielle read a list of post fair comments and suggests. Some suggestions were to separate the younger age divisions, remove breed type divisions and change it to age divisions, add ranch horse classes, ways to make the Margie Tien arena safer, creating an explanation of jobs, etc
- HC members talked about what went well at fair and where possible changes could be made.
- Reminder: Sign ups for youth and leaders are due December 1, 2019. There is a \$20 sign up fee per 4-H member or \$60 family fee. Every youth will need to sign a code of conduct form.

9. Leader Comment

- Andrea Littlefield suggested having a "Thank You Note" writing station at the fair. This way youth could get help writing Thank You. She got the idea from Branch County Fair. She said Branch County Fair also provides their youth with pictures for the Thank You Notes.

10. Youth Comment: Nothing

11. Public Comment: Nothing

12. Fair Liaison Update: Not Present

13. Club Updates:

- Tumbleweed: Will be having a Costume Party/Sign Up Party October 28, 2019 at the Centreville Elementary Library at 6:30 p.m. Costumes welcome
- A motion was made by Shirel Hart to remove Reining as a specialty program, second by Shanjette Huffman. Motion passed.

14. Show Updates: Bobbi Newland will contact Ruth at the Fair Officer for possible shows dates for 2019 session.

15. HC Board Elections

- President: Danielle Sackrider
- Vice President: Patti Adams
- Treasurer: Shirel Hart
- Deputy Treasurer: Tereasa Hufstedler
- Secretary: Shanjette Huffman
- Media: Cassie Lewis

16. At Large: Cloverbud and Competitive Trail

17. Eva Update:

- TSC paper clover sales are October 9-20th
 - County Awards are posted on-line
 - Peter Rambadt will be attending the National Congress in Atlanta Georgia
 - Club financial paperwork is due December 1, 2019
 - Organizational Leadership Meeting will be held October 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. Meeting will be at MSU Office
 - Required Leader Meetings will be held at the ISD on November 14, 19 or 26th at 6:30 p.m.
 - New leaders that have been approved will need to attend the leader's meetings in November
 - 4-H Awards Banquet will be held at the Centreville Library on November 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
 - Tractor operator class will be held again this year. Date TBA
 - Sportsman Award. Please make sure youth are dressed appropriately for interviews. No t-shirt, jeans, short dresses, etc
18. Adjourn: A motion was made by Tereasa Hufstedler to adjourn the meeting, second by Bobbi Newland. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

The next horse council meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Newland

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