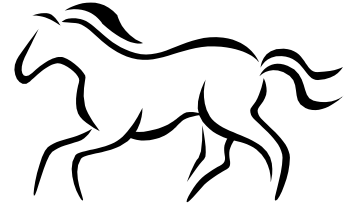




St. Joseph County, MI
4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Horse Council Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2018

Attendance: Diane Zinsmaster, Danielle Sackrider, Shirel Hart, Mindy Stuart, Teresa Hufstedler, Connie Miracle, Sara Franklin, Pam Cook, Cassie Lewis, Andrea Littlefield, Hannah Yoder, Sharon Jones, Patti Adams, Eva Beeker

Absent: Bobbi Jo Newland, Jamie Terry

1. Call to Order- 6:30pm
2. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Patti Adams, 2nd by Pam Cook- motion passed.
3. Visitors: Caitlyn Hughes- attended mtg to share what she would do with the Prairie Ponies award money- plan to buy a new halter for her horse. Funds released.
4. Approval of Oct. 2, 2018 mtg minutes- Motion by Cassie Lewis, 2nd by Teresa Hufstedler- motion passed.
5. Secretary's Report: Shared Thanks-You letters received from Brady, Ben and Allison Littlefield and Taylor Jones.
6. Treasurer's Report: beginning balance \$7479.70, Ending Balance: \$3,971.52
 - a. Eva to request treasurer checkbook and supplies from Jamie Terry.
 - b. Shirel does not have any checks.
 - c. Check for \$100 written for Jim McKeith- approved at Oct 2018 mtg.
 - d. Shirel made a list of bills paid out.
7. Comments: Fair Association meeting on 11/12/18- Horse Council members present indicated that Fair Association is working to revive the fair and wanting to work with 4-H. Budget for fair was discussed at the fair association meeting.
8. Discussion Items: Fair Highlights: class sizes good, Sharon wants to continue to expand the dressage program, Discussion to ask Fair about moving English to its own day (Wednesday), Mini In-Hand classes on Monday night were fun with several participants. It was noted that English day was too long (13 hours). Motion from Pam Cook to purchase a \$75 gift card for the judge as an appreciation for the long day. 2nd by Teresa Hufstedler. Motion carried. Patti Adams to buy the gift card and to be reimbursed by HC.
9. Discussed Barn 19 needs the hay feeds to be cut down for the mini's, right now the feeders are too tall.
10. Pony Express will be in St. Joseph County June 6-9 2019.
11. Possible meeting to be set up with new HC board and Fair Board to discuss working together more.
12. Megan Show is scheduled for June 15 & 16.
13. Mini State show will be held on the Sunday of the Horse State Show: Aug 16, 17, 18.
14. Discussed possible show dates for 2019. Danielle to call Ruth at fair office to get them scheduled.
15. Horse Committees:
 - a. Pts/Awards- Danielle Sackrider- Chair
 - b. Judge Hiring- Patti Adams and Andrea Littlefield (Pleasure/Western/Dressage/English), Bobbi Jo and Cassie (Mini/Draft).
 - c. Rules/Constitution/Fairbook: Patti, Pam, Teresa, Cassie, Shirel, Annette Kellyu, Mindy and Bobbi (per text from Bobbi).

- d. Pony Measuring: Danielle Sackrider, Bobbi Jo Newland and Cassie Lewis.
 - e. Shows- TBD
16. Look for information on required leaders meetings to be announced.
17. Rules committee to revise/re-evaluate Horse sharing and to bring recommendations to HC.
18. Eva's Updates:
- a. All youth showing at fair will need to attend YQCA- \$3 to take the course. Dates are Jan 9, 2019 @ 6:30pm at Glen Oaks, March 19, 2019 @ 6:30pm at Glen Oaks or April 27 @ 9am at Centreville Elem. This replaces the previous livestock meetings. Must sign up 24 hours in advance. \$12 to take the course on-line. Cloverbuds are exempt.
 - b. Mary Loudenslager has a few mares she would like to donate to 4-hers.
 - c. Robert Newell would like to donate to the horse program.
 - d. Clubs have not turned in inventory lists- please complete and do so.
 - e. Need HC inventory list.
 - f. Fairbook changes needed by February 1, 2019.

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