



# ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

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Regular Meeting  
February 3, 2020  
Courthouse Annex II  
MSU Extension Office  
Centreville MI 49032

President: Craig Ulsh  
Vice-President: Jennifer Mead-Bennett  
Secretary: Kelsey Kulpinski  
Treasurer: Virginia Trattles  
Deputy Treasurer: Julie Carpenter  
Media: Tarina Jansen

1. Call the meeting to order at 6:29pm by President, Craig Ulsh
2. Pledges were led by Regan
3. Members Present: Regan Barrington, Julie Carpenter, Julianna Collins, Brenda Eggleston, Rachel Eggleston, Samantha Hoekstra, Tarina Jansen, Kelsey Kulpinski, Jennifer Mead-Bennett, Connie Myers, Brian Quirin, Peter Rambadt, Bree Seekman, Virginia Trattles, Craig Ulsh, Tricia Ulsh  
  
Members Absent: Sydney Johnson
4. Public Comment
  - a. Kristina, an exchange student from Bulgaria to do a presentation about her country.
5. Additions to the agenda/Approval of Agenda
6. Minutes from previous meeting (January 6, 2020), Kelsey Kulpinski, Secretary were reviewed and Tarina made a motion to approve the minutes as read with one change on the CWF price from \$1650 to \$1500 and Brian seconded. Motion carried.
7. Correspondence received- None
8. Financial Report – Virginia Trattles, Treasurer & Rachel Eggleston, Junior Treasurer
  - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust checking account as of February 3, 2020: \$31,676.50
  - b. Balance in Oakleaf Financial account as of December 2019 was \$16,133.61
9. Bills needing approval/review:
  - a. Postage- \$504.30
  - b. Action Quick Print, Checks - \$86.00
  - c. Betsy Rambadt, Peter's Trip - \$750.00
  - d. Fair Publishing (Ribbons)- \$7,552.25
  - e. Grange Fair, YBB- \$250 Rent
  - f. Jennifer made a motion to approve the treasurers report and pay the bills, Julie seconded. Motion carried.
  - g. Jennifer amended the original motion to include the payment to the Grange Fair for the Rent for building used for silent auction. Brenda seconded. Motion carried.
10. Officer/Committee report
  - a. Silent Auction- packets to everyone on YC were handed out to begin working on. A&K has been generous enough to donate 300 printed flyers for the auction.
    - i. Rent \$250.00 to grange fair
    - ii. Date: May 1-2, 2020
  - b. Milk Barn
    - i. Fair request for help with scraping & painting 4 barns in exchange for the rent of the building. Otherwise rent would be \$855. A decision is being tabled until we know some more detail.

11. 4-H Development Report

- a. Fair Budget update- Last year the Fair gave us about \$18,000 for various things, this year they are backing that down to \$15,000 for judges, ribbons, meals but to NOT include fair passes. This amount is then split (by a percentage based on those signed up) between YC and Livestock Association and Horse council.
- b. 4-H Camp Director- It will be posted that we are looking for a director for this years camp.
- c. TOP update- Tractor Operator was last Saturday and they had about 8 kids present.
- d. Clover Bud Workshop- there will be a workshop in May on a Saturday.

12. Old Business

- a. United Way activities- Tricia reached out to United Way and they are finishing up their campaign and do not have activities out yet.
- b. Exploration Days – Date: June 24-26, 2020- YC typically pays half the cost. Eva said that she is up the TSC Paper Clover sales amount from \$30 to \$50 for each kid. Jennifer made a motion to have the YC portion lowered back to \$90 from \$110 as the TSC Paper Clover amount is increased from \$30 to \$50. Still leaving each kid to pay \$80. Julie seconded. Motion carried.
  - i. Bus- Barb Weston is going to graciously check with Cardinal about a bus again and a reduced cost.
- c. CWF – Date: June 20-27, 2020
- d. Youth Council open seat- as most are aware, Connie Pagels passed away since our last meeting. We now have an open seat on the council and the remaining write in nomination was contacted and they turned that seat down. After being asked, Brittany Bogema, past council member, agreed that she would be willing to fill that spot if the constitution committee agreed. Jennifer made a motion to appoint Brittany to fill that seat. Kelsey seconded. Motion carried.
- e. Trophy Presentation Date: March 9, 2020 @ 6pm
- f. Fair Book Order cost quotes: Impact Solutions- \$410 if picked up, Action Quick Print \$510, A&K hasn't gotten quote back yet. Eva wants to have fair books in March. Rachel made a motion to use Impact Solutions for printing and Bree seconded. Motion carried.
- g. Club Financial Review Update- 5 clubs were reviewed.
- h. Donation review/update- Jennifer made a motion that any donation under the amount of \$25 would be recognized with a trophy only and those over the \$25 will also get the recognition banquet ticket and 1 Day fair pass as usual. A disclaimer letter would be sent out with the first invoice this week. Bree seconded. Motion carried
- i. Still Project Auction update- has been passes through MSU.
- j. Sheep Trophy- was brought back/found and re-awarded correctly.

13. New Business

- a. County Wide Community Service Project- "Sound the Alarm" to make a committee to begin working on this project.
- b. 2020 Youth Council Contact list- being updated again.
- c. 4-H Youth Council Scholarship Interview Date: Either April 25th or May 16th, to be decided later.
- d. Budget Date: Feb 25, 2020 @ 5:30pm
- e. Youth Council Committee Assignments- done
- f. Constitution Update Committee meeting date: March 9th @ 5pm
- g. Youth Council Shirt order 2020- Youth get one free of their choice

14. New Ideas

- a. Facebook Spotlight member/club to be posted.

15. Adjournment- at 8:30pm by Regan, Brittany seconded. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting Date: March 9, 2020, 6:30 p.m., MSU Extension office**