



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
March 11, 2019
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: Brittany Bogema

1. Pledges were led by Allison and Lucas
2. Members Present: Julie Carpenter, Kelsey Kulpinski, Connie Pagels, Connie Meyers, Lucas Carpenter, Allison Littlefield, Andy Rambadt, Craig Ulsh, Tricia Ulsh, Emily Mead, Kolton Beachey, Sabrina Nelson, Jennifer Mead-Bennett, Barb Weston, Virginia Trattles, Nancy Hiemstra, Samantha Hoekstra, Brittany Bogema (call in).
3. Public Comment- Ron Weston & Kris Kirsch of the Fair board are part of the fundraising committee and they came to Youth Council to ask if we would be interested in selling Dip N Dots out of the milk barn at the fair and we could split the profit. We decided to discuss at the next meeting.
4. No Additions were added to the Agenda
5. Minutes from previous meeting (Feb. 4, 2019), Kelsey Kulpinski, Secretary & Emily Mead, Deputy Secretary. Virginia moved to approve the minutes and Nancy seconded. Motion carried.
6. No Correspondence received this month.
7. Financial Report – Virginia Trattles, Treasurer. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust checking account as of March 11, 2019: \$40,484.14
8. Bills needing approval/review:
 - a. Barn Rental for Silent Auction - \$250
 - b. National 4-H - \$585.21
 - c. Eva, 4-H camp - \$10.75
 - d. Conservation Club donation for last year and this year - \$400Jennifer moved to approve the financial report and pay the bills as read, Kelsey seconded. Motion carried.
9. Horse Council Report: They sent out their donation packets. Executive Committee board working well together.
10. Officer/Committee report
 - a. Silent Auction, Jennifer Mead-Bennett - "Thank You notes" to hand out at the time of donation pick up this year instead of waiting! Also, still doing the award for the top club donations.
 - b. Scholarship Committee update: met, reviewed and changed scholarship application. (4) \$750, (2) \$1,000, (1) \$1,500, (1) \$500 as well as the \$1,500 donated scholarship.
 - c. Fair Book update/Still Project: still projects guidelines updated. Fair book will go to printer shortly.
 - d. County Award update: Met and made a few changes as well as updated application.
11. 4-H Development Report
 - a. United Way update: approved grant, United Way activities found on St. Joseph County United Way. A few that are coming up are the Golf Outings and Radiothon.
 - b. 4th Grade Conservation Tour is now going to be May 7th and 8th at the Covered Bridge Farm
 - c. State Awards update: 8 applicants, no notice of acceptance.
 - d. YQCA dates (March 19, 2019 @ 6:30pm, GOCC Nora Hagen Theater & April 27, 2019, Centreville Elem Gym @ 9:00am)
 - e. Guest Speaker, Janel Stewart, at April 8th, YC meeting to speak about "Roles and Responsibilities on Councils"
12. Old Business
 - a. Committee Assignments have been made and already in progress.

- b. Park Benches Update- we now have 3 of the 5 new benches that we are ordering, sold! We also have a bench sold that needs one board replaced. As well the 3 previous benches that have already been purchased.
- c. Club Financial Review, all 5 clubs were reviewed.
- d. YC Budget - The budget was looked over and Allison moved to approve the budget and Lucas seconded. Motion carried.

13. New Business

- a. Youth Council Shirt order was placed
- b. Pictures are being taken tonight minus Brittany
- c. Trophy Decision: decision made by the Youth. Black picture frame, Black plaque with Gold lettering, and Silver & Gold Trophy. Photos are up on the Facebook page. Andy moved to go with a little different style cup this year and Allison seconded. Motion carried.
- d. Fair Passes were budgeted for. The price will change from \$3 to \$4
- e. New Ideas
 - i. Youth Spotlights in alphabetical order when done on the Facebook Page
 - ii. Youth on the Livestock Association

14. Kelsey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm, Allison seconded. Motion carried.

Respectively Submitted by Kelsey Kulpinski & Emily Mead

Next Meeting Date: April 8, 2019, 6:30p.m., MSUE office

Looking Ahead:

March 12, 4-H Horse Council Meeting, 6:30pm, MSUE
March 19, Exploration Days Registration
March 23, Market Beef Weigh-In
March 27 - April 7, TSC Paper Clover Sale
April 1-7 SPRING BREAK
April 8, 4-H Youth Council Meeting, 6:30pm, MSUE, (Guest Speaker)