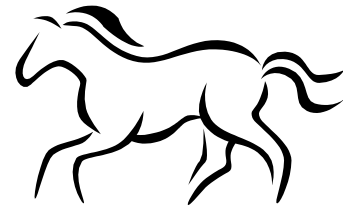




St. Joseph County, MI  
4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, August 25, 2015

**President:** Diane Zinsmaster (Desperados)  
**Vice President:** Julie Bruce (Town & Country)  
**Treasurer:** Tereasa Hufstedler (Competitive Trail) - absent  
**Deputy Treasurer:** Pam Cook (Cloverbuds)

**Secretary:** Cindy Sigman (Sauwauseebee) late  
**Club/Specialty representatives:**  
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**Buckaroos:** None **Desperados:** Megan Zinsmaster (Teen), (Diane Zinsmaster) **Sauwauseebee:** (Cindy Sigman) arrived late, Amy Taylor, Angie King **Stirrup Fun:** None **Town & Country:** Connie Miracle, Scott Miracle **Trail Blazers:** Vicky Sutton, Lisa DeLeo  
**Tumbleweed:** Norma Switalski

Eva Beeker, MSU 4-H Program Coordinator

SPECIALTY AREAS:

<b>Cloverbud Representative:</b> (Pam Cook)	<b>Competitive Trail:</b> Tereasa Hufstedler
<b>Dressage:</b> None	<b>Driving:</b> Brenda Lewis, Bobbi Jo Newland
<b>Gymkhana:</b> Shirel Hart	<b>Horse/Judging Bowl:</b> None
<b>Jumping:</b> None	<b>Reining:</b> None

- 1) **CALL MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGES:** At 6:39p.m. Diane Zinsmaster called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H pledge was recited.
- 2) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Addition to the agenda-stall committee. Agenda acceptance 1<sup>st</sup> Tereasa Hufstedler, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shirel Hart, motion carried.
- 3) **INTRODUCTION OF VISTORS:** None
- 4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM August 4, 2015:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tereasa Hufstedler, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Cook, motion carried
- 5) **SECRETARY'S REPORT:** No correspondences were received.
- 6) **TREASURER'S REPORT:** There was a correction, a deposit of \$29.58 with and ending balance of \$7133.37. Acceptance of this correction, a motion was made by Shirel Hart and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pam Cook, motion carried. Add bills of \$90.00 for club sportsman to Signs-n-More, \$30.71, to Tereasa Hufstedler for black ink, \$119.91, Schneider's for Competitive Trail. Approval for Schneider's 1<sup>st</sup> Norma Switalski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shirel Hart, motion carried. There was a correction to payback checks, Norma Switalski made a motion to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shirel Hart, motion carried.
- 7) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- 8) **LEADER COMMENT:** None
- 9) **BOARD COMMENTS:** No comment
- 10) **Barn Painting:** Need to contact Bill Johnson
- 11) **Barn Monitor:** Sign-up
- 12) **Qualified members list went out:** Jumping, Driving, Gymkhana
- 13) **Job list assignment:** Went around the room for leaders to sign, for jobs for the fair. Shirel Hart and Diane Zinsmaster, spoke about parent and leader verbal exchanges, Also please make sure you show up for volunteer times, it makes thing easier.
- 14) **SPECIALTY AREA REPORTS:**
  - a. **DESSAGE:** None
  - b. **DRIVING:** For Driven Dressage times for the fair. Everyone has to contact Bobbi Newland or Brenda Lewis to get there driven dressage times. They are flexible, it will be Monday of the fair from 9-4 with a lunch from 12-1pm.
    - i. Brenda brought up one of the 4-H driving kids that has been having trouble getting her mini ready for fair, that the pony was not ready by August 1<sup>st</sup>. But now the pony is ready, Brenda Lewis, Bobbi Newland were asking the board pending them going to see the mini drive personally, if the mini could be allowed to take the mini in driving classes at the fair. Pending that they find that the child and mini are safe to drive at the fair. A motion was made by Norma Switalski and second by Scott Miracle, for Brenda and Bobbi to do this. Motion carried.

- ii. Brenda Lewis commented on the State Mini Horse Show saying it went Awesome!!!!!!! Our county had the 4 mini in the championship drive for reinsmanship. She said she couldn't have been happier.
  - c. **GYMKHANA:** Last workout Thursday August 27<sup>th</sup>, which is just a fun workout before fair, at the fairgrounds.
  - d. **JUMPING:** None
  - e. **CLOVERBUD:** Pam Cook, said there will be 15 CloverBuds participating at the fair. They will only be able to go into one lead line demonstration class not two.
  - f. **REINING:** None
  - g. **HORSEBOWL/HORSE JUDGING:** None
  - h. **COMPETATIVE TRAIL:** Tereasa Hufstedler, said 8 finished the final trail ride, but they will be getting the written test at the mandatory meeting Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> at the fair.
- 15) **POINT COMMITTEE:** Comment was made that they are working on a date to get together.
- 16) **SPORTSMAN COMMITTEE:** Norma Switalski said that there were 17 sportsman and 14 interviews. She also commented that the Judge was impressed with how the children implicated how much 4-H had an influence on their life. The Judge has made a decision and Eva has it in a sealed envelope and that it will not be opened until a week before the fair. Then the winner will be announced at the meeting Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> at the meeting.  
Norma also brought up about there being a reserve champion sportsman. The subject was discussed and about getting a trophy for this. Tereasa Hufstedler made a motion to do this, and Vicki Sutton 2<sup>nd</sup> it. Motion carried.
- 17) **STALL COMMITTEE:** All of the clubs had someone at the committee meeting, besides Stirrup Fun. There are 96 members showing at the fair, and a total of 155 horses being show. For the horse to fill a stall at the fair the horse must be signed up by a 4-H member and have a coggins test. Town & Country has barn 16 which has 32 stalls and they have 20 members to fill those stalls, Tumbleweed has barn 17 with 33 stalls and they have 26 members to fill them. Desperados, Stirrup Fun, and Buckaroos have barn 18, together they have 26 members to fill 32 stalls. Sauwauseebee and Trail Blazers have barn 19 with a total of 27 members to fill 32 stalls. All clubs were asked to try and make the stalls look full, by using some for the CloverBud displays, tack stalls etc. Also the only animals to be in the open class barns are the ones signed class.
- 18) **AWARDS COMMITTEE:** The 10, 11, and 12 year awards for 4-H due Friday August 28<sup>th</sup> to Connie Miracle.
- 19) **GYMKHANA FUNDRAISER SHOW UPDATE:** Shirel Hart said the weather was a little crazy, but all in all everyone had a good time. But if there is going to be a show next year that there has to be more help, please!!!!!! The show was a success with a net profit of \$1357.50. With donations of \$525.00 and show income of \$2142.00 with expenses of \$1309.50. Jude \$275.00 and Payback of \$1034.50.
- 20) **FAIR BARN:** Barn spraying is September 8<sup>th</sup> and no one can be in the barns for 48hrs after.
- 21) **SIGN UP SHEETS FOR FAIR:** Going around the room, every club needs to sign up for volunteer times.
- 22) **LEADERS:** Please make sure kids are riding safely. Boots, helmets, and bridles must be worn while exercising horses, at all times. No riding in halters!!!!!!
- 23) **RIBBONS:** Must be picked up by the end of the show day except Trail and Reining which will be posted at the announcer's booth, outside where the patterns are posted.
- 24) **COSTUME CLASS:** Will be Wednesday September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6p.m. It may be held in The Margie Teen Arena. His depends on if either of the other arenas are open at the time.
- 25) **SIGN UP SHEETS:** All are done and ready for the kids to go over September 1<sup>st</sup> from 6-7:30 and September 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-7p.m. are the only times for any corrections.
- 26) **OLD BUSINESS:** Shirel Hart ask Diane Zinsmaster about the rules at the fair. If she had, had time to see about correcting them. Diane commented that no she had not and will have to look into it after fair, that there is just too much going on right now.
- 27) **NEW BUSINESS:** Shirel Hart has leftover coupons for running hard products from the fundraiser show, she wants to know what should be done to use them. They all have been paid for so they should go to someone. She suggested giving some to each club and letting them give them to club members that did extra things to help during the week of the fair.
- 28) **EVA'S UPDATES:** None
- 29) **ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Brenda Lewis, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shirel Hart motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Cindy Sigman, Secretary

**NEXT MEETING DATE: TUESDAY, October 6, 2015 @ 6:30P.M.**