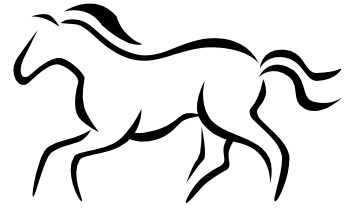




St. Joseph County, MI
4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 4, 2016

President: Diane Zinsmaster (Desperados)
Vice President: Pam Cook (TW)
Treasurer: Tereasa Hufstedler (Absent)

Secretary: Peggy Geruszka (Absent- T&C)
Deputy Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)
4-H Office: Eva Beeker

Buckaroos: Tereasa Hufstedler, **Desperados:** Not Present, **Town & Country:** Not Present, **Tumbleweeds:** Norma Switalski, Andrea Littlefield, **Sauwauseebee:** Not Present, **Trail Blazers:** Not Present, **Stir-Up Fun:** Not Present

Specialty Areas: **Driving:** Bobbi Jo Newland, Danielle Sackrider, Cassie Lewis, **Gymkhana:** Not Present, **Competitive Trail:** Not Present, **Dressage:** Not Present. **Jumping:** Not Present, **Reining:** Not Present, **Cloverbuds:** Not Present

Guests: Chuck Zinsmaster

1. Call Meeting to Order: 6:36pm. HC President Diane Zinsmaster called mtg to order.
2. Pledges: 4-H Pledge and Pledge of Allegiance were recited.
3. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve by Andrea Littlefield, Second by Bobbi Jo Newland. Motion carried.
4. Approval of August 31st HC Meeting Minutes: Andrea Littlefield moved to table approval of minutes until minutes were corrected and amended accordingly. Second by Cassie Lewis. Motion Carried.
5. Secretary's Report: Diane read correspondence received. Thank you notes to HC from the following: Kali Reeg and Mariah Schlabach.
 - Letter from Kathy Schmick-Beech informing HC that 2016 Fair was the last fair for the Schmick Award. An appropriate correspondence Thank-You will be sent Thanking Schmick donor for their years of support to the 4-H horse program.
 - Letter from Diane Zinsmaster read to HC members present re: several incidents that occurred during fair week.
 - 4-H tack sale at Hamilton MS on Saturday Feb 25, 2017. Vendor Space available.
6. Treasurer's Report: Tereasa Hufstedler was not present to give a detailed report. Monthly statement from the bank as of 8/31/2016 was reported. Balance as of 8/31/16: \$8,509.03. There are pending checks written to cover expenses for the month of September.
 - Courtney Copy of Schneiders Bill (\$119.88) for Pleasure High Point Awards was received- Donor was Island Hills Golf. Thank-you to be written.
 - Received a matching gift of \$200.00 from Pfizer. Thank you Bobbi Jo Newland and her husband for arranging this donation. Correspondence Thank You needs to be sent.

- September Bills Reported: Outstanding bill for the Trophy House of \$57.00 for Six 10 year Plaques and for remainder trophy balance of \$911.00. Total due to Trophy House: \$968.00
 - Motion to approve payment to Trophy House by Bobbi Jo Newland, Second by Andrea Littlefield. Motion Carried.
7. Public Comment: None
8. Leader Comment: Thanks to Pam Cook and Diane Zinsmaster for being present and helpful during fair week and for all their hard work.
9. Board Comment: Discussion about not having an October meeting due to low attendance. Discussion tabled until November meeting. Thank-You from Diane Zinsmaster to all leaders and volunteers for making this year's fair a success.
10. Discussion Topics/ Food For Thought:
- Points Committee update: many hours spent counting points prior to, during and after fair week- more than 30 hours per committee member time. Need for revision needed.
 - Need to discuss/alter rule about no horse changes on days of shows (no letter changes).
 - There is a need to relook at current awards offered and necessity, reducing # available.
 - Move/Change Gymkhana Show- due to points, etc
 - look at showbills and # of participants.
 - Should we have a end of year banquet for horse awards and move from the last Sat of fair.
11. Fair Judges- positive comments made and received – need parking permits to park in trailer parking for next fair.
12. Trailer Parking- Great job and went well.
13. Eva's Updates: HC needs to inventory all items owned by HC and give the list to Eva ASAP. State is requiring a list of all items at the fairgrounds and 4-H office that are owned by HC.
14. Adjournment: Motion by Cassie Lewis, Second by Bobbi Jo Newland

Next Meeting: November 1, 2016 @ 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Danielle Sackrider