



# ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting  
October 5, 2015  
Courthouse Annex II  
MSU Extension Office  
Centreville, Michigan 49032

President: Virginia Trattles  
Vice President: Scott Miracle  
Secretary: Denise Skrzypek  
Treasurer: Dixie Strawser  
Deputy Treasurer: Jenny Bower  
Media: Debbie Davis

**Members Present:** Cody Baker, Jenny Bower, Debbie Davis, Erika Eggleston, Angie King, Jared King, Loren King, Scott Miracle, Connie Myers, Denise Skrzypek, Dixie Strawser, Virginia Trattles, Wendy Walters, Barb Weston

**Members Excused:** Doug Hasbrouck, Craig Ulsh

**Guest:** Tony Hochstetler

- I. Call to Order:
  - President, Virginia Trattles called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Pledges were led by Jared King.
- II. Public Comment:
  - None.
- III. Additions to the Agenda:
  - None.
- IV. Minutes from Previous Meeting - Denise Skrzypek, Secretary – August 31, 2015:
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- V. Correspondence Received:
  - None.
- VI. Treasurer's Report – Dixie Strawser, Treasurer
  - A. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust checking account as of October 5, 2015: \$43,960.20
  - B. Bills needing review/approval:
    1. Otten Trophy – Final bill for 2015: \$450.50
    2. Virginia Trattles – 2015 Fair Judges Lunch: \$262.50
    3. St. Joseph County Fair – Kubota Permit: \$25.00
    4. Bofa – t-shirts: \$120.00
    5. Green Drapes Dry Cleaners/rental: \$390.00
    6. Signs: \$34.83
    7. Otten Trophy – bench plaque and name badge: \$16.45
    8. Keys: \$148.10
    9. Sturgis Press – 5K Flyers: \$403.02
    10. Sturgis Press – 5K Posters: \$45.30
  - C. A motion was made by Angie King, seconded by Connie Myers, to accept financial report and pay bills. Motion carried.
- VII. Officer/Committee Report
  - A. *Horse Council Report:* Scott Miracle - 155 entries to the fair, all went well at the fair this year.
  - B. *Fundraisers:*
    1. Milk Barn – Scott Miracle: All went well this year at the fair.
      - a. Orders increase every year.
      - b. Ice sales went well
      - c. Yogurt wasn't a big success but was new item.
      - d. Debbie D. made a motion to have Angie King repair and clean the cow costume with allowance up to \$50.00, and to spend \$125.00 on new costume for 2016 fair. Cody B. 2nd motion. Motion carried. Scott M. will look at purchasing the new costumes.

2. 5K - 4-H Pumpkin Run (October 17, 2015): Denise Skrzypek – We're ready, trail set, signs, decorations, food. Everybody's help is needed.
  3. Fundraiser Committee Meeting Date: Monday, November 2 at 5:45 p.m. - For everyone to attend!!! It takes everyone on the board to work as a team to make it successful.
  4. Schwan's Care - ends 11/2015, \$1,316.00 earnings. Debbie made a motion to continue this fundraiser, Barb Weston seconded. Motion passed.
  5. Gordon Foods "Fun Funds" - is no longer available for 4-H.
- C. 4-H Youth Development Report
1. Enrollment Update - Starting now for online enrollment. If you are already a 4-H member, you only need to update your information. Please update your email address for verification to receive all emails and Blasts for 4-H clubs.
  2. Leader Meetings - Schedule will be available at next meeting.
  3. Thank you to all for a successful fair this year.

VIII. Old Business

- A. Awards Banquet (November 10, 2015)
1. All Youth Council members need to be there at 4:30 p.m. to set up and must stay for clean-up.
  2. Job assignments: Eva has list of duties.
  3. Entertainment: Suggestions were made, Eva is checking into this.
  4. Theme: "To be Thankful"
  5. Decorating committee: Wendy W., Barb W, and Denise S. - 30 tables are needed.
  6. Door Prizes: Wendy, Barb & Denise will take care of prizes.
  7. A motion was passed to read the list of Donors at Banquet with Dixie and Debbie reading.
- B. Table Update: All brown tables were sold during the fair at \$19.50 each at 27 tables with a total profit of \$500.00. This money will be spent at Menards to purchase all new white tables.
- C. Clover Chocolates: A motion was placed by Debbie to order 300 chocolate clovers for banquet, seconded by Barb. Motion passed. Will order 200 Milk Chocolate and 100 Dark Chocolate.

IX. New Business

- A. County Awards - Jenny placed a motion to have all county award letters be mailed out to members instead of emailing them, Loren K. seconded. Motion passed.
- Selection Committee Meeting Date: Monday, November 2 after the meeting. Virginia, Debbie, Wendy, and Connie are on committee.
- B. Youth Council Nomination Committee Meeting date is October 21, at 5:30 p.m. Dixie, Wendy, Debbie and Angie are on committee.
- C. Fair concerns: Discussions on still projects to use at next year Silent Auction, placement of trophies to members that deserve it or were assigned to the project.
- D. 4-H Camp committee Meeting Date: Monday, October 19, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.
- E. TSC Clover Sale (October 7-18): See Connie Pagels to help with this. Connie has gone above and beyond over the Clover Sale - we need members and clubs to participate.

X. Adjournment:

- Motion made to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Denise Skrzypek, Secretary

**Next Meeting: November 2, 2015, 6:30 p.m., MSU Extension office  
with 3 meetings prior to starting at 5:15 p.m.**