

Gladwin County 4-H Horse Project Association Minutes

Thursday, February 11, 2016

Meeting started at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Melissa Maxwell; Andie & Jeremy Fisher, Lily Persky, Joey Persky (Beaverton Buckaroos); Jill Nartker, Amy Grice (Hoof Beats); Denise Shears (EUTS); Lisa Schwager (Getting Down on the Farm); Kim Bruner (Country Blend); Julie Jines (Krafty Kids); Jessica Hufford (MSU Extension Office)

Secretary's report – Minutes from January 2016 were presented. Andie made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Melissa supported. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report – \$1,659.54 in checking account; \$1,233.87 in savings. Andie made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Jeremy supported. Motion carried.

MSU Report:

 Tubing next weekend at Snow Snake. Still time to get the paperwork and go.

 Build your Future workshops start this coming Monday, January 15, 2016, 6:30 – 8:30 and running for 3 weeks.

 Teens as Teachers workshop at the Kettenun Center to learn how to present a session on agriculture, working on communication skills.

 Training on officer roles and parliamentary procedures; February 25, 6 – 8:30 pm at the MSU Extension office. This is for adults only at this point, one for the teens to come in the future.

Old business:

 Insurance – Fred was not at the meeting so we have no information on this. He wants the shows to only be open to 4h members, as they are insured but adults aren't. Melissa talked to Dwayne Simpkins at Farm Bureau – getting 2 quotes – 1 for a special event; 1 for general liability. She also contacted Equine Sport Agency, which is just for horse shows. She has to complete an application, premiums are \$350 for \$300,000; \$450 for \$500,000, and \$550 for a million dollars. This is a one-time price for all events and it is capped at that price. All of our horse shows are on hold until this can be figured out.

 Fair – Afton Ruhle will not be able to judge on Monday, so Melissa has gotten Karen Waite to judge that day.

 Adam and Melissa were discussing how hot it was up in the announcer's booth and Melissa's boss bought a window air conditioner at Adam Breault's auction for \$5 and donated it to the Horse Association to put in the window.

 Awards – thank you cards – only know of 1 member that did not send their thank you to their trophy sponsors – Brooke Pepper.

 Twilight shows/speed shows – These will be on hold until we can get the insurance information figured out.

 Other – Kim couldn't get pictures to open so we will try to do it another way.

New business:

Shot clinic – Jill Nartker emailed Dr. Imlay's office and they will come out to do the shot clinic again this year. It will be held on March 26th; more info to come. Kim Bruner will see if the chiropractor will come out as well.

Rules and Guidelines that were revised on October 8, 21015 – exhibitors must be enrolled in an organized 4H Horse Club in Gladwin County, either their primary or secondary club, and must attend no less than six (6) meetings during the membership year or they will not be able to show at the Gladwin County Fair. Next by-law revision will be changed to include the wording “**6 HORSE CLUB meetings**”.

Melissa will also have a shot clinic with a dentist on a date to be announced later.

Andie made a motion to adjourn; Melissa supported. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next meeting: March 10, 2016 at 7 p.m. at MSU Extension office.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Shears, Secretary