



St. Joseph County 4-H Horse Council
January 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes

- President: Jo Torrey
- Vice President: Racheal Hartman
- Secretary: Julie Bruce
- Treasurer: Joy Bond
- Deputy Treasurer: Katie Staples
- At Large: Tereasa Hufstedler (Dressage), Driving
- Constitution and Rules Committee ~ Joy (Chair) Julie, Shirel, Tereasa
- Awards ~ Mindy (Chair), Sidney, Jolene, Katie, Payton, Katlyn, Julie, Jo
- Fundraising Committee: Cindy, Katie, Jolene, Jane and Katlyn
- Judge Hiring ~ Joy (Pleasure), Bobbi (Driving day), Tereasa (Comp Trail & dressage)
- Point Counting ~ Gymkhana, Shirel, Dawne and Karen Fleetwood. Pleasure ~ Danielle, Cindy, Teresa and Connie
- Pattern Committee ~ Joy, Tereasa, Andrea and Rachael
- Budget ~ Executive Board

Attendance: Jo Torrey, Baylee Yeomans, Shirel Hart, Dakota Yeomans, Tereasa Hufstedler, Joy Bond, Kayla Mitchell, Cindy Mingus, Teresa Howk, Jane Goodman, Katie Staples, Kacey Jennings, Cora Goodman, Julie Bruce, Rachel Hartman Zoom: Lori Bowdish, Shajnett Huffman, Sara Franklin, Katlyn McCullough, Mindy Stuart

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30
2. Pledges
3. Introduction of leaders and youth
4. Approval of Agenda with date change. ~ Motion by Tereasa . Second by Shirel. Motion Passes
5. December Minutes read by K. Mitchell. Corrections: #6 should be financial review instead of audit. #20 Mindy spelled incorrectly. #25 Jr Officers should be added by Constitution Changes. Motion by Tereasa to approve minutes with corrections. Second by Shajnett. Motion passes.
6. Treasurers Report. December 31 balance \$9398.95. \$.83 interest. Checks written for \$15 and \$53. Motion by Bailey and seconded by Dakota. Motion passes.
7. Add Joy Bond, Lindocka Jo Torrey, and Kathleen Staples to the bank account signature and online access. Motion to approve by Tereasa, Second by Shirel. Motion passed.
8. Per our constitution, Joy will do two yearly budget reviews. One will be in May and the second will be in October.

OLD BUSINESS\

1. Club feedback ~ Tabled
2. Ranch classes ~ Tabled

3. Costume class ~ Tabled
4. Horseman's classes. Shirel is the president and Cory Hartman is VP. They will be voting soon regarding prizes for first place. Tabled
5. Judge Hiring Committee ~ Jennifer Kiser will be the Sunday pleasure judge. Suggestion to use a judging team to judge trail. Joy is working on the additional pleasure judges.
6. Workout dates ~ Please give all dates to Julie Bruce to put into a Google Doc.
7. Teresa Howk would like to invite any youth to do demo and public speaking at clinics at her home before workouts.
8. Awards (Mindy) Putting together dates for a meeting. She would like to make a change to English High Point Award.
9. Point Counting ~ Add Tereasa
10. Fundraising Committee ~ Add Jane and Katlyn. Silent Auction is May 3rd at the fairgrounds. Joy will look into an online auction. Kayla: Payment cannot be online per MSU but can be paid in person. Jo: Talked to Westins and their suggestions include setting a goal as donors enjoy the updates, have a variety of budgets for bidders, contact WBET to advertise, having youth do promotions and getting donations. Michiana Feed is willing to donate. Katlyn has offered to help with online donations. Cindy has spoken to Walmart but it must be done online.
11. Pattern Committee ~ Discussion was had regarding patterns. Patterns need to be hard enough to stretch the kids abilities but not intimidate the beginners.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Gymkhana group would like to change the fair show to a day other than Saturday. Suggestions: 1. Shorten the show by using both arenas. 2. Changing the western classes on Sunday to showmanship, pattern classes and then gymkhana. 3. Trading Wednesday with open class. Some concerns were putting too many classes on one day as our horses are older, there are kids sharing horses and kids are showing other species. Kayla will talk to the fair about swapping Wednesday and Saturday.

KAYLA'S CORNER ~

1. KWings Fundraiser Jan 25 at 7pm. Tickets are \$15. Chuck a Puck are also available for \$10. See the office or a youth council member
2. Livestock Association is working on a new route map for fair unloading.
3. Charity's last day is this Friday. Best of luck to her on her new career!
4. Tonya will be helping with 4-H until March 1st. Then she will be full time Parks.
5. Kayla will need help during the changes
6. County Awards are out. There will be an ice cream social awards night on March 13. Mark of Excellence is for 10-11 year olds. There is something for all ages. County awards due on January 24.
7. Camp Counselor info is out. June 9-11 is camp. 8-11 years for campers. 13-15 for counselors in training. 16-19 for counselors. There will be a three hour cloverbud camp during training on May 10. Counselor training is May 9 and 10. Feb 14 applications are due for counselors.

8. Exploration Days June 18-20 for 12-19 year olds.

Meeting Adjourned 8:37. Motion by Tereasa. Second by Shirel. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Bruce