



# ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 3, 2025  
MSU Extension Office

President: Craig Ulsh  
Vice-President: Sara Trattles  
Secretary: Holly Smith  
Junior Secretary: Aubree Kruger  
Treasurer: Tarina Jansen  
Junior Treasurer: HallieAnn Holtz  
Deputy Treasurer: Amy Propst  
Media: Emily Redmond  
Junior Media: Charlee Kyle

1. Called meeting to order Sara Trattles, Vice-President, @ 6:33 pm
2. Pledges – Lead by Addison Smith
3. Members Present – Sara Trattles, Tarina Jansen, Holly Smith, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Scott Mircle, Amy Propst, Nancy Mangus, Emily Redmond, Billy Kruger, Charlee Kyle, Addison Smith. Also, present Kayla Mitchell 4-H Program Coordinator.  
Members Absent - Layna Cardella, Craig Ulsh, Kayla Ireland, Aubree Kruger, HallieAnn Holtz, Ava Sowards-Haack
4. Public Comment – Diane Zinsmaster spoke to us regarding Fair Bord elections and let us know she is running for a seat on the Board.
5. Additions to the agenda/Approved Agenda - #13c Red Power Round Up, #13d 4-H Camp #13e County Awards  
Billy motioned to accept the additions and agenda, Holly seconded, Motion carried.
6. Minutes from August 25, 2025 (submitted by Holly Smith - Secretary) Billy made a motion to approve the minutes with two edits, Charlee seconded, Motion carried.
7. Correspondence received – There were no correspondence
8. Financial Report – Tarina Jansen, Treasure
  - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust Checking account \$33,132.89 on 08/31/2025
  - b. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust Checking account \$39,149.94 on 09/30/2025  
Julie made a motion to put financial Report on file, Connie seconded, Motion carried
9. Bills needing approval/review – Nothing added
10. Officer/Committee Report
  - a. Milk Barn
    1. Shut for Winter Saturday November 08, 2025 @ 1:00
  - b. Percious Moments removed from agenda
  - c. Flow-Blue China Collection-Collect in Fall 2025
  - d. Plat Books-Leave for Kayla
  - e. K-Wings-Sunday January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 3:00 \$15.00 each
11. 4-H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell
  - a. Horse Council/Livestock Association Updates
    1. They did not get their Placing Book turned in quickly
    2. Elections 11/04/2025
    3. They may be allowing Youth on their Council
  - b. Fair Updates

1. There are four Board Positions that will need to be filled this year
2. Livestock checks should be out soon
3. Still Project Post fair meeting Wednesday November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 6:00 Extension Office
4. Livestock Post fair meeting Thursday November 13th, 2025, ISD @6:30. This is an all-species meeting and there will be break out meetings. If voting is needed at any of these meetings, it will happen at a later date.
- c. Benches – will be taken care of on Saturday November 08, 2025 @ 1:00 (Waltke Pavilion)
- d. Enrollment – Existing Members December 1, 2025
  1. Club Members 146
  2. Cloverbuds 31
  3. Volunteers 56

12. Old Business

- a. Media Opportunities
  1. Leader/Donor Recognition Banquet Tuesday November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 6:00 Centerville Elementary School.
  2. 4-H K-Wings Sunday January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 3:00
  3. Returning Leaders & Members sign up ends December 1, 2025.
  4. County Awards Sunday March 15, 2027 @ 2:00
  5. New Leaders & Members have until May 1, 2026 to sign up
- b. Leader/Donor Recognition Banquet (11/18/2025 @ 6:00)
  1. Youth Positions
    - a. Master/Mistress of Ceremonies HallieAnn & Grace
    - b. Observance Addison Smith
    - c. Performance being worked on
  2. Decorations from Berrian County we do not need
- c. YC Nominations and Committee date
  1. Self-Nomination Forms are due back Friday November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025
- d. Constitution and By-Laws
  1. Some changes were drafted
  2. Sending current Constitution and By-Laws and proposed edits to Campus to look over
  3. Last revision was 2020

13. New Business

- a. YC apparel
  1. BOFA will provide us with an online
- b. December meeting Scott made a motion to move the meeting to Monday December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @6:30, seconded by Nancy motioned passed
- c. Red Power Round Up June 17-19, 2027
  1. 2026 Fair barns have to be cleaned outBilly made a motion to use the Milk Barn as a place we can do fundraising, seconded by Charlee, motion carried
- d. 4-H Camp will be June 8-10 2026
- e. County Awards will be Sunday March 15, 2026 @ 2:00
  1. There was discussion about what age to use for these awardsHolly made a motion to use current 4-H age, seconded by Addison, motion carries

14. Adjournment – Motion by Holly, seconded by Julie motion carried adjourned @ 8:08 pm

Respectfully submitted by Holly Smith

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

**REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 8, 2025 @6:30**