



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Minutes
June 1, 2026
MSU Extension Office

President: Craig Ulsh
Vice-President: Billy Kruger
Secretary: Holly Smith
Junior Secretary: Katelyn Trattles
Treasurer: Sara Trattles
Junior Treasurer: Addison Smith
Deputy Treasurer: Amy Propst
Media: Emily Redmond
Junior Media: Aubree Kruger

1. Called meeting to order Craig Ulsh, President, @ 6:33 pm
2. Pledges – Lead by Craig Ulsh
3. Members Present. Sara Trattles, Holly Smith, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Julie Carpenter, Scott Miracle, Amy Propst, Aubree Kruger, Emily Redmond, Billy Kruger, Addison Smith, Rick Gould, Gabbie McCollough, Katelyn Trattles, Claire Propst. Also, present Kayla Mitchell 4-H Program Coordinator.

Members Absent Excused - Tarina Jansen

4. Public Comment
 - a. Regina Schinker incoming SJC Fair Manager talked about Freedom Rings in the Ville Saturday June 27 from 12:00-8:00.
 - b. Scholarship Review-Nothing to review. 4-H Camp in not included
5. Additions to the agenda/Approved Agenda – There are no additions Sara made motioned to accept the agenda, Holly seconded, Motion carried.
6. Minutes from May 4, 2026 Julie Carpenter was omitted as members present at the May 4, 2026 meeting, Sara made a motion to edit the minutes, Gabbie seconded, Motion carried.
7. Correspondence received
 - a. Scholarships-Nothing for June
 - b. Correspondences-Nothing for June
8. Financial Report – Sara Trattles Treasurer
 - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust
 1. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust Checking account \$45,074.31 04/30/2026
 2. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust Savings account \$25,373.72 03/31/2026
 3. Oakleaf Money market-QuarterlyHolly made a motion to put financial Report on file, Connie seconded, Motion carried.
9. Bills needing approval/review
 - a. Fair Books \$587.00
 - b. MSU Expo Days \$2,645.00Holly made a motion to pay bills, Connie seconded, Motion carried.



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10. Officer/Committee Report

- a. Fundraising
 - 1. Flow-Blue
 - a. Greg Blucker (Local Auctioneer) feels we may struggle with the Flow-Blue because the value is down.
 - 2. Milk Barn
 - a. Window
 - b. Clean Up
 - b. Check on handouts for kids
 - 3. Culvers
 - a. Sign-up sheet
 - b. 1 hour shifts ± 4 people per
 - c. Monday June 15, 2026 5:00-8:00
 - 4. 38th Annual Red Power Round Up June 17-19, 2027 Centreville Michigan
 - a. We as a group will come up with some kids of fundraiser
 - 5. Chuck-A-Puck
 - a. Billy will reach out to Kwings for dates and information

11. 4-H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell

- a. Horse Council Update/Livestock Association Update
 - 1. Horse Council
 - a. No updates
 - 2. Livestock Association
 - a. No updates
- b. Fair Updates
 - 1. Enrollment Updates
 - a. Cloverbud 108
 - b. Youth 539
 - 2. Tagging Dates
 - a. Rabbit Tattooing August 19 10:00-1:00 or August 12 5:00-7:00
 - b. Rabbit Pen weight min 10 lbs max 20 lbs
 - 3. Fair Board News-Nothing at this time
 - 4. Hunter Safety
 - a. May 28, 29 & 30
 - b. 30 youth attended
- c. 4-H Camp
 - 1. 4-H Camp June 8-June 10 Amigo Center Sturgis
 - 2. 61 Youth & 14 Counselors

12. Old Business

- a. Media Opportunities
 - 1. 2026 Youth Council Scholarship Winners
 - 2. Dairy Feeders, Beef Feeder, Goats & Sheep tagging
 - 3. 4-H Camp June 8 to June 10, 2026 Amigo Center Sturgis
 - 4. Culver's Fundraiser June 15, 2026 5:00-8:00 Sturgis
 - 5. Exploration Days June 24 to June 26, 2026
 - 6. Freedom Rings in the Ville Saturday June 27 from 12:00-8:00.



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- b. Treasurer Outside Resources-Will stay as is for now
- c. YC Apparel Holly will reach out to BOFA
- d. 2026 Youth Council Scholarship Winners were announced
- e. Kayla talked to Centreville School, tables and chairs are available. There is a date of Thursday November 12, 2026 @ 6:00 pm.
- f. Trophy Design/Colors
 - 1. The youth present picked trophy design & colors
- g. Banners
 - 1. Katelyn made a motion that all 10, 11 & 12 year members will get a banner, Billy seconded, motion carried.

13. New Business

- a. Livestock Judging
 - 1. Angie King donated items for Live Stock Judging
- b. 4-H Fair Dance
 - 1. Grace Sturgill
- c. Honor Court
 - 1. Grace Sturgill
- d. Scavenger Hunt

14. Adjournment – Motion by Sara seconded by Holly motion carried adjourned @ 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted by Holly Smith, Secretary

NEXT MEETING DATES:

AWARD BANQUET COMMITTEE JULY 6, 2026 @6:00

REGULAR MEETING JULY 6, 2026 @6:30