



ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
October 30, 2023
MSU Extension Office

President: Sara Trattles
Vice-President: Craig Ulsh
Secretary: Kayla Irelan
Treasurer: Tarina Jansen
Deputy Treasurer: Kelsey Kulpinski
Media: Julie Carpenter

1. Call the meeting to order – Sara Trattles, President, at 6:31 pm
2. Pledges – Everyone present
3. Members Present – Sara Trattles, Ed Klein, Craig Ulsh, Connie Myers, Scott Miracle, Julie Bruce, Nancy Mangus, Sydney Kirby, Kayla Irelan, Ella Yunker, Grace Sturgill
 - a. Not Present – Clay Decker, Tarina Jansen, Kelsey Kulpinski, Sarah Jane Carpenter, Julie Carpenter, Megan Jackson
4. Public Comment – None
5. Additions to Agenda/Approval of Agenda – (12D) Still Project Drapes
6. Minutes from previous meeting (10/2/2023), Kayla Irelan, Secretary – Craig motions approval, Scott seconds. Motion passes.
7. Correspondence Received – Kayla I. read letter received from United Way for a request for attendance to a mandatory yearly meeting to continue receiving monetary funds from the program. Craig states he will already be at meeting and will represent Youth Council.
8. Financial Report – Tarina Jansen, Treasurer
 - a. Balance in Sturgis Bank & Trust checking as of 9/1/23 - \$46,651.35
 - i. Started with \$47,409.50 adding \$22,970.69 in revenue from milk barn and donations equaling \$70,380.19
 - ii. After \$23,728.84 in expenses from \$70,380.19 (Milk barn start up cash and pre fair payment, Miller Sign, Crown Trophy, USPS, Louder Than Words, Gracelyn Sturgill, and Sara Trattles) leave the month end balance at \$46,651.35
9. Bills Needing Approval/Review – Craig motions approval, Connie seconds. Motion passed.
 - a. Postage at courthouse (1/23 to present) - \$299.25
 - b. 2023 Donor Passes to Livestock Association - \$956.00
 - c. Crown Trophy - \$197.29 and \$31.55
 - d. Penny Saver for pictures in paper of 4-H youth - \$900.00
 - e. Fair Association for Ice - \$980.00
 - Need to invoice 14 bags of ice to Livestock Association for Auction Day during fair
 - f. Louder Than Words for Banner - \$25.00
 - g. County Images for clock - \$80.00 (previously voted and approved)

10. Officer/Committee Report –

- a. Fundraising-
 - i. Milk Barn – 2023 Report – Current revenue is \$25,816.43
Expenses are \$14,094.24
Profit of \$11,722.19 (still finalizing numbers)
 - ii. Flow Blue Auction – No update
 - iii. Chuck A Puck – Keep advertising for February 3, 2024. Scott will pick up tickets tomorrow. Need volunteers to sell pucks at game.
- b. Parks/Fairgrounds – New signage/improvements for 2024 – New clovers signs for barn 43 & 44, light up sign needs updated outside show arena, possibly paint milk barn?
- c. Nominations Committee Report –

11. 4-H Development Report – Kayla Mitchell

- a. Horse Council Update – Elected new officers, some fair feedback to discuss and post fair meetings
- b. Livestock Association Update – post fair meeting dates set, still project post fair meeting is 11/8/23 @ 6pm,
- c. Enrollments now open – Deadline for previous 4-H members (youth and adult) is 12/1/23, new 4-H members is 5/1/23
- d. Fair board has requested a report on financials and fundraising efforts from youth council

12. Old Business –

- a. Recognition Dinner – November 2, 2023; assigned banquet responsibilities among youth council members attending
- b. Media anything to post/promote – Chuck a puck, enrollment, banquet reminder
- c. Still Project Auction Report - \$1,136.00 total sales
- d. Still Project Drapes - Marsha Shellhammer offered to finish drapes that need altered or replaced at \$15/hr with estimation of 2 hours per drape and 8 drapes known needing fixed to start.

13. New Business-

- a. Jim Gushwa Memorial - \$115.00 donation received so far, will look into cost with previous company youth council ordered from

14. New Ideas – None

15. Adjournment – Craig motion, Scott seconds @ 8:13 pm. Motion passes.

Next Meeting on December 4, 2023 @6:30 pm