

ALLEGAN COUNTY 4-H HORSE LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

AGENDA

Zoom, February 7th, 2022 7pm.

I. PLEDGES & WELCOME

Additions to the agenda and welcoming of guest

Meeting called to order at 7:24PM

II. Secretary Report, Roll Call & Correspondence

Globe Trotters, Purple Vision, Rabbit River Riders, Watson Wranglers

Resource: Paul Balgoyen, Nora Balgoyen-Williams, Vicki Swainston (absent), Angie Perry (absent)

Last months minutes approved by Kim, seconded by Mandi

All clubs cannot miss 3 consecutive meetings, Secretary to keep track of who hasn't been to 3 consecutive meetings and will be notified by President. Club will be contacted by President and will be considered inactive: Club members will be contacted by office.

III. Treasurer Report

- a. Horse Leaders Account – Vicki will get these numbers as soon as she is able
- b. 5 Day Clinic Account -

IV. Committee Reports

- a. Show Committee – updating and making some changes to last years show bills, next meeting will be March 7th at 6:00PM before the Horse Leaders meeting at 7:00PM
 - i. Karin Wood Memorial Fuzzy Show – May 1st – causal show, going back to previous show bill, done making changes to bill, Nora will update
 - ii. County Wide Trail Ride-A-Thon – May 21 – walk-only trail groupwide, sign up for a site on your own
 - iii. Horsemaster/Beth Wykstra Memorial – June 11-12 (11th Pleasure, 12th Speed) – going to change this where Saturday is a 'learning clinic' day and Sunday is the 'show day' – bill still in the works since there are big changes
 - iv. 5-Day Clinic – July 22 – 27
 - v. State Horse Show at MSU – August 19
 - vi. Speed Series – June 23, July 21, August 25
 - vii. Nora will work on a sign-up form for show help, not assigning clubs this year since we have some small clubs, talked about doing a \$25 incentive for 4 hours working as a ring steward since this is one of the harder positions to fill, can be for club members or parents to earn incentives to use at other 4H horse events, Mandi will work on creating a spreadsheet for tracking incentives
- b. 5-Day Clinic – July 22 – 27 – meeting in person on the 9th the work on drafting a schedule

- c. Horsemaster – Rachel says to expect Level 2 and 3 this week, Level 4 and 5 should be done by the end of the month, old books need to be turned in by March 1st
- d. Year End Award Banquet – February 5th at 5:30PM, Camp Kidwell – We had a really nice turn out with great prizes, Heather spoke of changing paperwork – horse notebooks, have HM level on file, extra points if you change HM levels in the year, separate riding hours – Heather draft it up to send out, bill for embroidery will be given to Vicki, we came out under budget, spent around \$1,200 - \$1,300 instead of the \$1,800 budget
- e. Teen Leader – Nora and Paul might try to squeeze in a February meeting, they want to hear from the Teen Leaders what they want out of the program, they will throw out dates to the group
- f. Sponsorships – Heather working with Jacksons for sponsors, Heather has a new postcard idea for Thank You's for fair, getting a price for plaques, Heather and Amy talking about changing the sponsorship form to make it easier to understand, seemed to have some confusion from sponsors on how to fill it out/put money in specific areas, hoping to email it out by March meeting

V. Unfinished Business

- a. Purchase of Emergency Equipment
 - i. Need a limit on how much to spend before ordering
 - ii. Heather found a nice emergency kit, Mandi made a motion to allow Heather to spend up to \$350 on a kit, Kim seconds the motion
- b. Horse judging – State competition March 27 – Heather has 7 members so far, meeting every Thursday until the end of March, Horse Judging 101 was purchased, meeting at a dance studio, joining up with FFA so 12 kids total so far

VI. New Business:

- a. Resource leaders – No attendance rule for resource leaders, Dian contacting several people that are on the list to see if they want to receive HL emails and maybe attend meetings, Nora will chat with Bonnie and Marla, Paul will contact all 5Day instructors to see if they want to be added to emails since they are automatically added to the resource leader list when they fill out forms for instructing at 5Day
- b. Planning for 2022
 - i. Saddle raffle – looking into the 'correct' term to use for MSU doesn't get funny with us (maybe sweepstakes or giveaway), HL talking about purchasing a saddle (Heather working with Jacksons for this), if you participate in a show you get a free raffle ticket added, you are able to purchase more tickets if desired, ticket will be pulled at the Year End Award Banquet to see who wins the saddle
 - ii. Cloverbud Clinic – combining with the 'clinic day' June 11th, figured this will be easier since we already have a lot of new changes happening this year
 - iii. Winter Learning Series for adults and kids – revisit for a future date since winter is nearing the end (yay!)
 - iv. County wide t-shirts for adults and kids – Heather created a sheet at the banquet for people to order shirts, people can order just the county wide horse program shirt or a horse judging shirt, or both

- v. Back numbers – talked about assigning back numbers along with the members 4H ID number to make it easier, (4 number most likely), Mandi is able to print the back numbers from home, Otsego Library potentially to laminate them for a good price, club leaders are responsible for getting the ID numbers to Mandi, talked about giving members 2 free back numbers and they can purchase more, Heather looking into what other organizations charge for this so we can price ours
- vi. CPR training – maybe we can do a training as a group for a discounted price, Heather was looking at getting an instructor, looking into how long the class is and what the cost would be, hopefully we could do this in April before show season picks up so we are all prepared
- vii. Council Auction in March CANCELLED for 2022 – planning on something bigger and better for 2023
- viii. Budget – need to discuss this at the March meeting since it was forgotten, also might have an executive meeting to go over duties and make changes if needed, Nora will forward the yearly To-Do list out so everyone can see
- ix. Extentionhorses.org – Heather threw this out and suggested we could look at it, it has a lot of great horse information on the page, maybe we could offer it to horse leaders (\$10 fee for programs like learning how to do different things with horses)

Kim made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35PM, Paul seconds the motion

Next Meeting March 7th