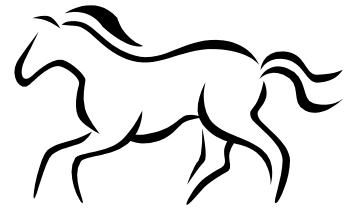




St. Joseph County, MI
4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2021

President: Shajnett Huffman

Secretary: Not Present

Vice President: Teresa Hufstedler (Comp Trail)

Deputy Treasurer: Bobbi Jo Newland (Driving)

Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)

4-H Office: Autumn Converse

Clubs & Specialty Areas: **Desperados:** Shajnett Huffman & Mindy Stuart **Town & Country:** Sarah Franklin & Connie Miracle
Tumbleweed: Pam Cook & Cindy Sigman **Cloverbud:** not present **Competitive Trail:** Teresa Hufstedler **Driving/In-Hand:** Bobbi Jo Newland & Danielle Sackrider **Gymkhana:** Shirel Hart & Teresa Howk

Guests: Mackenzie Mcmillan, Ally Barga

1. Call to Order: President called meeting to order at 6:31pm
2. Pledges
3. Additions to Agenda: None
4. Approval of Agenda: motioned to approve by Danielle Sackrider, 2nd by Teresa Hufstedler, all in favor motion passed
5. Introduction of Visitors
6. Public Comments: None
7. Approval of December 2021 HC Meeting minutes: motioned to approve by Danielle Sackrider, 2nd by Teresa Hufstedler, all in favor motion passed
8. Secretary report/correspondence received
 - a. Thank you note for Prairie Pony award from Kadence Jennett (could not attend meeting due to work)
 - i. Using the award money to purchase a show halter
 - ii. We will check with donor regarding having the award recipient send in a pre-recorded message or attend via zoom in the event they cannot physically attend a horse council meeting to present due to work or other unforeseen circumstances
9. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Beginning Balance: \$2798.41
 - b. Ending Balance: \$2806.36
 - c. Bills to be paid:
 - i. Ohana Shaved ice – Pam messaged Andrea to reach out to them for a Bill
 - ii. Kiwanis: Autumn checked with Tonya on Kiwanis Bill and was told we need to check with them directly
 - d. November Interest: \$.25
 - e. SMILES: \$7.70
 - f. Received check for \$18 for herdsmanship medium
 - i. Autumn is checking with Tonya to make sure this is to go to Town & Country
 - ii. Sara will keep an eye out for a check in mail for herdsmanship
 - g. Motioned to approve by Teresa Hufstedler, 2nd by Danielle Sackrider, all in favor motion passed
10. Trophies needing re-worked – Shajnett working with Joe Otten to get these completed
 - a. Teresa Hufstedler checking with Kadence Jennette on an English trophy for what needed fixed
 - b. We will take showmanship trophy back
11. Online Enrollment open
 - a. If any corrections are needed for an enrollment, wait for an approved status and then see if changes can be made.
 - b. If changes cannot be made at that time contact the Extension office
12. Fair Book Committee report – Teresa Hufstedler read minutes taken from committee meeting on 11/21/2021
 - a. Please see additional meeting minutes at the end of this document
 - b. Autumn would like to see age groups of 8-11, 12-14, 15-19 for all animals for Showmanship

- c. We are only county that doesn't have set ages across the board for 4H
 - d. Connie indicate the goal was of changing aged groups was also to reduce the # of classes to reduce trophies
 - e. Showmanship would need 3 age groups to align with Sweepstakes
 - f. Ally Barga read a letter written by Dawne Steele regarding adding Speed and Action back to our gymkhana classes and keeping Keyhole.
 - i. Dawne suggested adding a pay to protest where the protest has to be immediate and has a monetary value associated with making the complaint
 - ii. Ally has also done some researching and questioned many 4H youth with if they would prefer Speed and Action to down and back and reported that most youth want to keep speed and action
 - g. Thoughts to drop Walk Trot Reigning
 - i. we have lots of younger kids this may affect
 - h. Pam Cook motioned to add a 3 ages groups option to riding class proposal, 2nd Danielle Sackrider all in favor, motion passed
13. Form Rules/Constitution committee – review due March 2022
- a. Committee members: Shajnett Huffman, Teresa Hufstedler, Bobbi Jo Newland, Danielle Sackrider, Ally Barga, Mackenzie McMillan, Shirel Hart
14. Club meetings/workouts –
- a. We can start scheduling these according to Missy from Fairgrounds
 - i. Thursdays are iffy on availability
 - ii. We need dragging clarification
 - iii. We need agreements for ground rentals including this dragging clarification, bathroom and was availability
15. Cloverbud age is now officially lowered to 5 years of age
16. County Qualifier Shows - We need pleasure dates by January
- a. Danielle Sackrider motioned to have the Speed Fundraiser Committee, Pleasure Fundraiser Committee, and Driving Fundraiser Committee to also work on their respective county qualifier shows, 2nd Pam Cook, all in favor, motion passed
17. Fundraiser Shows
- a. Speed Fundraiser Committee
 - i. Setting up meeting date in future
 - b. Driving Fundraiser Committee
 - i. Setting up meeting date
 - c. Pleasure Fundraiser Committee
 - i. Setting up meeting date in future
18. Pony Measuring
- a. Danielle Sackrider and Bobbi Jo Newland will work on updating this list and having the most up to date version available before we start 2022 pony measuring
19. United Way Funding
- a. Apply by January 13
 - b. Autumn & Executive Board work on this
 - c. Need amount and reason (keep vague if possible)
 - i. Cindy Sigman motioned to ask for \$5000 in United Way Funding, 2nd Bobbi Jo Newland, all in favor, motion passed
20. Coggins clinic 2022 – Tabled for next meeting
21. Ribbons – Cindy sigman motioned for Horse Council to order our own ribbons from now on, 2nd Bobbi Jo Newland, all in favor motion passed
22. Jumping Leader – no update
23. Board Comments - None
24. Leader Comments - None
25. Youth Council – Shajnett read notes she took from meeting
- a. Short meeting
 - b. Trish Ulsh is a fair board member now
 - c. State 4H center (Kettunen Center(Spelling?)) has been sold
 - d. No financial report this month, unsure of outstanding bills
 - e. Fundraising
 - i. Selling Plat Books
 - ii. Selling a cooler/Trailer – either find someone to store or sell
 - iii. United Way Funding – applying for \$5000, have gotten anywhere from \$2000-\$10000
 - f. Ribbons
 - i. Inventory done in October

- ii. Need to order by end of January for discounted rate – will have those rates by January meeting
 - iii. Spent \$1500 on cheap cups this year
 - iv. Looking to spend \$2000-\$2500 on Koozi Cups for 2022 fair
 - g. CWF – submit info to office by January 7 if interested
 - h. Spring awards banquet will need to be scheduled by new board
 - i. Livestock association
 - i. Sale checks – 1 person is working on all of these so it is going slow, please be patient
 - ii. Premium checks will be coming from livestock association this year
 - j. 2 openings for Superintendents (Swine and Still Projects)
 - k. County Awards application is online and due January 7
 - l. 349 members, 62 cloverbuds, 141 volunteers enrolled as of 5:30pm December 6
 - m. Election ballots due by EOB 12/17/21
 - i. 3 teen spots needed to be filled
 - n. Burr oak club wants to get a bench for Jerry Waltke
 - o. Adjourned 7:05pm
26. Autumn Updates
- a. YQCA is a work in progress
 - b. Post fair meetings are finishing up
 - c. Would like to offer evaluations and skill-a-thon for horses
27. Meeting adjourned 9:10pm motioned by Teresa Hustedler to adjourn, 2nd Cindy Sigman, all in favor, motion passed

The next horse council meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shajnett Huffman

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Fairbook Committee Meeting November 21, 2021, Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 430pm.

Attending: Ally Barga, Bobbi Newland, Mackenzie McMillin, Megan Burke, Shirel Hart, Tereasa Hufstedler, Kadence Jennett, Teresa Howk, Connie Miracle, Cindy Sigman and Cindy Mingus

Cindy Mingus commented that other counties have high horse numbers and no breed division, only age divisions. She'd like to see larger classes for our county.

Proposals for breed divisions:

- a) Stock type, nonstock type, pony, mini and gymkhana
- b) Registered stock type, registered non-stock type, grade, pony, mini and gymkhana
- c) Leave as it is for another year

Showmanship age divisions:

- a) 8-11, 12-14 and 15-19 for all showmanship classes
- b) Ages 8-14, 15-19 with exception of the mini-showmanship will remain 3 age groups 8-11, 12-14 and 15-19
- c) Leave as is

Make rule that there will be no bareback patterns

Riding classes to be switched to 8-14 and 15-19 with exception of gymkhana classes- they will remain the same as in fair book with 3 age groups for horses and 2 age groups for ponies.

Gymkhana will discuss the classes to be offered.

Drop reining walk/trot class

Add In Hand Trail all ages, horse/pony over 46"

Costume class- leave ages as in fair book 8-12 & 15-19.... need theme for 2022

Driving class changes:

- a) Combine single pony/light horse and single pony over 38"-46" pleasure and Reinsmanship
This class would then read: Single Pony/Light Horse Working Pleasure over 38"
Single Pony/Light Horse Reinsmanship over 38"

Reinstating the Driven Dressage and Competitive Trail classes as was in Fairbook

Jumping- needing a leader or pay for jumping instructor to come and keep the program. Teresa Howk is going to contact Gene Martin and Cassie Hoover if they would help with the jumping program.

If we go to Non-stock and Stock type and eliminate grade. A rule will need to be put in place where that horse would be placed. Non-stock or Stock type. Also will that horse be able to flip back and forth with type on a yearly basis. Or once it is decided it is a stock type horse-that is where that horse stays for the duration if grade is not reinstated.

Meeting adjourned 6pm

