President Sarah Sylvester called the regular meeting of 4-H Council to order at 7:05 pm. Present were Sarah, Cody Alvesteffer, Lori Cargill, Kathy Carter, Michelle Holladay, Mikaylyn Kenney, Wendy Kenney, Karen Pankow, Jill Rockwell, Trudy Sibley, Jane Thocher and Lance VanSickle. Pledges were recited by all.

The Secretary’s report was presented. Lance moved, Trudy supported motion carried to add Kaylee Herrygers and Haley Mast as members of 4-H Council as they were left off the minutes from October. Jane moved, Michelle supported, motion carried to accept the report as corrected.

The treasurer’s report was presented. Cash and Bank Accounts show $3,036.83 in the Joyce Semelbauer Memorial Fund, $483.08 in Fifth Third Checking, $16,359.69 in Fifth Third Savings, and $20,544.03 in two CD’s for a total of $40,423.63. Kathy moved, Trudy supported, motion carried to approve the treasurer’s report as presented.

In committee reports, Large Market Sign-Up Saturday will be November 14 from 8:00-9:30 am at the MSUE Office. Small Market Sign-Up Saturday will also be November 14 from 9:30-10:30 am following Large Market at the MSUE Office in Hart. HDC is in need of a new representative to 4-H Council as Kim no longer wishes to do this. Youth Council Sub-Committees—Awards Banquet went well and ten boxes of food for the food pantry were collected. Sarah suggested that clubs do a food drive. Ambassador Communications need a better way to connect with the ambassadors. Fair Board’s Annual Meeting is Wednesday, November 11.

In old business, we discussed giving some financial appreciation to Gordie the Grinder as he had volunteered his time for the leader banquet. Karen moved, Michelle supported, motion carried to give him a $50 check.

In new business, Michelle moved, Jane supported, motion carried to accept Wendy and Mikaylyn Kenney as members of 4-H Council. Mikaylyn presented information about her rabbit project and asked for monetary assistance to attend the State Rabbit Show and compete in the Golden Clover Showmanship. This was discussed at length and it was decided that council cannot donate to an individual competitor. Lance moved, Karen supported, motion carried that as council provides for educational training for teens and leaders, we decline funding to an individual competitor. At this time she will be thanked for her presentation and notified of our decision. Citizenship Washington Focus—Inauguration January 2017—This is for 14-19 year old 4-Hers. 4-H holds CWF every year. If youth consider attending, the payment would be due about six months in advance. The national conference fee is $816. Capitol Experience would be a good experience at the State level first. Plat Book 2016—6 boxes, about 450, remain from the last book published. We need to think about where we want our inventory to be before we start working on the next one. Youth Council may need to seek bids from publishers in February. In other business $13,000 was raised for St. Jude’s at the Holladay’s Saddle Up event.

In Education, the plan for strategic planning was tabled due to the length of the meeting. The Scholarship and Awards committee will meet before the holidays to review and revise the 4-H Competitive Scholarship.

LORI’S UPDATES
- MSUE Office will be closed Nov. 11, Nov. 26, Nov. 27, Dec. 24, Dec. 25, Dec. 31, Jan.1
- Walkerville Resource Fair is this Thursday during conferences, a volunteer is needed. Trudy S. volunteered.
- Record Keeping and State Awards Training December 7th, 5:30-8:00
- Officer Training/Parliamentary Procedure Workshop January 11th, 5:30-7:30; Meal provided, Youth Council business meeting to follow
- Project FOCUS 6 week series at Hart Middle School with Animal Science Curriculum—Lori started today with Bacteria and pathogens as the focus.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Carter,
Kathy Carter, Secretary