OCEANA COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COUNCIL MINUTES
September 14, 2015

President Sarah Sylvester called the regular meeting of 4-H Council to order at 7:05 pm. Present were Sarah, Cathy Alvesteffer, Cody Alvesteffer, Grace Alvesteffer, Lori Cargill, Kathy Carter, Doug Fris, Kaylee Herrygers, Haley Mast, Ann Marie Overla, Jill Rockwell, Trudy Sibley and Jane Thocher. Pledges were recited by all.

The secretary’s report was presented. Doug moved, Cathy supported, motion carried to approve the report as presented. Doug gave the treasurer’s report. Cash and Bank Accounts show $3,036.60 in the Joyce Semelbauer Memorial Fund, $662.79 in Fifth Third Checking, $17,981.82 in Fifth Third Savings, and $20,526.11 in two CD’s for a total of $42,207.32. Jill moved, Jane supported, motion carried to approve the treasurer’s report as given.

In committee reports.

LARGE MARKET will possibly have the review meeting on September 28th. No date has been set for the Annual Meeting.

SMALL MARKET will possibly have the review meeting the week of the 28th. No date has been set for the Annual Meeting. Poultry project members fared better than average with a Pen Price and no birds.

HDC Julie Bersonnet resigned as president and club leader. Beth Meacham is taking over. Erin Ross is serving as interim Vice President. There are no bylaw changes to submit for approval at this time. The committee is looking at them.

YOUTH COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEES—The Finance Committee needs to meet and wrap up last year and set goals for the new year. It was decided that they would meet on the 23rd at 8:30. Scholarship/Awards committee needs to meet to go over the John Sayles scholarship requirements. It will meet on Fri for this and to go over 4-H scholarship requirements.

In old business,

FALL AWARDS is confirmed for Sunday, October 25 at First Baptist Church of Hart. Trp. Daniel Thomas will speak on Halloween Safety. There will also be a Food Drive Campaign “We Scare Hunger”. Kathy Alvesteffer moved, Kathy Carter supported, motion carried to have the proceeds of the food drive go to the Bread of Life Food Pantry.

LEADERS BANQUET is confirmed for November 2 at Shelby Optimist Club.

4-H AMBASSADORS — Cody Alvesteffer, Kaylee Herrygers, and Haley Mast—attended the meeting. Lori reported that they have been having poor customer service with stoles.com so they are making alternative arrangements for the stoles/sashes for the ambassadors.

YARD SALE/BAKE SALE—$1250.66 was made and will be donated to Crystal Valley Care Fund. Lori was wondering how the Tuesday thru Saturday event worked out. It was OK. Some days were low in attendance especially later in the week. Baked goods did well and came in fine.

FAIR—over all, the take at the gate was up. The tractor pull and demolition derby both were up. The mic at the auction and ribbon organization were a bit of a problem. Copies of possible changes should be sent to superintendents.

In new business,

BULK MAIL PERMIT EXPENSE we approved in the budget. The expense goes for newsletters.

OTHER BUSINESS—Thank You notes were received from Matt VanderWall, McKenna Sawyer and Morgan Herremans for their scholarships to Exploration Days. Thank You’s are required for senior scholarships.

Doug nominated the Hart Transportation Department for the Friend of 4-H award (voted upon in October) for allowing us to use their bus.

LORI’S UPDATES
* Back to School Open Houses were a success—Walkerville, Pentwater, New Era Elementary, and Montague Elementary all gave positive responses.
* Next Month is membership and officer elections. We were asked to please use this time to recruit participation.
* 4-H Re-enrollments are starting to come in. All must do on-line enrollments.
* Pictures and Premium Checks are available.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Carter, Secretary