President Sarah Sylvester called the regular meeting of 4-H Council to order at 7:10 pm. Members present were Sarah, Cathy Alvesteffer, Grace Alvesteffer, Heidi Bromley, Lori Cargill, Kathy Carter, Cassie, Michelle and Whitney Holladay, Cheyenne Kalfsbeek, Mikaylyn and Wendy Kenney, AnnMarie Overla, Karen Pankow, Trudy Sibley, Jane Thocher, and Lance VanSickle. Pledges were recited by all.

The secretary’s report was presented. Jane moved, Cheyenne supported, motion carried to accept the secretary’s report as presented.

The treasurer’s report was presented. Cash and Bank Accounts show $617.96 in Fifth Third Checking, $3,035.69 in the Joyce Semelbauer Memorial Fund, $15,231.11 in Fifth Third Savings, and $20,526.11 in two CD’s giving a total of $39,410.89. Lance moved, Wendy supported, motion carried to approve the treasurer’s report as given.

Committee reports were given. Large Market—4-Hers may now raise two animals, still only showing and selling one animal. Both animals would have to be registered with ear tags and pictures, one declared as the primary animal and the other their reserve, and $5 fee paid for the second. The one going to the fair would have to be declared with the 4-H office no later than 14 days before the fair. The date for a replacement in case of death will be the same. The annual meeting will be tomorrow night, October 14. Small Market—The annual meeting will be Monday, October 20. 4-H youth in the rabbit project must now own and breed the doe.

Interested adult volunteers do not have to be a parent to be on the board. HDC—Derek Michael and Trent Kidder will be converting the remaining tie stalls into box stalls. This will reduce the overall number of stalls available.

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In new business, we had to nominate and elect youth council membership. It was suggested to have everyone present at the meeting plus Doug Fris, Kim Eubank, and Jill Rockwell serve as voting members. Michelle moved, Lance supported, motion carried to have all present and the three in absentia as council members. We also had to elect officers. All present officers said they’d be willing to serve again. Lance moved to keep the same slate of officers, Michelle supported, motion carried to have all present and the three in absentia as council members. We also had to elect officers. All present officers said they’d be willing to serve again. Lance moved to keep the same slate of officers, Michelle supported, motion carried to have all present and the three in absentia as council members. We also had to elect officers. All present officers said they’d be willing to serve again. Lance moved to keep the same slate of officers, Michelle supported, motion carried to have all present and the three in absentia as council members. We also had to elect officers. All present officers said they’d be willing to serve again. Lance moved to keep the same slate of officers, Michelle supported, motion carried to have all present and the three in absentia as council members. We also had to elect officers. All present officers said they’d be willing to serve again. Lance moved to keep the same slate of officers, Michelle supported, motion carried to have all present and the three in absentia as council members. We also had to elect officers. All present officers said they’d be willing to serve again.

Lori’s Updates
- There has been an increase in interest to workshops at Kettenun Center in the past year. There was much discussion on reimbursements. Some asked if we can pay upfront for leaders. Michelle moved, Trudy supported, motion carried to keep things the same. We need to look at potentially how many will go to Kettenun, MSU, etc. Jane moved, Trudy supported, motion carried to set one up an ad hoc committee to come up with how to reimburse for 4-Hers.
- The Molina book give away was updated. Some books were given away at the Walkerville Spirit Weekend and the Oceana Home Partnership Connect. 250 have been given away so far.
- Plat books have gone to press. In the future we may want to be mindful of November elections for entries.
- Leaders’ Updates/Trainings—Lori is seeking planning assistance to host meetings to share all that leaders need to know. Jane Thocher, Cathy Alvesteffer and Heidi Bromley volunteered to assist with planning and facilitating this.
- Saddle-Up for St. Jude’s is this coming weekend. Volunteers are needed. Working one hour can earn a non-club point. Come and ride, help, bid at the silent auction. Fliers were available with more information.

In other business Lori reported that they have had some amazing nominations for the Sayles Award.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Carter
Kathy Carter, Secretary