Mecosta County Horse Leaders Association
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2016

Present: Jamie Bissett, Dee Bozek, Deb Dygert, Karen GreenBay, Liza Ing, Chad Leal, Sheila Lee, Teri Ouderkirk, Linda Probst, Nikki Simcoe, Janet Snider, Tiffany Spedowski, Kim Wilber.

I. Call to order- 7:05pm by Tiffany Spedowski

II. Roll Call - Barnyard Bunch, Boots to Blue Jeans, Hats to Hooves, Hippology, Hooves of Thunder, Silver Spurs, Stanwood Pioneers, Tamarack Town & Country, Unbridled

III. Approval of Minutes - March 2016 Meeting- Nikki motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Liza. Minutes Approved.

IV. Treasurer’s Report - Current balance-$9,044.53, amount belonging to ROC is $241.15.
- Outstanding checks - $199.96
- Liza motioned to approve, seconded by Nikki. Treasurer’s report Approved.

V. Extension Office Report
- Fair books have arrived at the office

VI. President’s Report/Old Business
- P.A. System – received quotes from Quins at the last meeting and Innovative Solutions in Rockford. Innovative quote is $3,780.00 and can call any time of the day or week. Motion to purchase speaker system from Innovative was made by Dee and 2nd by Jamie. Motion passed.
- $40 scholarship fee for youth going to State; and Project books due June 1st
- Horse Registrations – Leaders were given a list of youth from their club that may have had incomplete registrations
- Number of Registrations as of Today:
  (35) Cloverbud – with (19) W/T
  (30) Novice – with (22) W/T
  (18) 12 and Under
  (34) 13 – 15
  (27) 16 – 19
  (8) Pony 
  (152) Total Youth
- There could possibly be an issue with trailers on speed day during fairweek

VII. New Business
  a. Horse Registrations – A youth member’s horse was killed and a request was made to allow replacement; and allow two weeks for coggins to be turned in for the new horse. Motion made by Deb to approve the horse replacement and 2nd by Jamie.
  b. Job Assignments for Point Shows – will be posted on Facebook

VIII. Committee Updates/Reports
a. **Budget Committee** – No Report

b. **Developmental & Educational** – Record/Project books are up-to-date and on the MSU Extension website at: [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/mecosta/4_h_programs](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/mecosta/4_h_programs)

   Once you get to the website, scroll towards the bottom and the horse Project Books for all age groups are at the bottom of the webpage. Project Books are due *June 1st*. Books will not be turned in at fair week.

c. **Horse Show & Handbook Review** - Changes have been made for dressage, bareback & saddle seat. Youth and parents are encouraged to read the rule book for updates

d. **ROC Committee** – Judge for Rock during fairweek – recommend Penny Marek

c. **State Horse Show** – No Report
d. **Year-End Awards** – No Report
e. **Youth Committee** – Novice clinic was well attended; considering the sporadic weather of hail, snow, and sleet. Recommended that a microphone be available next year to direct participants to appropriate sections of the arena

IX. **Other business**

a. **Michigan Horse Council** – Dee Bozek was re-elected. No meetings during summer months.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm. Motion by Janet to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted By
Karen GreenBay, Secretary