1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER
President Sherri Rivers called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

2) PLEDGES
The 4-H Pledge & Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

3) APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion by Patti Adams, second by Bobbi Newland to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried. Reminded everyone to please sign the sign in sheet located on the table in the back of the room.

4) INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS
Angie King

5) APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2014 HORSE COUNCIL MINUTES
Motion by Brenda Lewis, second by Cindy Sigman to approve the September 2, 2014 Horse Council Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

6) SECRETARY'S REPORT
a) Received and read correspondence from: Emily DeLeo, Samantha Griffith, Jessica Kelley, Allison Littlefield, Brady Littlefield, Alexis Leighton, Olivia Leighton, Bailey Miracle, Kali Reeg, Mariah Schlabach, Samantha Sigman, Amanda Sutton, Emily Sutton, Mikayla Wilcox and Megan Zinsmaster.

b) Reminder for all Leaders to please turn in the State Delegate signs that were used at fair.
7) **TREASURER’S REPORT**

Treasurer’s Report was presented by Tereasa Hufstedler: She provided the monthly financial report for October and also details for Expenses & Income. The Pleasure Show fundraiser had a net profit of $699.46, the Gymkhana fundraiser show had a net profit of $1,065.03 and the Driving show had a profit of $173.20. The total fair expenses were $2,153.33 which is lower than last years and that does include the expenses for the KQPP. The invoices for KQPP: Bruce’s Tack box for 2 director’s chairs and 2 bridle bags ($173.35 minus $50.00 donation from Bruce’s Tack Box makes total invoice of $123.35) and invoice from Adams Shirt Shack for embroidery of the above mentioned items totaling $33.39 We have received an invoice from Otten Trophies. Consensus and approval of the group to proceed with payment to Otten Trophies. Thank you Otten Trophies for all the great trophies this year! Also discussed final accounting for the Horse with the Most Heart Award and Shirel Hart said she will take care of that.

8) **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

9) **LEADER COMMENT**

Sherri Rivers & Julie Bruce stated that they wanted to publicly thank everybody who helped at the fair. The fair ran very smooth due to all the helpers that stepped up. That was also the general consensus of everyone at the meeting.

10) **SPECIALTY AREA REPORTS**

a) **CLOVERBUDS** – Pam Cook stated that there was nothing new to report at this time. The Cloverbuds had a good fair and enjoyed it.

b) **COMPETITIVE TRAIL** – No report given at this time.

c) **DRESSAGE** – No report given at this time.

d) **DRIVING** – Brenda Lewis & Bobbi Newland stated that they really appreciated all the help they had for the driving show days at the fair.

e) **GYMKHANA** – Shirel Hart stated that Nancy Hofstra has let her know that she is resigning effectively immediately. Pam Cook stated that she wanted to publicly thank Nancy Hofstra for the help and work she has done with the gymkhana program the past several years.

f) **HORSE BOWL / HORSE JUDGING** – The kids have all worked very hard and they are preparing for National competition in October. This is a VERY exciting opportunity for them and they are all very much looking forward to it! They are looking for any donations they can get to help with expenses. **Motion by Pam Cook, second by Patti Adams that the Horse Council donate $50 per child competing in the National Competition for Horse Judging. Discussion took place. Motion withdrew. Motion by Brenda Lewis, second by Bobbi Newland for the Horse Council to donate UP TO $400 from Horse Council General Account to help cover expenses for the SJC representatives participating in the National Competition for Horse Judging under the guidance of Tammy Hughes. Motion carried.**

   g) **JUMPING** – No report given at this time.

   h) **REINING** – No report given at this time.

11) **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

a) Sherri Rivers read all of the feedback forms that were received.

b) Awards Listing – the lists will be updated to include the 2014 recipients (Clark Buckles, Schmick High Point, English High Point, Driving, Pleasure Hi-Point, Horse With The Most Heart, Megan Holt Award, etc.)

12) **SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT**

Details of net profit for each of the fundraiser shows were provided above during the Treasurer’s Report. Thank you Brenda Lewis, Bobbi Newland, Shirel Hart and Connie Miracle!

13) **REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None at this time.
14) **NEW COMMITTEES / DATES FOR MEETINGS**
Discussed the need and expectations of future committees (Awards, Constitution/County Rules, Fair book, Judging, Points, and Show Committees). We are aware of mistakes that are in the Fair book that need to be corrected. Also, discussed the possibility of rather than having just one committee oversee all the shows; perhaps have a committee for each specific show (State Qualifier, Pleasure, Driving, and Gymkhana) as this may be an easier way to handle and coordinate the shows more effectively.

15) **OLD BUSINESS**
Each Leader (Regular & Specialty) was encouraged to make list of any 4-H Club owned items and to bring it to the next HC Meeting. Any questions regarding this, please talk to Eva Beeker. A reminder was given that the 4-H Jumps need to be moved/relocated from where they are/have been stored at the SJC Fairgrounds (they were previously in the Posse Barn). Currently they have been put on a hay wagon. Several of the jumps, jump cups, standards, etc. have been damaged due to not being stored/handled properly. The wagon also has bridge and other items that were used for trail class at fair.

16) **NEW BUSINESS**
Eva reminded Leaders that the SJC TSC annual Clover Sale was going to be from 10/8 – 10/19. Please do your best to help show support and thanks to both our local TSC stores in Three Rivers & Sturgis. Connie Pagels will be calling leaders to find out what days/times clubs are able to help fill time slots. Great way to show support for TSC and also get recognition for 4-H. TSC is always very willing to help SJC 4-H whenever we’ve asked.

17) **EVA’S UPDATES**
Eva stated she wanted to thank everybody and that overall the 2014 SJC Fair was a wonderful fair. We had great weather and good attendance. Eva reminded leaders that there were many trophies in the MSU Extension Office that need to be picked up yet. Remind your club kids to pick them up and to bring a thank you letter when they come to pick them up. No trophies will be released without a thank you note to the donor.

18) **ADJOURNMENT**
Motion by Kelli Trail, second by Cindy Sigman to adjourn. President Sherri Rivers adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
*Diane Zinsmaster, Secretary*

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.