St. Joseph County, MI
4-H HORSE COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 3, 2016

President: Diane Zinsmaster (deperados)                                  Secretary: Peggy Geruszka (T&C)
Vice President: Pam Cook (Tumbleweed)                                     Deputy treasurer: Shirel Hart (gymkhana)
Treasurer: Teresa Hufstedler (Buckaroos)

Buckaroos: Shelley Carpenter, Desperados: Michelle Chupp-Sears
T&C: Connie Miracle Tumbleweed: Andrea Littlefield Sauwauseebee:
Amy Taylor Trail Blazers: Vicki Sutton, Stirrup Fun: Patti Adams

Specialty Areas: Cloverbuds: Pam Cook, Competitive Trail:
Teresa Hufstedler Driving: Bobbi Newland, Danielle Sackrider Gymkhana:
Shirel Hart, Peggy Geruszka Jumping: Kello Trail.

Guests: Lori Bowdish, Scott Kline, Brianna McNeea, Beenda McNees

1. Call meeting to order: 6:35 PM. Diane Zinsmaster called meeting to order

2. Pledge: Pledge of Allegiance and the 4h pledge were recited.

3. Approval of April minutes: Motion to Approve April 2016 meeting minutes by Shirel Hart, 2nd by
Breanne McNees, notions carried.

4. Motion to Approve the Agenda for May meeting by Connie Miracle, 2nd by Michelle Shears, Motion Carried.

5. Secretary report: no correspondence.

6. Treasurers report: Beg. Balance $5249.53. No bills. Motions to pay deposit to Sturgis Trophy of
$1000.00 by Patti Adams, 2nd by Lori Bowdish. Motioned carried.


8. Leader Comment:

   *Connie Miracle reported that the Fuzzy Horse show was a success cold weather and all. $1292.00 was
taken in by the show. Drafts are written for insurance, horse council, pleasure, gymkhana, reining , jumping.

   *Workout dates for Jumping, Reining, Gymkhana, still need to get to Eva so they may post online.
* Fair Showbill: April 14th meeting with Kelli/Pam/Teresa to discuss splitting the arena. They discussed Starting Reining at 4:30 in the old arena. Splitting the Megan arena, and ending trail at 3:30. Motion to accept ideas discussed by Kelli Trail, 2nd by Andrea Littlefield.

* Need to order cones for all horse programs. looking into pricing.

* next meeting we will need to fill work assignments for the Gymkhana fundraiser.

* Judges contracts are in except the pleasure fundraiser. no judge yet for costume class for fair. Costume class will be in the warm up arena. Need to decide on the costume theme as it is supposed to be in the fairbook. Motion by Danielle to have superheros theme second by Bobbi, motion carried.

* Ages for costume class will by 9-14 and 15-19. Connie motioned to accept the age divisions. 2nd by Lori, motion carried. (in the case of two different ages groups the team will go with the oldest age of youth in group)

* Ribbon inventory: Pam will do with Eva to set ribbons.

* Rulebook changes are not yet completed.

* emailing horse project rules to everyone.

9. Club up-dates: Tshirts for the Gymkhana fundraiser. $25.00 for a spot on the shirts.

* Speed Clinic at Red Horse was a great success. Excellent turnout many good compliments and many asking if we will do it again next year.

* Sat. May 14 2pm. Patti Adams house. Comp. trail rides. May 27th Friday is Changed to Terressa Hufstedlers house. Please RSVP.

10. Speciality: Kelli Trail for jumping is willing to go to workouts for clubs. She will be with T & C June 15.

* Driving: May 26th at Fairgrounds.

11. Pony Measuring: June 9 6:30 to 7:30pm

June 25 8:30 to 10:30am

July 19 6:30 to 7:30 pm

12. Dressage Workouts: (Facebook page, St. Joseph county dressage)

June 27, July 11, July 25, Aug 8, Aug 22

Horsemans, 6:30pm
13. Update on Coggins Clinic.: Excellent turnout. went very smooth. Over 100 horses. Will do it again next year at fairgrounds if we can.

14. Action items: Points Committee: propose to purchase the Charlie HOrse point system for $265.00. Will be used for State Qualifier. Motion by Andrea 2nd by Teressa, Motion carried.

15. Diana suggests that one person from each club preferably the Organizational leader will be the points committee. Names: Terressa Hofstedler(buckaroos) Kelli Trail (tumbleweeds) Patti Adams(stirrup fun) Connie Miracle(T & C) Lisa Deleo(Trailblazers)Wendy or Brian Wonders(Sauwauseebee) Diane Zinsmaster(Desperados)


   * 4h Fundraiser July 9th at Centerville Middle School. Marshall from Paw Patrol will be there. if interested in putting something together for it contactn Tony Hofstedler.

   * lots of happening for many Species in June please check the website

   * Exploration days has many kids going. Great attendance.

   * Update on the Ellis Family, he is home and doing well!!

   * Cloverbuds, need to have a horse sign up form just like the rest of the 4h kids

   * June 28 meeting is scheduled to replace the July meeting.

17. Motion to adjourn by Amy 2nd by Lori. Motion carried.

next meeting June 7th. 6:30pm