## **Columbia County 4-H Minutes**

## Thursday, January 26, 2023

Attendance – Becky Pfile; Denise Mender; Jennifer Martens; Stacci Blau; Brenda Murphy; Janel Savich; Jennifer Tomlinson; Cathy Wendt; Sheena Ringelstetter; Braden Breneman; and Chris Breneman

Meeting called to order at 6:38 pm

Minutes from previous meeting: Brenda Murphy motioned to approve the minutes and Sheena Ringelstetter provided a second to the motion. Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report (See attached): Brenda Murphy motioned to approve the report and Sheena Ringelstetter provided a second to the motion. Motion passes.

Club Sharing: Sheena provided that the Arlington Prairie Producers are hosting a club card party is set for next Saturday night (Arlington prairie producers at the public events building).

Lodi Challengers have been tossed around to different venues and are looking for a more permanent options to hold meetings. Their march meeting will be a bowling event.

Chris Breneman's club had a demonstration night with their club.

Jen Marten provided that their club recently went roller skating.

Jennifer Tomlinson provided that they went caroling in December and plan to go bowling. Also, they are planning to "spread kindness" in their community.

Janel Savich provided that her club went to the corn maze last fall and they are planning to have the foreign exchange student at the next meeting.

## **Committee & Group Reports:**

4H Ambassadors: No report

**Horse:** Jennifer Tomlinson attended the meeting. Three categories involved in showing of horse:

Model Horse Show; Inside Horse show; and Outside horse Show. There will be a Hippology Horse Show on May 12th and 13th. There is schooling show in July for practice and the show is July 23rd and there is a speed show available on July 29th.

**Dog:** Charter Dissolved as there is no current leader. Becky Pfile can connect with Denice Mender to determine what do with the funds.

Livestock: No report

Cloverbuds: No report

CC Fair Board: Chris Breneman shared that she and Becky Pfile attended the meeting. There was a fair convention in Wisconsin Dells and there were several different kinds of vendors for people to come to the different fairs in the state. There is also a raffle that the different counties participate and the proceeds are distributed. For example, some of the money is allocated to the Fairest of the Fair. The Fair Board has a FB page also. Some events include a car cruise, rodeo, bigger engine tractor pull. Wrist bands will be sold. Best Practice band will be playing. The fair will be held from July 26-July 30 and the theme for this year is "Memories Made Here." The Lodi Fair will be held during July 6-9.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Calendar of 4H Events: List of Proposed Calendar by Becky Pfile; however, some of the dates are tentative. Janel Savich moved to approve the proposed calendar and Brenda Murphy made a second to the motion. Motion passes.

#### **New Business:**

Summer Camp: Columbia, Sauk and Dodge will be going with us. Busing is the question. The busing cost is \$539.00 for each county for the bus to take the children to camp. In Sauk County, they decided that the cost for busing should be included in the 4H member's cost for camp (children in grades 3-6) Increase the cost by \$225?? This would cover the cost of the bus. Dodge County Leaders voted to pay for the busing through Leader's Association. Can the Leader's pay for busing for Columbia County kids? We agreed to not confirm with the bus at this time.

Should we pay for the cost of camp counselors and volunteers? Brenda Murphy made a motion to pay the cost of camp for counselors and volunteers and Chris Breneman made a second to the motion. Motion passes.

**Discovery Kits**: We received a grant from the state to cover the cost for kits and 12 children participated with the kits. Becky will touch base with Denise as to this issue.

Officer Training in January: Invoice from Sauk totaled \$65.00 for the cost of Columbia County 4H members to participate in training. Cathy Wendt made a motion to pay the total cost of \$65.00 for registration of Columbia County participants. Brenda Murphy made a second to the motion. Motion passes.

**Scholarship Information:** Sarah will be sending the scholarship info to the high schools shortly. Such info is due by March 15th. Becky will touch base with Sarah about this. We will form a scholarship committee shortly.

**Volunteer training reimbursement availability**: Becky had a volunteer request if reimbursement is possible for the for cost of registration for activities such as shooting

sports. They can submit a form for reimbursement to the Leader's Association for approval.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Cathy Wendt and Brenda Murphy made a second to the motion. Motion passes.

Next meeting: February 23, 2023 at 6:30 pm in conference rooms at HHS Building in Portage (1st floor).

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# **4-H Leaders Council Treasurer's Report**

Jan-23

9/23/2022 through 1/22/2023

BALANCE FROM 9/23/2022	\$ 33,930.93		
INCOME	2,933.00	\$ 2,933.00	
Plat Books Donation Space Camp Write off of ck from 6/26/21	880.00 13.00 2,000.00 40.00		
EXPENSES PAID OUT  Plat books Literature Plaques American Spirit Citizen Washington Focus Space Camp	(6,030.25) (685.00) (68.75) (39.00) (1,637.50) (1,600.00) (2,000.00)	\$ (6,030.25)	
Balance in Checking 1/22/2023		\$ 30,833.68	
Money Market 12/31/2022 Total		\$ 56,459.25 \$ 87,292.93	