



PORTER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 21, 2023



Attendance:

Officers	Tammy Cox	President	Morgan Hustling Hoosiers
	Meagan Ferguson	Vice President	Discovery Trackers
	Justin Higer	Secretary	At Large
	Bob Wichlinski	Treasurer	At Large
	Lori Stack	Bookkeeper	Leader Representative
Others	Lisa Teel	Adult Leader	Center Wildcats
	Lauren Kessler	Youth Rep	Center Wildcats
	Scott Krzyzanowski	Rabbit Supt	
	Amber O'Rourke	Adult Rep	Washington Wiz Kids
	Haley O'Rourke	Youth Rep/JL	Washington Wiz Kids
	Audrey May Ferguson	Youth Rep/JL	Morgan Hustling Hoosiers
	Kayden Ferguson	Youth Rep	Discovery Trackers
	Heather Cox	Youth Rep/JL	Morgan Hustling Hoosiers
	Adam Wasz	Youth Rep/JL	Morgan Sodbusters
	Kathy Wilder	Adult Leader	Liberty Hot Shots
	Sheila Lucas	Adult Rep	Center Homesteaders
	Andrea Lucas	Youth Rep/JL	Center Homesteaders
	Cyndi Morgan	Container Garden Supt	Liberty Sunsetters
	Heather Compton	Leader Rep	Jackson Volunteers
	Tabitha Somers	Horse & Pony Supt	
	Jennifer Myers	Extension Educator	

1. CALL TO ORDER - Tammy Cox 7:00pm
2. PLEDGES
 - American: Kathy Wilder
 - 4-H: Hailey O'Rourke
3. Special Event - 4-H member trip experiences
 - a. Tammy presented from Landry Braun – 4-H camp enriched her life, learning, friendships – Ryan Braun 4-H Camp talked about having fun & learning – Morgan
 - b. Shelby Braun added parents note that kids look forward to camp each year & thanks the council for providing the opportunity to go financially.
 - c. Heather Cox presented for Shilo Otey about 4-H Round up & learning experiences.

- d. Kayden Ferguson talked about 4-H Camp/AM Ferguson spoke about being a councilor at 4-H Camp & Roundup
- e. Hailey O'Rourke, President of Junior Leaders & Wash. Wiz – Spoke on Citizen Washington Focus trip, camp, councilor
- f. Heather Cox spoke on 4-H Academy and her production livestock class
- g. Adam Woz spoke about camp as a camper & councilor and how they help kids come out of their shell through an experience they enjoyed.
- h. Jennifer Myers talked about he first experience chaperoning
 - i. Read cards from other attendees of 4-H Roundup camp

4. AGENDA APPROVAL:

- a. Motion to approve: Lisa Teel
- b. 2nd By Scott Krzyzanowski

Motion Passed

5. MINUTES APPROVAL

- a. Motion to approve: Cyndi Morgan
 - i. 2nd Scott K

Motion Passed

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

7. EXTENSION REPORTS

a. JUNIOR LEADERS

Hailie O'Rourke spoke about micro pantry – Needs new location, can no longer build at Hill Top. Next meeting will be a white elephant Christmas party.

Christmas cards will be made to be delivered to Avalon Springs

b. AG SOCIETY – None – Budget needs to be submitted ASAP

c. EXTENSION BOARD – None

d. EXTENSION EDUCATOR – Jennifer Myers: Scholarship Deadlines (Foundation & Purdue: Jan 25, 2024. 4H open house week from yesterday 6-8. Set up at 5 at exhibit building. Needs project supts to have a booth and talk about their project (Science Fair style) 2nd January 6-8 at sunset Hill

Livestock supt meeting 12/7/23 at Expo East (Schedule planning) 6:30pm

Exhibit Hall Supt building meeting 12/14/23 Expo East upstairs 6:30pm

Angel is emphasizes volunteer enrollment – Get done as soon as possible

e. COMMITTEE REPORTS

i. EXECUTIVE

Discussed state of budget

ii. AWARDS – None... Is Awards updating scholarship awards for the application dates?

iii. BUDGET: State of the Budget

- 1. Bob gave a rundown of the current state of the budget & his background

2. "Fund Accounting 101" – Requires the body of people to agree on the budget – Give authority through purchase order system
3. Discussion of Restricted (protected scholarship funds) & unrestricted funds for spending & budget
4. Income stream: Money from county, trophy, enrollment
5. Recommendation for January budget meeting/vote
6. All members in attendance agreed to be on Budget Committee
7. Bob set standard for voting & approving budget
- iv. CONSTITUTION - None
- v. RULES COMMITTEE In new business
- vi. WAYS & MEANS
 1. GERANIUMS – Are we doing the geranium sale? Is this something we still want to do
 - Motion made for Council to Eliminate 2024 Geranium Sale – Amber Glissman
 - 2nd: Heather Compton & Scott K
 - Vote – None opposed. Motion Passed

Lisa Teel motion to approve all reports

2nd by Kathy Wilder

Motion Passed

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Lego Robotics – Tablets were fixed and updated for free. Could use charging cords – thank you Jennifer

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Proposed Rule Changes for 2024
 - i. Tammy went over 2024 proposed rule changes for several projects
 - ii. No required workshops are allowed. Can we do a hold harmless across the board?
 - iii. Motion to approve rule changes: Cyndi Morgan
 1. 2nd : Lisa Teel
 2. Vote: None opposed – **Motion passed**
- b. Vice President election
 - i. Nominated: Meagan Ferguson, unopposed (VP & Treasure Odd years, Pres & Secretary Even Years)
 - ii. Bob Wichlinski moves to unanimously approve Vote for Meagan Ferguson as VP – Motion Passed

10. MAKING THE BEST BETTER

11. CLOSING COMMENTS: Amber gave update on wreath fundraiser: Raised over \$1000

12. NEXT MEETING January 16, 2024 @ 7 pm in Room 102A of the Porter County Administrative Building

13. ADJOURN

a. Motion: Lisa Teel

b. 2nd: Bob Wichlinski

Motion Passed