



# PORTER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2024



1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm
2. PLEDGES US: Lisa Teel, 4-H: Tammy Cox
3. MINUTES APPROVAL November 2023 and January 2024 1<sup>st</sup>: Kathy Wilder 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lisa Teel
4. TREASURER'S REPORT
  - a. Bank balances reconciled as of today
    - i. Checking 1: Checking 2: Savings:
    - ii. Accounts are paid up to date as far as what presented
    - iii. Accounts receivable: Awaiting check from County
    - iv. Audit of accounts: All registers complete, tracing deposit amounts.
  - b. Bond: lapsed in December covering employees. Coverage increased for volunteers, execs & bookkeeper.
  - c. Weed to get errors & emissions insurance.
  - d. Bloom & Gustafson checks are all reconciled
  - e. Investment accounts: Scholarship accounts will be moved to Community fund. Money investment is not in compliance w/ Purdue requirements.
  - f. Met with Commissioners about funding increases from Porter County
  - g. Connie Rudd Hannon will now be helping as bookkeeper
  - h. Changes will be coming to condense into one checking account.
5. EXTENSION REPORTS
  - a. JUNIOR LEADERS: Audrey May Ferguson – Still building pantry. Will be at good Sheppard Church. Looking into press release & signups for 4-H clubs to have a monthly service project.
  - b. AG SOCIETY: Meeting Thursday
  - c. EXTENSION BOARD: No Report
  - d. EXTENSION EDUCATOR
    - i. 48 Camp councilors. There will be an overnight training. \$200 registration is due by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Asking to seek sponsorships if a hardship
    - ii. Camp registration due April 1<sup>st</sup>
    - iii. Mini 4-H craft night April 9<sup>th</sup> 6-7pm before JL's - \$5 per mini. Registration 3/29 on 4Honline.com
    - iv. Close to 1,000 enrolments by 5/15. Jen will kiss a pig at Porter County Fair. Right now at 902 members.
    - v. 4-H financial reviews: All clubs need to file 990E postcard by 5/19. Audit today for annual financial review to August/September
    - vi. Today is poultry day & National Ag Day
  - e. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- i. EXECUTIVE
- ii. AWARDS Keller:
  - 1. Process of applications for scholarships.
    - a. Get out & back at a certain time & set interview dates
    - b. More date discussion in new business.
    - c. Working on food auction & contacting donors and getting updated information.
- iii. BUDGET: No report
- iv. CONSTITUTION: No report
- v. RULES COMMITTEE: Read through handbook – Highlight your questions for things that need to be fixed and changed for after the fair
- vi. WAYS & MEANS Disbanded until 2025 budget

**Kathy Wilder first for approving all reports & Lisa Teel 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

#### 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Committees: Form is ready. Who do we send the form to? Discussion on how we get people to come to the meetings. Angel will send to all currently on.

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Senior Gifts: Hoodie for 10 year members & gift card. Gift cards for all seniors - \$900. Total \$2,075 – Repeat 2023 gifts.
  - i. Motion by Ryan Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lisa Teel/Wilder – Must be signed up by 5/15. Heather Compton will order sweatshirts
- b. Fair Preparations – Anything we need to focus on?
- c. Building Improvements –
- d. Scholarship timelines: Keller: Forms out on Friday 3/22. Apps due 4/15 Need at least a week and half to review. Interviews 4/30 & 5/1 . Corrections made by Keller on forms.

#### 8. MAKING THE BEST BETTER: Promote enrolling before 5/15

#### 9. CLOSING COMMENTS \_\_\_\_\_

#### 10. NEXT MEETING May 21, 2024 @ 7 pm EXPO East?

#### 11.ADJOURN First: Lisa Teel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sheila Lucas