



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 1st: Kathy Wilder 2nd: 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. Need 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 1st. Asking to seek sponsorships if a hardship
 - ii. Camp registration due April 1st
 - iii. Mini 4-H craft night April 9th 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 2nd.

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, 2nd 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, 2nd Sheila Lucas