

Saline County 4-H Council

Minutes

March 8, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Theresa Vernon. Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

Members in attendance: Theresa Vernon, Monica Zoubek, Cindy Brandt, Shedera Gropp, Sadie Brandt, Lena Gropp, Danielle Meade, Brielle Meade, Jamie Sand, Katie Zoubek Kelsey Zoubek and office staff, Riana Grotelueschen and Taylor Tyser.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the January 27th meeting were provided to all members. Katie Zoubek made a motion to approve the minutes. Cindy Brandt seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Financial Report: Cindy Brandt provided the Treasurer's Report. All payments for Lottery Pigs were received from 4-Hers purchasing pigs. Checks were written for EID Tags. Some funds came in from County Fair Show Shirt Sponsors. The Crete Cheerleaders have not paid their rental fees or Pepsi bill from the 2025 Saline County Fair. After discussion, Jamie Sand made a motion to have Riana send an invoice directly to the Crete Public Schools Athletic Director for the Equipment Rental fees (\$200) and Pepsi bill (\$672, which the Council paid). Dani Meade seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Correspondence – none

OLD BUSINESS

Fair Book & County Fair Changes: Taylor reported that the Fair Book changes are close to being done and proofed. Only about 100 fair books will be printed this year and given to Club Leaders, Ag Society Members, Superintendents and Extension Office Staff.

County Fair T-Shirt & Sponsors: Riana reported that she has received funds from a few sponsors for the County Fair T-shirts. So far about \$1,250 has been received from various sponsors. As of March 8, there are 4 Tier One sponsors and 2 Tier Two sponsors.

Buckle/Banner sponsors: funds have also started to come in from businesses and individuals sponsoring banners and buckles. Buckles will be ordered from Sheridan Buckle Company again this year.

Pay out of 4-H Foundation Funds: Riana will clean-up Foundation spread sheet and determine those who need to be paid for their remaining funds. Before being paid, these individuals will need to complete a 1099 form.

NEW BUSINESS

Lottery Pig: On March 15 at 1:00 p.m., 4-Hers will pick up their Lottery Pigs. 18 gilts and 19 barrows were purchased. There is a "rain date" of March 22. All payments have been received, and a check has been written to the supplier, Kyle Baade.

2025 Club of Excellence Awards: The State Office has a list of criteria which must be met to qualify as a Club of Excellence. The Saline County 2025 Clubs receiving this recognition include – Buttercup, Cloverleaf Kids, Czecherettes, Lads & Lassies, Livewires and Wranglers.

Access to First State Accounts for Taylor: Riana said Taylor needs access to view account balances and statements for the 4-H Council's First State Bank Account. After discussion, Jamie Sand made a motion to allow Taylor ON-LINE access to the First State Bank Accounts. Katie Zoubek seconded the motion. Motion passed. Cindy will call First State and confirm the username and password for the 4-H Council account at First State. She will then provide that information to Taylor.

Senior & Camp Scholarships: After the meeting, 4-H Council members who are able to stay after the meeting will review the Senior Scholarship Applications that were received for consideration. 3 Seniors applied – Kelsey & Monica Zoubek and Hayden Woerner. The 4-H Camp scholarship deadline has been set for May 1st.

Cindy Brandt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.