

Polk County 4-H Council Minutes

March 21, 2023

6:30 p.m. Extension Office

Scholarship committee meet at 6:00

Call to Order – Meeting was called to order by current Chairman Jeff Ingalls.

Roll Call - Those present included Kim Brehm, Colin Vrbka, Jake Zahm, Kole Crawford, Jeff Ingalls, Torie Jelinek, Kris Udey, Joleen Larson, Stacy Stewart and staff members Colleen Pallas and Tanya Crawford.

Election of Officers for 2023 – Stacy Stewart, current Vice Chairman called for nominations for the 2023 year.

-Chairman - Stacy Stewart nominated Jake Zahm for Chairman, 2nd by Joleen Larson. With no other nominations a vote was taken, and all were in favor of Jake Zahm as Chairman.

- Treasure -Torie Jelinek nominated Kris Udey for Treasurer, 2nd by Kim Brehm. With no other nomination a vote was taken, all were in favor of Kris Udey as treasurer.

- Secretary – Kim Brehm nominated Torie Jelinek as Secretary for a year term to complete Nicci Kropatsch’s term. Joleen Larson 2nd the nomination. With no other nominations a vote was taken, all were in favor of Torie Jelinek as secretary.

With the change in officers, it was stated that Kris Udey’s name would be added to the checking account as full permission as she is serving as the current Treasurer. Leave Torie Jelinek on the checking account as full permission as she is serving as the current Secretary. Remove Nicci Kropatsch’s name as she no longer is a member of the Polk County 4-H Council.

Treasure Report – Torie Jelinek shared the treasurers’ report with the council. The Council currently has a balance of \$29,313.05. This includes Quilts of Valor Donations of \$1,631.94, Memorial Donation Money of \$1,477.10 and 2023 4-H Program Donation Money of \$6,055.

Correspondence - No correspondence

Staff Reports – Tanya Crawford shared on Inventure Day and ESI camp, Colleen Pallas shared on School Enrichment, Ag Safety Day, and Summer Programing.

Old Business

- Committee Reports and Sign up – Tanya passed around a committee sheet for members to sign up.
 - Scholarship and Budget Committee – Three scholarship applications were received. Torie Jelinek made a motion to approve all three Polk County 4-Her’s to receive the scholarship. Kris Udey 2nd the motion. A vote was taken and all approved.
 - Constitution and Bylaw’s Committee – No report
 - Resource Development/ Fundraising Committee – No Report

New Business

- **Approve 2023 Budget** – The budget was discussed, and it was suggested to change 4-H promotion from \$100 to \$1,000 and change total expenses to \$12,300. Jeff Ingalls made the motion to approve as stated above, Stacy 2nd. A vote was taken and all approved.
- **Start of Fair discussion and changes**
 - **Horse Show** - The Polk County Horse Show will be moved to Saturday, June 15 before the fair because of the State Horse Show conflict this year. Torie and Joleen also mentioned that a new electronic eye is needed for speed events. They will investigate purchasing and bring cost and models to the meeting in May.
 - **Ice Cream Roll Contest** – A new contest will be added to the fair on Thursday, July 20th in the afternoon. More information will be shared soon!
 - **Speech/Presentation/PSA /Video** – This event is a Communications contest to work with the new State Premier Communications contest. Our Polk County Contest will be held on Monday, May 1st at the Midwest Covenant Home.
 - **Archery** - A new 4-H archery group will be starting in Polk County. Tanya will be attending the Fairboard meeting to ask permission to add an archery contest at fair and to allow them to practice in the building.
- **4-H council members need to enroll in 4-H and do the DHHS screenings** – Tanya asked that all enroll on 4-H Online. A link will be sent out. All 4-H Council members excluding youth members need to complete this by June 15th.
- **Polk County Fair – Theme and Ideas** - This year's theme is Red, White & Blue – Our Fair is for YOU! We will investigate fair exhibits, potential hay bale decorating, etc.
 - **Heart of 4-H Award** – suggestions - Potential recipients were discussed. Final decision will be made at the May meeting.
- **Other** – Stacy Stewart brought up that some of her 4-H families would like to have entry time on Tuesday evening for static items. It will be discussed between Colleen, Steph and Tanya and the final decision will be made and released to only 4-H families as time gets closer.

Next Meeting -May 16th ___6:30 p.m._____

Upcoming dates: Succulent Workshop – April 10th

QOV workshop – April 10th