Meeting Called to Order by:	Liz Gomash	at	7:00	pm

Roll Call by Club:

Gainers and Leaders	A	Y	Post & Rail	A	Y
Hoofbeats	A	Y	Regulators	A	Y
Hoppin' and Trottin'	A	Y	Silver Saddles	A	Y
Horse Hogs	A	Y	Stablemates	A	Y

Secretary's Report

The minutes were read for the August and September meetings.

August minutes were accepted with no corrections.

September minutes had corrections. Jenny Herr is taking a break from committees only not horse council. Add the word "Showmanship" to "Sr. Contesting". This is in the item regarding adjusting points due to judge error.

September minutes were accepted with corrections.

Treasurer's Report

Checking account balance = \$8323.28. We don't have the fair check in. Still need to reimburse Jenny Herr for high point. All checks have been mailed. Brad submitted bill for 2 awards = \$65.00.

Treasurer's report is accepted.

Educator Comments

Horse Item Thank Yous-packet for each club: Please mail out thank you cards to those who donated to the horse auction item. Your club is marked with suggested number of donor's to send cards to. Mail out more if you can.

New 4-H Program year starts November 1, encourage all club volunteers to enroll early (by end of year); pull club rosters by October 15 for this past year before rollover. This can be used to order pins for years of service. Encourage members to enroll before the deadline of April 1.

Committee Reports:

Versatility: Confusion about the versatility committee was an oversite by Liz. The judges were given the different patterns from what the kids were given. The problem was resolved during the class. Jenny asked if the patterns are discussed during the versatility meeting with the judges present.

Liz requested that all clubs be on a committee. All clubs are present to help during fair.

High Point – Jenny Herr still needs reimbursed. She provided copies of the list of high point sponsors to each club for Thank You cards. Ranch Banners and Pony Champion and Reserve

Performance High Point Banners are still good for next year because they don't have the year on them. The Pony Champion Buckle is good because it did not have a year on it.

Total spent for Beef (sandwiches) & Dairy (milk shake)coupons = \$613.00 Everyone is happy with awards.

Awards Ceremony – set up went well. Had a good turn out. Garth will keep doing it. Confusion regarding the 10/11 yr member year mark. "Graduating Seniors" should be for the ones graduated. They won't be back the following year. Tin

7 days of Horses – all checks have been sent to clubs. Denny said everything went smoothly. Everything was turned in time and in order.

Old Business:

PAS Show 2024: Morgan from Henry Co has the arena booked for June 15, 2024. We need to decide if we want to partner with Henry Co again. Discussed the details and ideas. For the next show we should set up a meeting with her to work out the details. Would like to stay in communication regarding the show.

Polly made a motion to have PAS Show with Henry Co. We will need to schedule a meeting with Morgan. Motion seconded by Jenny. Motion passed.

Discussion regarding the PAS show: Why can't we sign up the day of the PAS show? Is this a rule at state level? Can we change this?

How can we purchase mini jumps? A motion will have to be made. Tabled for future discussion.

Outstanding Member Nominations – Carrie has the list. Liz will need the list to get the plaques ordered. Nominations were discussed to make sure Liz has correct spellings.

Fair Wrap Up/Comments

Shelly – thank for the fair clean up sign up sheet, it was a good reminder / some fair patrons wanted a later show on Saturday.

Courtney – kids had good attitudes / please make sure kids are aware that boots and helmets are required all week.

Denny – we need to get parents involved as people leave and positions change. We are short handed. Committee heads, like High point can be done by parents. We need to recruit new people as advisors.

Jenny – Todd suggested to not put a time limit on the break/lunch. The length of the break can be announced at each break/ give the office staff and announcer the list of kids that don't get placed. "Grade Only List" to post in the office. / Becky in the office needs Senior/Junior/Pony list.

Tanya – hand washing stations produce a lot of trash.

Liz – appreciated all help during fair. All went well.

Sportsmanship Award – suggested to get a medallion instead of a plaque.

New Business:

Horse Council Scholarship-updates to process:

Horse Council Scholarships – 2 are offered - due April 1 = \$100.00 ea / Recipients to be announced at Awards Ceremony at fair. Discussed requirements for scholarships. Jenny made a motion to remove wording "preferably a male and a female". Change wording of first sentence to be "(2) \$100 scholarships will be award to two current 4-H members, ages 14 and older, as of January 1 of the scholarship application year." Courtney seconded. Motion carried.

Denny made a motion – Applications for scholarships are submitted to horse council and decided by executive committee. Shelly seconded. Motion carried.

Horse Royalty Applications – due April 1. Royalty award = \$250.00

Other Handbook or Fair Book changes-any?

Need to change Ranch classes back to "all age"

Should get rid of jump classes. Class #'s 37, 38, 39. They can be added back in the future. Should make a true All Around Award – for western and English.

Add a horsemanship class for donkeys/mini equine for safety purposes. Class 13 would be changed to donkeys/mini. Although, not sure if there will be anyone riding a donkey next year. Contesting – Make 1 day = poles/stakes/big E/key hole. Make the other day = barrels/flags/cones & barrels/ speed & control

Denny suggested we do Speed & Action instead of Speed & Control.

Your grades classes can be on the same day or over both days.

Do you get only 1 flat amount for horse projects?

Grades - A = \$10 / B = \$8 / C = \$6

Are 2 grades classes necessary? Yes, in order to participate in versatility. Otherwise take what you need to take.

Class changes need to be decided ASAP to get discounts on ribbon orders. Question raised if we need a committee to change classes. Liz said no, we can make motions and vote on the changes.

- 1.) Motion by Courtney– Switch Speed and Control to Speed and Action, and change contesting classes to make 1 day = poles/stakes/big E/key hole. Make the other day = barrels/flags/cones & barrels/ speed & action. Jenny seconded. Motion carried.
- 2.) Motion by Polly Ranch classes to be "all age". Bonnie seconded. Motion carried.
- 3.) Motion by Polly Replace the draft/sms, class 8, with Donkey/Mule SMS. Replace the draft horse western horsemanship, class 13, with Donkey/Mule Horsemanship. Shelly seconded. Motion carried.
- 4.) Motion by Shelly Remove over fence classes. Bonnie seconded. Motion carried.

5.) High point changes are tabled.

Tommy Herr made a motion that the horse council donate \$100 for each kid that showed at the fair since there has not been facility improvements. Shelly seconded the motion. Discussion followed:

- screenings are needed. Polly said they are being donated.
- Announcer's trailer is leaning. New building is currently being discussed. Also being discussed is a storage bldg. for equipment. The facility is rented out all year round, horse council should not be responsible for repairs to the facility and/or equipment.
- Market animals get money.

Courtney moved to amend the motion – to donate \$50 for each kid that showed at the fair. Shelly seconded. Motion carried.

Roll Vote for the motion as amended. All in favor. Motion carried.

Who should fill out the judges' evaluations? Trail judge and Amber Wyse – Versatility judge.

Other

Nov 5 – Advisor Banquet – soups/salad

Announcements:

Meeting Adjourned by: motion to adjourn by Jenny. Seconded by Courtney. 9:15 pm

Next Meeting Date: Monday, November 6, 2023; 7pm Buckeye Room