

SC4HSHA Meeting Minutes April 17, 2014

Call to Order at 7:40

**Pledges:** Brian P.- American; Carla K.-4H

**Clubs Present:** BC Wranglers, Cabelleros, Elite Equestrians, Equestrian Challenge, Equus Excellence, Horse Sense, Junior Leaders, Knight Riders, Lucky Levis, Macedonia Pioneers, Royal Riders, Rough Riders, Saddle Seekers, Showman's Corner, Trailblazers II

**Clubs Absent:** All Star Equestrians, Mane Attraction

**Reading/Approval of Last Month's Minutes & Secretary's Report:** Laura M. approve with change to date of advisor training. Dale F. second. Vote to approve minutes. Sara J. stated that executive chose to delay placing people on probation because it was not done last year. Notifications for being near and on probation will start going out after this meeting.

**Treasurer's Report (Joani H.):**

Checking Balance as of 4/7/14- \$38,823.22

Savings Balance as of 4/30/14- \$16,804.41

Paid \$85.50 to Gauer Rental for previous approved expenditure. 4 Checks that need approval:

ME Low- Replenish Sunshine Club \$50;

Samantha Agner, \$100, (ad sale top seller)

Jessica Porter \$75, (ad sale second place seller)

Kathy Grant \$50. (ad sale drawing winner)

\$37,871.87 in checking, which includes the bills to be paid. The last ad book deposit is not part of this balance. Savings has \$16,804.17. Denny B. submitted a bill for \$50 for fuel and says he was OK with receiving Sheetz gift cards. Joani H. recommends giving the Sheetz cards to Denny because the Carla K. states give Denny B. Sheetz Cards, Mary Ellen L. second. Motion approved. Jacki S. asked how many Sheetz cards are left over. After giving Denny B. 5 cards there will be 11 cards left. Carla K. motion to approve the bills. Dale F. second. Motion passed.

**Extension:** Jacki K. not present. No report.

### **Committees**

**Junior Leaders: Rachel S.**- Wanted to thank the Junior Leaders for working a horse show and leadership training. Horse camp applications are available and they would like them in ASAP. Camping forms for Camp are on the Summit County Fair website. These applications go to Cathy. Rachel S. asks to split half of the cost of a manure bin to share from camp, open show, and PAS. Approx \$165. Carla K. motion to split the cost of the manure bin for Camp between Junior Leaders and Saddle Board. Mike H. second. Motion passed. April 27 is the next business meeting. Dee C. asked if there will be scholarships for Horse Camp. Rachel S. states the Horse Camp scholarships are not funded by Junior Leaders. Rachel S. said to attach a letter if a child wants a scholarship.

**Ad Book: Carla K.**- Congratulations to the top sellers- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Samantha Agner of Horse Sense sold \$1000 in ads. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jessica Porter of Horse Sense \$890, Denise Bartoe sold \$530 & Kathy Grant sold \$535. Drawing was held and Kathy G won the raffle for the \$50 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. Ad sale totals are down, but so are the number of kids. Last year we had 137 listed. This year there are 119 fair participants listed. \$20,925.00 in ad sales this year. We will saddle stitch the book, which is free compared to the perfect binding. Cost of each book is \$5.58, which was approximately \$1 less per book than last year. Average sales (minus the top 4) was \$150. With one more business card per kid it would double our profits. Joani H. asked if we could get the ads started earlier in the fall. Carla K. says it wouldn't be a problem, but the checks

bounced when they were held for months. Dee C. said that in the fall many businesses have already spent ad money. Skyler Young from Saddle Seekers won the coloring contest, but Dianne J. suggested an idea of putting a border of the other non-winners around the winner, and it will be included with all the club names on it. The center spread was not sold, so Carla K. made the center spread show bills. Saddle Horse Bucks given out is \$705 and is not included in the profit. Last year we printed 375 books. Carla K. would like to see 400 books, but priced on 375 books. Carla K. would like every full page ad getting a book for free and charging \$1 for ad books that are given out at at the Saddle Horse Building. 47 full page ads sold this year; each one should get one book. Debbie H. states that some people who didn't buy a full page ad would like books without charging \$1. Sara J. stated that the books given out at Saddle Horse meetings could be free, but any books picked up at the Saddle Horse Building. Debbie B. stated one of the selling points for Sam A. was that the books are given away for free and that she takes the books with her to solicit ads. Carla K. is ready to go to the printer Friday or Monday but was waiting on a vote of the number of books. Mike F. states he doesn't see anything wrong with asking for a donation for the ad books. Mike H. asks why we can't go with less books because we have less kids. Jacki S. asks how many people outside of Summit County 4H come to the open shows. Angie H. said she saw many people not related to 4H pick up the book. Angie H. also suggest putting the ad books at the 4H booth in the Admin Building. Carla K. motion to print 350 books now and more later if we need them, Sam O. second. Motion passed. Sam O. asked if we voted on charging a donation fee before. Sara J. found in the November minutes that we did talk about this, but no vote was taken. Megan A. asked if we could set up a PayPal account to sell ads. Stated there is a fee with it. Mike H. stated that he would like to give Carla K. two Sheetz cards for her troubles driving around. Gwen W. second. Carla K. stated she would decline this if the motion passed. Carla K. refused, so motion failed. Carla K. motion for up to \$2000 for Ad Book printing since it should be done before the next Saddle Horse meeting. Judi A. asked if Carla K. had an invoice. Carla K. said not yet. Sue S. second the motion. Motion passed.

**Fair: Debbie H-** No meeting this past month. The 119 is just an ad book number and they are hoping the number will go up for fair. Kelly N. asked what the kids would have to pay if they did not sell an ad. Debbie H. said it is \$125 for the first kid and \$100 for the second or more child. There is a penalty if after June 1. Debbie H. stated she will try to get 3 bids for Fair Kitchen for the next Saddle Horse meeting. Sara J. asked when fair packets would be ready. Debbie H. said she would send it to the website around May 1 and then hand out 1 copy per club at the Saddle Horse Meeting. Debbie H. states May 8 is the deadline to turn in kitchen requests for Fair.

**Open Show- Gwen W-** Has some handouts by her, including lists of duties for advisors to pick up before the meeting ends; one per club. Gwen has May, June, & August show bills. Gwen will be emailing them to Brian. Clubs working May Show- Showman's Corner, Elite Equestrians, Saddle Seekers. Gwen W. says there is no one working the kitchen at the May show. If no club volunteers, then Saddle Horse will buy the concessions and make it a duty of the club and Saddle Horse gets the sales money. Sara J. brought up the food preparation training certification and asked if clubs working that show had it. It was said lubs can sell purchased pre-packaged food without going through the training at extension. Sue S. states they are allowed to sell pizza from stores as well. Kelly N. asked if other types of clubs were asked if they want to do kitchen. Brian P. said we need to get an email out the every club and will ask Jackie K. to see if they will do it. Joani H. asked if other organizations could do the kitchen. Carla K. asked if there would be show bills at the tack swap. Chris W. can take them. Carla K. states we need 100 show bills for the tack swap. Joani H. stated to take fliers to the Youth Show.

**Horse Bowl/Hippology/Judging Team- Sara J.-** Summit Seniors were 10<sup>th</sup> at State in Horse Bowl. Emily H. from Horse Sense was 15<sup>th</sup> and Josh C. from Caballeros was 18<sup>th</sup> individually. Juniors went four rounds. Hippology practice will be April 24 at 6:30 at J-Bar Stables, 3497 Reimer Rd, Norton, OH. The practice dates are on the website & Facebook page. There will be a demonstration at Horse Camp for Hippology & Judging Team.

**Sunshine-** Mary Ellen L.- Sending a card to Brad W.; he is still having heath issues.

**Rotating Trophies-** Mary Ellen L.- 2 Trophies are returning. Mary Ellen L. spoke with Ron Gray & Rachel Lasher to determine what to do with the Awesome Too trophy. They wish for it to be stored in the trophy case. The Tiny Wonder Trophy, per Elaine Chapman, will return to its donor, the Hillegas family. New trophy donated by Jacki S. is for Advanced Hunt Seat Equitation and by Horse Sense for Egg & Spoon.

**Fairboard- Mary Ellen L. & Mike H.-** Chris W. asked if clubs were going to do trash cans this year. Brian P. said we should add to the cans & maybe do more because it looks nicer. Mike H. said it would be OK to paint many cans. Mike F. said we could paint the cans on a work day. Rachel S. said they can paint cans at horse camp.

**Website- Sara J.-** Updated minutes will be put online. Asked Gwen W. for a .pdf format of show bills.

**Ribbons & Trophies- Kelly N.-** We will be looking for 3 bids for stall signs. Sam O. has a box of ribbons donated by Wendy Wood.

**Scholarship- Laura M.-** paperwork will be mailed out by the end of next week. Debbie H. asked who the paperwork would go to. Laura M. said the scholarship forms would go out to eligible people.

**Judges-** N/A

**Finance Committee- Judi A.-** Brad H. is in Ireland and he did not send any updates. Judi A. stated that the bylaws say any person handling \$1000 must be bonded. Judi A. asked how much it would be to get Joani H. bonded. Joani H. didn't know. Mary Ellen L. stated the person handling the camping fees should be bonded. Sam O. asked if the treasurer would have to be in active with every committee with money. With how the rules are written, yes. Sara J. stated that Rules Committee must look at this next year to see if the amount needs to be changed because open show and ad book easily handle more than \$1000.

**Competitive Trail- Dee C.-** Ride is August 9 at Silvercreek Metro Park in Norton. CVNRA is \$250 for the application fee then \$100 for the user fee. The user fee \*may\* be waived. Silvercreek is free. Dee C. chose Silvercreek because of the cost savings for the ride.

**Maintenance Volunteer Hours- Mike F.-** The April 15 work date was cancelled because of snow. The next work day is April 26 at 10am, so stall set up will be that day. It was asked if high school seniors are able to get community service hours for work days. Mike F. stated it seems like it would be OK, but just a concern for liability if not in 4H. Mike H. said he would ask Executive Fairboard, but doesn't see a problem with it because they let juveniles from the detention center work at the grounds. Mike F. asked Mike H. if they would allow kids to come in at other times to work. Mike H. stated both Bobcats are down. Gwen W. stated she would really like to have extra volunteers to help with the open shows and asked people to email her if they can. Jim N.- Jennifer N. from Horse Sense was able to get a 1968 Ford 1968 Diesel tractor for \$100 from the City of Akron. The tractor does not have rear arms, but can be purchased at a boneyard. Laura M. motion pay City of Akron \$100 for the tractor. Mike H. second. No discussion. Motion passed. Cathy M. states maintenance looked at the 4-in-1 twice. Per Brad H.'s brother, our current 4-in-1 can be used as a 3-in-1 because the current condition of the sand is too thin to use it as a 4-in-1 anyway because it will dig up too much actual dirt and rocks. Denny B. approached Fairboard to use the big tractor for using the 4-in-1, which was approved to use the 3-in-1, but not during fair. Mike H. stated the big tractor can be used only once before the season but not during fair. Denny B. talked to

people that do arenas; we do not need to use the 4-in-1 each time we drag. Another suggestion is to purchase a smaller piece of equipment the tractor can haul. Cathy M. also stated we need clubs to rake the dirt from the ring back toward the center by hand. Cathy M. will send a type-written thing she read for the minutes. Cathy M. recommends the bid from M&R Enterprises to replace the screws in the roof of Barn 10, caulk the other holes in the roof, replace 5 skylights in Barn 10, replace the ridge vent, and replace, the stringers near the inside roof (20-25 quoted; there are 88 total) for \$10,000. Adding more than 5 skylights to Barn 10 would be \$150 each. Judi A. asked if the cost of the screws was included in the \$10,000. Cathy M said yes. Judi A. asked if it is the lowest bid we received. Cathy M. said yes. One bid was for \$20,420 from Cardinal Maintenance Roofing, and \$16,430 from Pence Bros. Siding. Judi A. asked if there was a warranty for the work. Cathy M. states none of them will guarantee it to be leak free. Mike H. states most contractors guarantee workmanship. Jim N. said the roof was designed to last 40 years, we have 30 out of it. Mike H. said the two higher bids are from commercial companies the other company has lower overhead because it is a local company and it may take longer. Jacki S. states she knows Cardinal Maintenance is usually much less for siding jobs. Mike H. says there are many types of things that could change the prices. Judi A. asked if Maintenance is looking for a motion for the \$10,000 for the roof and \$150 per sky light and \$2000 for drainage. Mike F. stated they are only proposing the roof. Jacki S. asked who knows Shane from M&R Construction. Sam O. states she knows him and they have many references for him. Jacki S. asked what Shane normally does. Sam O. says roofing, siding, seamless gutters, etc. Mike H. stated the price difference is because he is both giving us a break, has a low overhead, and is willing to help with it. The company is fully licensed and insured through Ohio and is a general contractor. Debbie H. says it sounds like there was a lot of research done and there is a company willing to do the work and give us a deal and now we are complaining about it. Jon W. stated we are trying to save money and there are at least four people who are or were contractors who spoke with this company are willing to recommend them. Sam O. stated Jackie K. has said we cannot put volunteers on the roof, but we have enough people that can do a French drain. Mike H. states the bid for the drain is basically for ditching; the rest we can do ourselves. Cathy M. read the terms of the contract. Cathy M. states Fairboard must approve whatever we approve before work can be done. Jacki S. asked if Fairboard would pay for part of the repair. Mary Ellen L. stated Fairboard would like nothing more than Saddle Horse to use all of the storage money to repair the roof. Mary Ellen L. once again said it is Saddle Horse's responsibility to fix the barn. Mary Ellen L. stated if the roof is not repaired, we will not get storage money next year. **Jim N. motion to spend \$10,000 to have M&R Construction fix the roof. Dale F. second.** Mike H. states that if the motion passes, the time frame for it to be fixed is between the first open show & horse camp. Sara J. stated the dressage show is May 31. Mike H. stated the contractors would clean up so we could use the stalls and Ring B. Jacki S. asked what we are specifically voting on. **Cathy M. states a ridge vent (250'), 14,000 screws replaced, 50' area with metal that needs replaced, 20-25 roof ties (likely more if more need replaced), replace 5 skylights. Maintenance added the cost of 14,000 screws and a cushion for more wood for ties and any extra patching once work starts.** Joani H. asked why we're not replacing all of the sky lights. Dee C. said the ones on the wood side aren't that bad. Sam O. said there are 30 total skylights. Cathy M. states 4-5 have already been replaced and we have materials for 5 more. If we replace all 20 other skylights, it would be another \$3000 to replace. Debbie B. asked if the skylights will be good when the roof is replaced, Jim N. said probably not. Laura M.- for the record, the barn is 40 years old. Jacki S. asked if they received a bid from Alex Lahosky, Cathy M. said he did send a partial bid that did not bid on all of the areas requested. Jacki S. asked how much his bid for 500 screws, 30 joints, and 5 skylights was. Cathy M. said for the exact request he gave us (see previous

sentence) they were already at \$8500. Brian P. stated Alex was one of the higher incomplete bids. Laura M. called the question. **20 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain (Sam O. & Mike H.) Motion passed.** Cathy M. asked if we should vote to replace the other skylights. **Mike H. motion to hold off replacing the other skylights until later in the year so we can see after the work is completed if it is a necessity or not and to contact the company and ask if we can hold the \$150 price for a reasonable time, Laura M. second. Motion passed. (Sam O. abstain).** Cathy M. states Fairboard approved meeting **with Dave who created the speaker system for the rings. He has priced \$600 each for two speakers in Ring A, \$200 for labor, and \$200-400 for speakers in Barn 10.** This is far less than any of the other bids. Joani H. asked if the whole thing is going to be under \$2000 and that the speakers will be used for other systems if we replace it. Cathy M. said yes. Cathy M. says we need this addressed before the first show. Dale F. says Dave has spare parts for the system at home. Debbie H. asked if we are only looking at replacing the speakers in Ring A & Barn 10. Cathy M. said we are looking in to getting everything, including the campgrounds, looked at. **Sara J. motion to fix the speakers up to \$2000 with the repairs as listed above in the minutes, Sam O. second. Motion passed (Mike H. abstain).** Cathy M. stated we need to address the issue of being able to buy things at the auction because basic supplies tend to go cheaper at auctions. This was tabled until the next meeting.

Old Business

N/A

New Business

N/A

Open Discussion

Danette S. states her daughter received her USEF letter, and Nordon High School is putting in a page in the yearbook about 4H. Email Danette S names of other 4Hers. [djskolnik@windstream.net](mailto:djskolnik@windstream.net)

Judi A.- AGMC has approved the artwork for the fair t-shirts this year and will donate \$ for it.

Christy R.- All Star Equestrians is having Tallmadge FD come out to the Fairgrounds at 7pm May 13.

Would like to invite anyone from any club to come out for it.

Dee C.- Kitra is looking for a ride to Youth Show on Thursday.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00