

The October meeting of the Adams County Horse & Pony Project was called to order at 2:10 on October 9 at the Adams Community Room. In attendance were 8 members and 10 parents/leaders. The pledges were led by the youth. The President welcomed everyone to the new 4-H year.

Treasurer report—There is \$ 2868.53 in the bank with three outstanding bills to be paid.

Secretary report—A card thanking the Project for the sponsorships sent in this year was received from the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association.

The minutes from the May 2016 meeting were approved on a motion by Lauren Prellwitz and second by Mikaila Falasch.

Recap of the summer activities—

Discussion of the poor condition of the arena ground—Research into better footing yielded an estimate that was too expensive. Tony Sindelar has volunteered to disc the ground and kill the weeds. Karen Torgerson moved and Mikaila Falasch seconded that Tony be authorized to apply herbicide to the arena if legally permissible and permitted by the Fair Board and then disc the arena before the show season next year. Motion Carried (MC)

Activities for the new year—ideas were accepted for activities for the 2016-17 Show year. They included:

- Making a canvas “backdrop” similar to the sign at the Fairgrounds that could be taken to state horse shows. Gretchen Sindelar and Rafferty Dresen will investigate how to accomplish this.
- Having High Point with prizes for classes; Fun Show 1 would be during the Fair
- Keep the Fun Show 2 in August
- Have practice night at the Fairgrounds for members to bring their horses and work together
- Buddy System matching older youth to new members to help them learn leadership and to help new members learn what to do.
- Clinics—
 - Sarah Novatny—on Showmanship, Horsemanship, doing patterns --Karen was asked to check with her when she sees her at the 4-H Horse Leaders Conference.
 - Going over the state website
 - Going over the Guidelines
 - Meetings to discuss specifics and expectations before state events

End of year event—Ideas for the end of year event were discussed along with Service Project ideas. Hayrides and Water park were offered. Service project focused on doing care packages and cards for service men and women. Lilly Radzikinas moved and Lauren Prellwitz seconded that the end of year event be a service on Nov. 6 at 2:00 when the members will make cards and enjoy treats. Everyone was urged to bring materials for card making. Members who cannot attend will be able to provide cards for a meeting credit. MC

Elections—

Vice-President—Renata Prelwitz was nominated for VP by Jody Henry and seconded by Mikaila Falasch. No other nominations being heard, Renata was unanimously elected.

Secretary—Gretchen Sindelar was nominated for Secretary by Mikaila Falasch and seconded by Jody Henry. No other nominations being heard, Gretchen was unanimously elected

Youth Board—The following members were nominated for the Youth Board:

Mikaila Falasch	Corrin Henry
Lauren Prelwitz	Brice Henry
Emma Hamilton	Lilly Radzkinas
Lizzy Sindelar	Connor Casper

Mikaila, Lauren, Corrin, Brice and Lilly were elected by ballot.

Meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 3:24.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Torgerson

Approved: _____ Feb. 12, 2017