

Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council  
Meeting Minutes for August 21, 2023

Call to order at 6:30 pm, pledges said.

In attendance: Jessica- Best of Times, Harley- Best of Times, Evelyn- Best of Times, Ariel- Phantom Riders, Rachel- Phantom Riders, Donna- Phantom Riders, Andrea- Country Pride, Chris- Country Pride, Emelia- Country Pride, Daniel- Country Pride, Tracie-WSU Extension.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion by Rachel, second by Daniel. All in favor. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: The end of July statement balance is \$5847.91. There are outstanding checks for judge's fees and meals.

Extension Report: Tracie updated us on the current Extension calendar. Club Kick-offs will begin in September with the preferred attendance option being in person with Tracie and peers. Nominations for Awards and Year pins information is due September 15<sup>th</sup>.

General Council: A reminder that the 4-H year will start October 1!

Fun Activity: Jessica hosted a game where we had to guess a fact about each other. Next month Andrea will do the fun activity.

Old business:

A: State Fair Decorations- We are still needing to purchase the magnets, poles, and clamps for the stall décor for State. Jessica and Andrea will get together at the office this week and double check the counts on what is needed. The boards will be changed slightly since all the metal Andrea can find is not magnetic. She may paint with chalkboard paint for now and attach the names differently. Also, the knobs that we used originally are either not in stock or not on sale any longer, so we chose other ones from Amazon.

B: Recap/review of GHC Fair- Rachel brought up the need to have a plan for when a rider must be disciplined and how to outline that for future years. Rachel also started a discussion of having a rider bring more than one horse in a discipline and how that may look going forward. Further discussion has been tabled to next month's meeting for options on how this could be accomplished. We also talked about possibly not attending the livestock meeting since it was not held in the way it was promised this year and bringing back judging as an optional class for our Equine youth.

C: Recognition and Awards: Emelia Conley will be awarded a check from the GH Mounted Posse for her Record Book this year. Additionally, both Harley Quimby and Emelia qualified for the Outstanding Gamer award and will be awarded belt buckles. Jessica had recent success with a company online named Molly's, so she will look there for possible options.

D: Possible Education Opportunity- Andrea has a question about a possible clinic opportunity in to Terri Carl. Steve Rother is coming in November to the Fairgrounds, and he sometimes will host an evening for local youth at a reduced cost.

New Business:

a: State Fair Preparations

- I. Jackets- We as 4-H leaders had been talking about starting the tradition of State Team jackets again. We have found a vendor (Dirt Don't Hurt) who can make the jackets for \$60 total. Ariel made a motion that the Horse Council purchase and pay for the jackets with the families reimbursing 1/3 of the cost (\$20). Donna seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm

Next meeting will be September 11, 6:30 PM