

Grays Harbor 4-H Horse Council  
Meeting Minutes for February 5, 2024

Call to order at 6:35 pm, pledges said.

In attendance: Jessica- Best of Times, Rachel- Phantom Riders, Donna- Phantom Riders, Andrea- Country Pride, Raelene-Country Pride, Jessica- Country Pride, Meliisa Vining.

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

Treasurer's Report: No expenses or income for January. Current balance is \$3620.79.

Extension Report: Andrea gave a quick update on Extension.

Upcoming Dates: Andrea gave a quick run through on the upcoming calendar. The Extension office will be closed on President's Day.

General Council: Jessica mentioned that the General Council has been working on the planning for an upcoming Bingo fundraiser. .

Fun Activity: No fun activity this month. Jessica will do the activity next month.

Old business:

A: Schedule plans for the new 4-H year:

- i. Dates for Hairly Horse Series and Pre-fair are April 6 &7, May 11 &12, and June 29 & 30.
- ii. Evening Ride Nights will be held July 8-11 on the usual night schedule.

B: Conex- Andrea spoke with Dan today and he is going to be making a bulk order for the supplies for the roof. He mentioned using some Joe Kropf funds to help with this project.

C: Showmanship Clinic- We are hoping to hold two Showmanship clinics here at the Cow Arena in February and March. Jessica has been having a hard time getting a hold of the fairgrounds scheduler and will continue to work on dates.

D: Finalized show/clinic registration forms- the current forms just need a couple of quick updates to be able to publish with Tracie.

E: Updated bank account signers- Rae has been added as a signer at Timberland and Jessica, Andrea, Rae, and Tracie now all have debit cards for council purchases.

F: Safety/Tack meeting for parents, volunteers, and members- This will be held at the March mandatory meeting. Rachel will be speaking and showing examples of correct/incorrect tack and will also be addressing proper helmet fitting. Jessica will be bringing gaming tack and Rachel will bring performance tack as needed. We will meet on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 to create a syllabi for the evening.

E: GHC Fair:

- i. The fair dates are July 31- August 3. Haul in will be July 30.
- ii. Class schedule- Class schedule was finalized at the January meeting.
- iii. Exhibitor Guide updates- We reviewed the Exhibitor Guide as a group this evening. No changes need to be made at this time.

- iv. FairEntry updates- Carrie Holcomb will be helping us add additional subcategories for age groups for the different classes to help us keep youth in better order for those who don't know everyone.

New Business:

A: Fair Décor- We talked about using some of the empty space and creating a display board that our 4-H youth can paint with the different themes from year to year and re-use. Andrea made a motion for the Horse Council to purchase a piece of plywood and painting supplies, Donna seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

B: Red and green ribbon discussion- While reviewing the Exhibitor Guide, Andrea was trying to think of a better way to get those horses who may need a red ribbon for safety reasons ready before an incident happens. The council discussed and agreed that handing out red or green ribbons at the Vet Check at Fair. For the upcoming shows, we will have ribbons pre-cut and laid out for pick up at check in.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 pm

Next meeting will be March 4th, 6:30 PM. This is a mandatory meeting for all club leaders.