

## Summit County 4-H Saddle Horse Association

April 21, 2011

### Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by President Judi Adams. The 4-H Pledge was recited. Roll call of clubs showed no representation from Junior Leaders. Minutes from the March 17, 2011, meeting were distributed. **MOTION:** Brian Petroff made a motion to accept the minutes are presented. Sara Justice seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Teresa Sondles presented the treasurer's report. The current bank balance is \$31,574.48. Funds deposited for the Ad Book were \$14,770. Total income from the Ad Book to date is \$16,355. Bills for \$204.62 (office supplies – Carla Kline), \$98.50 (Horse Bowl awards to Hodges Badge – Ms. Justice) were presented. Ms. Justice also presented the current bill for Network Solutions, Inc., for the association's internet site: one year will cost \$129.49 and a three-year subscription will cost \$364.57, a savings of \$23.90. **MOTION:** Mike Hawsman made a motion to opt for the three-year subscription at \$364.57. Dale Freeland seconded the motion. Motion passed. Bills totaled \$667.69. **MOTION:** Mr. Hawsman made a motion to pay the bills. Ms. Justice seconded the motion. Motion passed.

A grievance concerning Kaitlin Doney's request to ride walk/trot for a third year was heard. **MOTION:** Jacki Sampsel made a motion to approve Miss Doney's request for medical reasons with the stipulation that she not be eligible for a high point award. Mr. Hawsman seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Donations for the Reddi family were accepted.

Extension Office report: Ms. Sondles reported all information concerning the horse clubs had been entered. All advisors were asked to check the information concerning their clubs.

Committee reports – *Ad Book:* Work was put on-hold because of two bounced checks. Both have been paid. Liz Bennett hopes to have the books for the next association meeting. *Website:* Many items are being posted. *Project Award:* The award is being promoted and applications are available and due June 1. *Scholarship:* Sue Shutte asked to change the deadline to the June association meeting. **MOTION:** Ms. Sampsel made a motion to leave the deadline at June 1. Mary Ellen Low seconded the motion. Motion passed. The application will be posted on the website. *Ribbons & Trophies:* Ribbons and trophies for the open show series, Competitive Trail and Horse Bowl have been ordered to get the 15 percent discount. The first bill will be for \$4,725.26 which is less than last 2010. It was reported that a majority of the clubs are in favor of recycled trophies and do not want picture frames. The 4-Hers would even like gift cards for first place. The trophies to be recycled should be recent ones. This will be considered for next year. *Rotating Trophies:* Mrs. Low and Chris Capatosto proposed amending the rule that prohibited family members from donating rotating trophies while a family member still competes as a 4-Her. The amendment would prohibit only immediate family members from donating rotating trophies while a family member still competes as a 4-Her, not the extended family. **MOTION:** Ms. Kline made a motion to amend the rule as stated. Mr. Hawsman seconded the motion. Motion passed. *Fair Board:* All information for the 2011 Summit County Fair is available on Fair Board's website including wristband requirements and booth information. Booth information is due to Fair Board by June 1. *Judges:* All contracts have been returned. Some patterns have been sent while others will come through email. *Sunshine:* Mrs. Low send a card to Jim Wheeler and family on the loss of his father. She also sent a get well card to Diane Justice. *Maintenance:* Stall set-up for this year will be on May 22, 2011, at noon. The barn is ready with all the hoses, etc., having been checked and connected. On the clean-up day, there will be painting to do as well as cleaning up and mowing. Mr. Petroff will get the prices on paint/stain. *Open Show:* Show bills and duty assignments are available. Joanni Hedderick said those wishing to

serve as ring master/mistress must be 14-years-old or older and must dress appropriately. Those working the gates during contest classes must be 16-years-old or older and must meet with the judge before classes begin. *Competitive Trail*: The Summit County ride will be held at the Brecksville Stables of the Cleveland Metroparks on May 21, 2011, at 10 a.m. The applications will be on the website. They may be returned to Dee Casteel by email or US Postal Service. They are due by the May association meeting. Volunteers are needed for the ride and need to be on-site by 9 a.m. Juniors are 9-13 but at the state trail ride, juniors are 11-13. Ms. Casteel thanked Ms. Justice for her work with the Horse Bowl teams. *PAS/State Qualifier*: Applications are due June 1. The Summit County PAS Show will be open to other counties in a cost-savings effort for all. Chris Wokojance said all classes will be offered if they are requested. *Horse Camp*: The May 8, 2011, meeting will be cancelled because of a conflict with Mother's Day. Rescheduling will be discussed with members at the Fuzzy Show on April 30, 2011. The show bill is on the website. *Groom & Clean*: Three judges for the Sunday, July 31, 2011, contest are being sought. *Dressage*: Everything is in place for Dressage to be held on Wednesday, July 27, 2011. *Fair*: The committee would like to purchase bagged sawdust from Ed Rohr. There will be one 80-pound bag per person and the bags cost \$5.50 each. It will cost about \$1,000 to get enough bags of sawdust for fair. Delivery is \$15 per skid. Most association members were in favor of the bagged sawdust because of the waste of the piles of sawdust that frequently get rained on and wet during fair. Ms. Kline asked all advisors to read the rules to their club members because the rules which will be read on Monday evening of fair have been pared down. Fair packets are available and are due on June 1 though they may be turned in at the May association meeting. The advisors' page must be turned in completed with the clubs' paperwork and extras will be available. If horses are being leased, the lease forms must be turned in with all the other paperwork. All forms are available on the website. *Rules*: Final readings of the 2011 rules and by-laws were completed. Changes in the by-laws were read first with one change. **MOTION**: Bob McWhirter made a motion to return the protest fee less any cost incurred if the protest is upheld. Mrs. Shutte seconded the motion. Motion passed. **MOTION**: Mr. Freeland made a motion to accept the by-laws as amended for 2011. Mr. Petroff seconded the motion. Motion passed. Changes in the rules were read last with one correction on which the association voted. **MOTION**: Mr. McWhirter made a motion to amend F-15 to say "The project may return as allowed by Fair Board." Ms. Kline seconded the motion. Motion passed. **MOTION**: Mr. McWhirter made a motion to turn down the proposed changes. Ms. Kline seconded. The motion was withdrawn. **MOTION**: Cathy McWhirter made a motion to review the rules in seriatim (in a series, one after another in regular order). Ms. Kline seconded the motion. A show of hands showed three yeas and 18 nays. **MOTION**: Mr. Freeland made a motion to approve the rules as amended. Mr. Petroff seconded the motion. A show of hands showed 17 yeas and four nays. Motion passed.

Old business - > The Valentine's Show books were reconciled for Fair Board. The association will pay \$309.41 to Fair Board for the show; this is the monies collected minus half of the expenses. > The treasurer's books were audited on March 15, 2011, and no irregularities were found. > Six clubs' rosters are still needed for volunteer hour tracking. > The club which will be doing the stall cleaning at the July 16-17, 2011, show would like an extra 50 cents per stall. A voice vote was taken and the increase was approved. > Dr. Doug Hasbrouck will no longer be the fair vet. Dr. Mike Cinotti has been asked to take over this position.

**MOTION**: Mr. Hawsman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Jean Meade, Secretary  
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