

Executive Board Meeting Minutes - Unapproved

January 9, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Ann Goers.

Lillian Sievers moved to approve the secretary's minutes and was seconded by Mirielle Smith. Motion passed.

Reports:

Adult Leader's Treasurer's report was given by Correna Storkson. Ending Balance of November 2024: \$45,470.62. Ending Balance of December 2024: \$55,297.91. Emily Goers moved to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Mirielle Smith. Motion passed.

Educator Update: Extension Staff Transitions & Opportunities

- Extension Office Manager & Office Specialist
- Student Assistant – Summer part-time position; inquire with Sam for more info
- AmeriCorps Summer Position – 450 hours, lead summer 4-H clubs, apply by 1/24
- Summer Intern – 12-13 weeks (28-30 hrs/wk) – Lead yth programs, apply by 1/24

Business:

1. Raising & Managing 4-H Funds

- Dawn Smith moved to approve the Decatur 4-H Club mini-grant request of \$125. Seconded by Tyler Sievers. Motion passed.
- Tyler Sievers moved to approve the \$100 special funding request by Mirielle Smith. Seconded by Katy Dickson. Motion passed.
- Proposal for 4-H Adult Leaders Association on allocation of 2024 donations from Colony Brands (\$3,383.80) and Heidi's Happy Acres (\$1,600.00).
 - i. Katy Dickson moved to allocate \$2300 to the Club mini-grants (\$5/youth per club) and leave the rest (\$2,683.80) in the general fund. Seconded by Mara Dickson. Motion Passed.

2. County Level Programs & Committees

- 4-H (& BTC) Project Day – April 5 (morning) – Need presenters & room monitors
- 4-H Scholarship & Award Interviews – March 19 – Need 4-H & non-4-H interviewers
- 4-H Communication Contest – February 21 – Need 1-2 judges

3. Organizational Planning

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- 2024-2025 4-H Adult Leaders Charter Application & Program Goals
 - i. Program Quality
 - We will offer a new project exploration activity that will cover at least 3 project areas before July 1, 2025.
 - Cadiz Springs walk-in project day. May 10, 2025. Should get a confirmation after 1/15/25 from the DNR as to if this will happen.
 - a. Alternative locations to possibly consider would be: HeadGate Park outside of Brodhead
 - b. Kiwanis Youth Cabin
 - c. Monticello Park
 - ii. Expand Access
 - Introduce 4-H to new youth by partnering with at least 1 organization on a joint event before July of 2025.
 - Maybe do something with Monroe Park and Rec.
 - a. There was some pushback about needing to get parent approval of group/event. If there were any objections, we couldn't be there. They need 2 months' advance notice.
 - b. Potentially partner with Green County Ameri Corp person on the summer 4-H club experience.
 - iii. Discuss ways to engage other youth and adults to avoid burnout.
 - Will discuss at next month's meeting
 - iv. Discuss ideas for creating project kits for clubs to check out.
 - Will discuss at next month's meeting

Future agenda topics for the joint Junior & Adult Leaders executive board meeting are:

- Nothing new
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The next Executive Board Meeting will be Monday, February 3, 2025 @ 6:15pm – Zoom only

Emily Goers moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dawn Smith. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.

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Submitted by: Dawn Smith

Attendees:

- Ann Goers
- Katy Dickson
- Mara Dickson
- Milo Dickson
- Lillian Sievers
- Emily Goers
- Debbie Myers
- Mirielle Smith
- Dawn Smith
- Correna Storkson
- Tyler Sievers
- Ellen Andrews