

**Mat-Su Copper River 4-H District Horse Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**8/7/2025**

**I. Call Meeting to order 5:46PM**

**II. Roll Call for minutes:**

Agent: Samantha Blumenkonig; Pres: Sarah Rodriguez (via zoom), VP: Colette Cook, Secretary: Stephanie Haase, Members: Kyrie Cook, Natiley Robinson, Bobbi Walrath, Kabella Tubbs, Liz Post

**III. Amend/adopt agenda**

Stephanie H moved to accept the amended agenda. Colette seconded.

**IV. Announcements** Marla sent out patterns for State Show CW will be providing lunches for participants again this year (paid for by state), check with Marla to see if Breakfasts are also included.

**V. Persons to be heard** None

**VI. Secretary Report**

Need to amend last meeting minutes to reflect the correct date of the meeting. (7/1/2025), otherwise, minutes accepted as written.

**VII. Treasure Report**

See separate report attached for balances. Sonna will be back this weekend and do a supply run next Wednesday.

**VIII. Agent Report**

- Static fair entries are due Wed. 13th for non-perishable and the 20th for perishable items. Enter through the red gate to drop off.
- 4-H age will be determined by 4-H year
- There was a shooting sports leader training and now we have 5 leaders trained up!
- Thanks to VLA there have been some exciting Tull building upgrades.
- Premiums will be available for all projects (incl horse and crafts/baking).
- 6th Ave Outfitters have boots again for all grand and reserve champs (all projects)

**IX. Club Reports: S&S – Had meeting Aug 1st**

**X. Unfinished Business**

A. Fair

- a. Belt Buckles - Sarah will follow up with sponsors
- b. Sponsor signs
  - i. Ordered except for new ones
- c. Passes needed

- i. Adult leader passes (Sierra will get us 4 including parking passes)
- ii. Need to buy tickets for Chuckwagon workers without season passes- early next week
- iii. State show passes for kids out of our district and parents should be provided by Marla.

B. Chuckwagon

- a. Freezer, Stephanie H moved to purchase a freezer not to exceed \$500 before fair starts. Natiley seconded. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.
- b. CW orientation will be August 12th at 6:30PM
- c. Bobbi suggests conducting "surprise" inspections so kids are more comfortable with their jobs and having adults overseeing their procedures.
- d. Check in with Sonna on checklists and cheat sheets to be laminated and placed at CW stations.
- e. Stephanie B will oversee getting the General Store ready and cleaned up.
- f. State Show
  - i. Sarah will be in charge of stall assignments
  - ii. Awards are squared away
  - iii. Sarah will print out CW meal tickets for show participants only lunch will be provided
  - iv. Samantha will handle ticket dispersal for show and chuckwagon with Sonna and Colette providing names for workers.

C. Awards Night

- a. We can repurpose old ribbons and trophies.
  - i. Mentor
  - ii. Superior Record Book
  - iii. Horse 4-Her of the Year
  - iv. Nationals Team
  - v. State Horse Contest Teams
  - vi. Volunteer/Community Service Member of the Year
  - vii. Sportsmanship
  - viii. Biggest Growth
  - ix. Herdsmanship
- b. Jumping clinic this winter with Jaimie or Jennifer? Looks like lot's of interest just need to plan.

D. 4-H & Friends Events

- a. Why don't we do them? We have in the past and it became difficult with the behavior of the "and friends" since we don;t have a ton of control of folks not actively in our clubs.

E. Good of the Order

- a. Samantha will follow up on the online rulebook to get the latest version posted.
- b. We may want to send out a questionnaire for feedback on clinics, events, and volunteering, like we have done in year's past.

- c. Kabella wanted to see about creating a bridge between 4-H and Kid's Kupboard. The owner is looking to help the 4-H community by offering land to grow projects on in exchange for help. Kabella will share contact info with Stephanie H.

**Next Meeting: Sept. 4th 5:45PM @ CES**

**XIV. Adjourn 6:55PM PM**

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Treasurer's Report  
August 1, 2025

**Balance as of July 31, 2025**

Checking: \$2728.86  
Savings: \$225.39  
Money Market: \$15,146.31  
Pay Pal: \$2029.86  
Cash on Hand: \$150.00

**Checking Account Balance: \$2728.86**

1. \$3750.00 in expenses. (Camp Costs, CW Summer, Trail Tr. Ctr, District Show, checks.)
2. \$2278.28 in deposits. (Summer events, District Fees, )
3. \$1970.10 deposit - Sponsorship
4. \$.19 dividend earned

**Savings Account Balance: \$225.39**

1. No change from last month

**Money Market Account Balance: \$15,146.31**

1. \$7.08 earned in interest
2. \$5000 of this is designated for scholarships
3. \$5000 of this is designated for Chuck Wagon start-up costs

**PayPal Account Balance: \$2029.96**

1. \$815.00 deposit for Trail Trials in June
2. \$1000.00 - Sponsor
3. \$62.98 paid in fees
4. 1451.77 transferred to checking (970.10 sponsor, 481.67 cover exp for TR/CTR)

**Cash on Hand: \$150.00**

1. \$150.00 petty cash for Chuck Wagon