

Mat-Su Copper River 4-H District Horse Council

Meeting Agenda

3/6/2025

I. Call Meeting to order 5:48PM

II. Pledges

III. Roll Call for minutes: Agent: Samantha, Pres: Sarah Rodriguez, VP: Colette Cook, Secretary: Stephanie Haase, Members: Stephanie Bakk, Jason Bakk, Marianne Bakk, Ayla Bakk, Bobbi Walrath, Kabella Tubbs, Natiley Robinson, Kyrie Cook, Lexi Malone, Lydia Hanson

IV. Amend/adopt agenda Stephanie H moved to adopt agenda including persons to be heard, Lexi seconded. Agenda adopted.

V. Announcements None

VI. Persons to be heard (Must sign up on the sheet before the meeting and is limited to 2 minutes)

Stephanie H: want to communicate with state horse folks that it would be nice to have a “focus” each year that kids can prep for for the shows. Sarah suggested Stephanie drafting an email to Marla.




Colette wanted to discuss more collaboration with Pony Club. Suggestions were having pony club do a presentation at one of our HC meetings and having us present at a PC meeting, having a social where we all get together, and doing or offering our clinics as combined (using both insurances) activities to help bolster comradery, community connections, and save on extra planning. Bobbi did make note that PC does not seem to be seeking new members at this time.

Bobbi wanted to know if we could have Zooms for our meetings and mentioned needing an updated calendar Sam said now that she is back in the office Zooms should be back up and running. Stephanie H needs to update calendar and get it out.

Stephanie B wanted to know about the purpose of donated tack, how can we ensure that our 4-Hers get first dibs at tack as that is often the intention of those donating? Sarah explained that is the intent but lack of manpower has prevented us from being able to set up our 4-H building in that manner. Stephanie B volunteered to manage the 4-H building updating the décor and arranging tack for our 4-Hers.

VII. Secretary Report January minutes have been corrected, and February minutes have been posted.

VIII. Treasure Report

Accounts Overview				
+ Add new certificate Show hidden accounts Edit hidden accounts Manage Account Grouping				
Account summary \$18,042.43 total				
Ungrouped Accounts \$18,042.43 total				
	MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT / MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT XX163 - S:20 - Savings	\$15,111.41	\$15,111.41	- \$1,993.32
		available		In the last month
	SHARE DRAFT ACCOUNT / SHARE DRAFT ACCOUNT XX163 - S:77 - Checking	\$2,711.49	\$2,711.49	+ \$932.62
		available		In the last month
	PRIMARY SHARE ACCOUNT / PRIMARY SHARE ACCOUNT XX163 - S:99 - Savings	\$219.53	\$194.53	\$0.00
		available		Since last login

IX. Agent Report Scholarship available for collegebound individuals, \$2500 and \$1500 contact Sam for more info on that. INDICA statement has been updated again, make sure we check with Sam before we send out any public facing documents. MatSu is hosting the State Livestock Competition the last weekend of May is anyone would like to volunteer they will need judges. April 19th is the District Presentation Contest, Zsuites Registration for that should go live next week. Sam will check on the times for presentations (there were different times listed for Horse, District, and State competitions, we should align them all).

X. Club Reports KRR – meeting tomorrow night, Elsa will be going over what to have in a first aid kit and then they will have a record book clinic. **S&S** – Meeting tomorrow night will have a guest farrier presentation on how to fit for hoof boots and basic spring hoof care followed by business meeting.

XI. Unfinished Business

A. Scholarship Info Out – Stephanie brought last year's scholarship paperwork, just need to fix a couple of typos, add amounts for the scholarships and the new INDICA statement and they should be ready to go!

XII. New Business

A. State Horse Contest

- 1. Adult Chaperones:** Sarah, Collette, Lexi has permission to drive herself, Bakks will travel and stay on their own as a family, Tarin is still a maybe?
- 2. Lodging?** Sarah will get info on a VRBO so she can get totals ready for participants ASAP.
- 3. Food?**
- 4. Teams** Registration will be on Zsuites
- 5. District sweatshirt/T-shirt order?** Sarah will check with Silvertip to get MSCR shirts for Horse Contest. Members expressed interest in having a bigger variety of options (pants, etc.) Stephanie H. has a t-shirt press and can make things at cost, Sam mentioned that the 4-H office had cricut machines that can be borrowed. For future swag. Teams will decide on their own for competition shirts.

B. Vaccine/EIA Clinic

- 1. May 9 tentative date** Starting at noon
- 2. Leaders will give sign up genius code**
 - a) Must have updated record book checked by leader
 - b) If kiddos didn't complete project last year will not qualify (not kiddos new to 4-H)

C. Alana Sunday 4-H Clinics Survey showed Sundays preferred. Plans for the clinic focuses: Show prep, reading and executing patterns, dressage. There is a oreference for the indoor @ flying horse. Sarah will contact flying horse to see if that is an option, if so, we will do the 1st and 3rd Sundays at Alana's and the 2nd and 4th Sundays @ Flying Horse. Times will be 2-4PM and will only be one session unless we have sign-ups that warrant breaking into two.

D. 4-H CTR Change of date June 13-14, with BCHA The 13th will be an overnight @ Alana's with the BCHA hosting a trail trial ride of approx. 6miles the next day, trails around Jim Creek area. Concerns over kids being prepared and understanding how to

camp with their horses, Sarah suggested a joint meeting with both clubs @ her farm in April to go over horse camping and conditioning all together. Lexi volunteered her dad to help with trail set up. Sarah will put together training logs for conditioning. Lydia suggested NATRC as a resource for camping supply lists etc. Camping will NOT be required the trail trials can be done on their own as a one day event. The second trail should be sometime in July at Julia Schirack's.

XIII. Comments/questions

XIV. Adjourn 6:59PM

Camp Committee Meeting

A. Junior Camp Committee Members: Stephanie B & Liz Post

1. Expectation is about 5-7 kids
2. Will probably need 2-3 counselors, we will get applications out ASAP so they can be chosen.
3. Stephanie and Liz would like to know if we have a list of camp rules and expectations, or a safety checklist of some kind. Lydia suggested the CHA book as a resource.
4. Camp forms look great so far, need to nail down price.
5. Let Liz know the cost for Alana as a clinician

B. Senior Camp Committee Members: Sarah, Stephanie H, Colette, Sonna

1. What clinics would the seniors like to see?
 - a. reined cow horse
 - b. ranch trail
 - c. ranch riding
 - d. English -Sarah Weidman possibly?
 - e. how to transition from snaffle to curb
 - f. presentation on saddle fit (white horn saddlery?)
 - g. Leather earring making
2. Lydia suggested having riders grouped by level the first day. This will mean more clinicians but offer better safety and education for all riders.
3. We will need a parent in charge of food...the Malone's??
4. Applications need to be finalized

Concerns about kids who just come to camp and nothing else. Stephanie H suggested we charge more for camp this year and offer a significant discount to kids who completed a horse project the previous year (\$100). All seemed in favor of this idea. Sarah will rework the wording of the camp form to include this.