The meeting of the Marion County 4-H Council was held on Sunday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office.

The meeting was called to order by President Ashley Peters. The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were recited and roll call was answered by 8 youth, 7 adults, 1 guest and Extension Agents Tristen Cope and Ricky Roberts. Roll call was taken by verbally responding to the question “What is your favorite 4H project experience?”

The January minutes were read by Secretary Karsen Kroupa. The minutes were approved with an amendment to correct a typing error; Sarah {need last name} made the motion, and Ruby Shaver seconded.

Communications: There were no new communications presented. Clubs were called upon to share recent events, activities, and meeting ideas that may be helpful to others. Peabody recently hosted a ceramics class and has held food meetings via zoom. South Cottonwood is hosting a Krispy Kreme donut fundraiser. Lincolnville enjoys skating parties. Goessel has been busy decorating doors at a local long-term care facility. The Happy Hustlers hosted a lock-in and put together goody baskets. (Tampa was not called upon, but donates towards Angel Tree projects and runs summer concessions for the Tampa Ball Association.)

The financial report was presented by Treasurer Noah Schmidt. The 4H Council December 31, 2021 balance was $11,715.67. Income of $5,619.25 was received, expenses of $1064.61 were incurred, which left the balance of $16,270.31 on March 15, 2022. Noah broke down balances by category as part of the financial report; a motion to approve was made by Athena Funk and seconded by Noah Schmidt.

Committee Reports were presented as follows:

Ricky reported that the Spring Beef Show will be held on March 27, 2022. Registration was available on the Chisholm Trail website.

Tristen is encouraging participation in upcoming meetings regarding Fair Awards. Anyone is welcome to give input and should contact Tristen with interest.

Unfinished (Old) business was discussed as follows:

No unfinished business was presented.

New Business was discussed as follows:

Hooves in the Air at the Marion County Fair will be the 2022 theme for the Marion County Fair, which is being held on Saturday, July 16 - Saturday, July 23, 2022. A draft of the proposed
schedule was shared. There was discussion regarding the dog show, poultry education and a chick scramble, fair set-up, and fair books; however, no action was taken on these items.

The Friends of 4H event was revisited by 4H Council members; feedback on serving ice cream/baked goods was gathered and discussion was held about returning to a meal. The labor needed for preparing and serving a meal is of ongoing concern. No final action was taken on this matter.

Council was updated on 4-H Building renovations. This project is being funded through the 4-H Development Fund, Marion County Commissioners, and the City of Hillsboro. An HVAC system is to be in place by 2023 and a remodel of the restrooms and kitchen will also take place.

Committee Members are needed for the 2022 Achievement Banquet Planning Committee. Council and club members are encouraged to contact Tristan if interested.

The next 4-H Council Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ruby and Athena seconded.

Minutes taken by: Karsen Kroupa