



PORTER COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

January 31, 2024



Officers	Tammy Cox	President	Morgan Hustling Hoosiers
	Meagan Ferguson	Vice President	Discovery Trackers
	Justin Higer	Secretary	At Large
	Bob Wichlinski	Treasurer	At Large
Others	Ryan Wilson	At Large	Liberty Sunsetters
	Cyndi Morgan	Superintendent	Liberty Sunsetters
	Ryan Schillmiller	Leader Rep	Hebron Boone Busters
	Scott Krzyzanowski	Superintendent	
	Lauren Kessler	Member Rep	Center Wildcats
	Christi Otey	Parent Rep	Morgan Hustling Hoosiers
	Denise Schroeder	Area Director	Purdue Extension
	Rachel Jackson	At Large	Cente Wildcats
	Darrell Keller	At Large	
	Heather Compton	Leader Rep	Jackson Volunteers
	Jennifer Myers	Extension Educator	

1. CALL TO ORDER Tammy Cox, 1/31/24 – 7:00
2. PLEDGES
 - American: Bob Wichlinski
 - 4-H: Ryen Schillmiller
 - Observed moment of silence for Don Bloom
3. MINUTES APPROVAL Suspended reading of minutes until next meeting – Approved.
Email out to people who have attended the meeting.
4. TREASURER'S REPORT Budget will be presented during new business
5. EXTENSION REPORTS
 - a. JUNIOR LEADERS None
 - b. AG SOCIETY: Fair budget was approved – Some improvements needed for horse & pony barn/arena & 4-H building repairs to roof
 - c. EXTENSION BOARD: None
 - d. EXTENSION EDUCATOR: Jennifer presented the enrollments that we currently have enrolled.
Scholarships discussed: 5 seniors have applied for senior scholarship (IN 4-H) & additional for club & Achievement
Jennifer introduced Area 10 & 9 director, Denise Schroeder

- e. COMMITTEE REPORTS – Motion to Approve all Reports: Cyndi Morgan with Second by Darrell Keller
 - i. EXECUTIVE: Tammy discussed our exec meeting: Trophies/ribbons & how we can have a successful fair.
 - ii. AWARDS: Jeff Weitzel is stepping down because daughter is a Senior. Darrel Keller will now chair the awards committee. Bob Wichlinski will co-chair
 - iii. BUDGET: In new business
 - iv. CONSTITUTION: Committee assignments will be done in new business
 - v. RULES COMMITTEE: All are updated in the new handbook with Superintendent names & phone numbers
 - vi. WAYS & MEANS: Right now we do not currently have ways & means

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Assign Committee sheets
 - i. Will we add rules for committees, ie attendance requirements
 - ii. Awards: Darrell Keller Chair & Bob Wichlinski
 - iii. Constitution: Co-chairs Meagan & Justin Higer
 - iv. Budget Committee: Chair – Bob Wichlinski, inviting others
 - v. Rules Committee: Tammy Cox
 - vi. How many people should be on each committee? Decided: 6 membes and chair

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Committee Assignments – Awards and Constitution
- b. 2024 Budget – Bob Wichlinski presenting Budget for 2024 (Rep. from 2023).
 - i. Bob presents cuts to balance budget
 - ii. Bob suggests approving budget as is and working with actual expenditures as they come. Enough money in accounts to continue operations for a short while for the 2024 fair.
 - iii. Motion to approve budget as is for 2024 with goal of moving to more informed and balanced budget: Motion by Cyndi Morgan to approve with Second by Heather Compton: Approved as working budget from 2023 for 2024 – no opposition.
 - 1. Further discussion Jennifer: YQCA or 4-H quality care option... 188 completed: No longer being paid for by Council – leaving in budget for operating
- c. Building Improvements: Motion to suspend indefinitely purchase of display cases & stanchions- Motion by Cyndi Mogan, Second by Ryan Wilson – All approved with no opposition
- d. Camp counselor discussion: Jennifer - Currently set for \$200 per kid for camp. Other counties (Laporte, starke, lake, Porter) are being subsidized by councils -

J. Jennifer suggests finding sponsorships for their \$200 if their family is unable and or having council make it the same as what the other counties are.

- i. Motion made by Ryan Wilson to offer \$50 subsidy for campers (\$150 paid by campers) Second by Darrell Keller. Motion approved with no opposition.

8. MAKING THE BEST BETTER: Thank you to Denise Schroeder for joining us and providing feedback and guidance from Purdue Extension

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9. CLOSING COMMENTS _____

10. NEXT MEETING March 19, 2024 @ 7 pm in Room 102A of the Porter County Administrative Building

11. ADJOURN: Motion by Chisti Otey and Second by Heather Compton