

Lake County 4-H Horse and Pony Committee Minutes  
March 6, 2025

Called to order and pledges at 6:33pm

Treasurer's report given by Jen Bisig

Once the insurance is paid, the profit from the mock show is \$600 or a little more.

The Secretaries Report is posted online and was reviewed by Jen Wilson. Denise made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Kristen. Motion carried

County News update was given by Kasey Wilhoit. Volunteer Development is March 18. 4-H Club Officer training is March 11, 12 participants are signed up. QLC Training is available. AI workshop is March 16. Team Leadership meeting is May 28-30 at the Gary Convention center, if we wanted to staff a table on the Horse and Pony Project. Geranium Fundraiser has started for the month of March.

Color guard and Drill Team: Call out meeting is set for March 10th, 6pm at the 4-H Building.

Committee reports:

Awards: Jennifer Bisig gave stated that the awards committee needs to meet and to begin planning for the upcoming events.

Education/Clinics: Mock Show is being planned see new business

Facebook: Jennifer Wilson gave a report asking how the communication has been since the last meeting. The committee asked that information be posted in both the actual event as well as on the main horse and pony page so that the members receive notifications.

Fair Schedule: The fair schedule committee needs to schedule a meeting to complete the fair schedule.

Fundraising: The tack swap was a success and profitable.

Judges: Have a list of judges to cycle through, at least a 2 or 3 year cycle, and get the information to Kasey Wilhoit.

Jumping: Looking at dates and open facilities to schedule two jumping clinics.

No other reports given

Old Business:

Tack Swap: went great, received good feedback from the vendors. Some feedback included: more vendors, live auction, hot food at the concession stand, larger area. Looking at dates in January of 2026.

Demo/Communications Project: Makeup for the horse and pony demonstration needs to be sent to Kasey at [kwilhoi@purdue.edu](mailto:kwilhoi@purdue.edu) the deadline is March 11 per the handbook.

Demo went well, had some feedback. Feedback included: sign on front doors/open door, cell phones away as they are a distraction, judges and timers need to be contacted in advance and have back ups in case of a cancellation, any accommodations need to be sent to the executive committee before the event, only having the horse and pony demonstration on that day and check in pushed back to 8:30 with presentations beginning at 9 am. The Executive Committee needs to meet with the 4-H educator to make sure the demo scorecard reflects the changes in requirements for demo and other rule changes. Added two judges to the judging list.

**Voted to extend the meeting by 30 minutes was called for by asst superintendent Christi Long, Denise made the motion and was seconded by Barb. Motion carried meeting was extended to 8pm.**

New Business:

Update on the Mock Show: Sunday, March 18 at Navajo Saddle Club in Kouts. It will be a later start time, possibly 10 or 11. Pre registration is required, only the registered 4-H horse and participant may attend. T-shirt ideas were discussed for those that are registered by May 1.

Update on Jumping clinics: 2 dates were discussed: a clinic in May with the Mock Show at Navajo and another date at Midwest. Jennifer Bisig is working on getting the clinics scheduled.

Club reports: (January and February)

Tails and Trails: Selling geraniums and completed demo. Next meeting is in April

Happy Wranglers: Valentines Day cards for nursing homes, selling butter braids and pretzels and geraniums, completed demo.

The Lone Rangers: NR

Saddles and Spurs: NR

Prairie Pioneers: NR

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm Lauren made the motion seconded by Denise.

Next meeting April 3, 2025 at 6:30pm.