

Independence 4-H Club October Minutes

The meeting of the Independence 4-H Club was called to order by Abbey Casey, President.

At: 6:38 **On:** 10-9-24 **At:** Sebastopol Center For The Arts

Flag Salute led by: Nicholas Bard

4-H Pledge led by: Dustyn Webb, and Stetson Webb

Guest count: 12

Program: We practiced making motions by making a motion potion.

Community Service: For the month of October the community service activity will be going to the Apple Valley Rehab Center in Sebastopol to hand out beaded bracelets. If you're feeling spooky, come wearing your Halloween costume! The event will be on October 28th, at 4:00pm. Our community service leader, Aidan Hobbins, wants to give a special thanks to all of you who brought old blankets to the monthly meeting to be donated to the shelter animals.

Review Of Minutes: A motion was made by Nicholas Bard to approve the minutes and seconded by Walter Tobler. It was passed by vote.

Treasurer's Report:

Month of October:

- \$0 in expenses
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- Closing balance of \$11,087.60

A motion was made by Nicholas Bard to approve the Treasurer's Report and was seconded by Dustyn Webb. It was passed by vote.

Correspondence: We sent a thank you letter to Screamin Mimi's for their collaboration and supply of gift cards to our prize bin. And we got sent a letter for the YAL Barbecue letting us know that the items we submitted in the auction were sold.

Healthy Living: For our healthy living activity Claire Pederson had us do an exciting experiment with vinegar filled water bottles, and baking soda filled balloons. When you mix them together, the vinegar reacts with the soda causing gas to rise up, and fill the balloon. It was

such a lively activity and I loved watching the different teams try to figure out what caused the reaction. After that we made glitter filled stress balls out of balloons. Claire Pederson talked about the causes of stress, and how to relieve it using a fidget.

CCC Announcement:

Lindsay announced the junior ambassador position. To be a junior ambassador you must be a club member who is 13 or older. A junior ambassador goes to CCC meetings and helps bring a younger voice into 4-H, on a county wide level. As a junior ambassador you will also get to help plan the 4-H spring carnival, and the events that we will be having. If you're interested in signing up please reach out to Lindsay.

Old Business:

Registration: Lindsay

Most people are already registered and ready for the new 4-H year, but there are a couple people still figuring out registration. If you haven't already registered for the projects you want to be in, please do so soon! Because most projects are filling up. If you are registered for a project, but aren't fully committed and won't be able to make it to meetings, please let the project leader know.

Achievement Night: Claire Pederson

Achievement night is coming up soon, on October 26th. It's going to be held at the YAL center in Rohnert Park. The theme this year is "4-H in Wonderland" so be sure to dress up! I love going to achievement night, it's one of my favorite 4-H events and always so much fun to come out and support all the different clubs.

Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser: Ash Hobbins

Our annual pumpkin patch fundraiser is coming up soon on October 27th! (Note: the date has changed from the 26th, to the 27th due to scheduling conflicts.) It will be at the Petaluma Pumpkin Patch. I've volunteered at the pumpkin patch for multiple years and it is always so much fun being out there, so be sure to sign up! If you have any questions, or you're interested in signing up and weren't able to at the meeting please send out an email. (ashhobbins229@gmail.com)

New business:

Goat tree cycling fundraiser: Hannah Van De Mark

The goat tree cycling fundraiser is coming up in January. Our goat tree fundraiser is one of our best fundraisers, and definitely a fan favorite. The goat tree fundraiser had club members drive around and pick up people's old Christmas trees and donations. We then bring them to be

fed to goats! The pine needles from the trees have a lot of nutrients, antioxidants and vitamin C in them. Which is great for the goats and not to mention, they love them!

Announcements:

Teams: We remade our teams

Ajournement: At: 7:37 pm On: 10-9-24

Nicholas Bard made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Walter Tobler seconded the motion. It was passed by vote.

Date: 9-16-24 **Signed:** _____