

**Tripp County 4-H Trust Fund Meeting**  
**January 22, 2018**  
**Tripp County 4-H Center**  
**7:00 pm**

The Tripp County 4-H Trust Fund called their annual meeting to order at 7:05 PM on January 22, 2018, at the Tripp County 4-H Center. Members present were Lynnelle Anderson, Scott Hollenbeck, Dawn Covey, Laura Kahler, Marie Condon, M.J. Waters, Debbie Steinke, Wyatt DeJong, Donna Kubik, Heather Heying, Nichi Brinda, & Theresa Harris.

**Secretary Report:**

Deb Steinke gave the Secretaries report from the January 30, 2017 Meeting, with one correction. The Correction being:

**Update on Invested Money in the Tripp County Community Foundation:**

Dawn went over the invested money with Tripp County Community Foundation, and explained to us their policy of when it would be available for us to use. We can draw out the earned interest after December 31, 2017 to use for 2017 scholarships, or whatever we decide to use the money for. **It can also rollover and be added to the principal amount invested. (Should be removed and replaced with): If we do not spend all the spendable amount, it stays in the fund as "Spendable" and earns the same interest as the investment.**

With this correction, Wyatt moved to accept the amended minutes, MJ 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Scott Hollenbeck gave the Treasurer's report:

Total Income for 2017:	<b>\$3,216.00</b>
Total Expenses for 2017:	<b>\$2351.00</b>
Checking Account balance 2017	\$2,592.82
Savings Account Balance:	\$14,721.37

Our Tripp County Community Foundation Investment is now at \$41,692.00.

Spendable about on the investment is \$1,589

Total Net Worth as of 12/31/17: \$59,006.19

Dawn moved to accept the treasurer's report and Laura seconded it and all were in favor.

**Old Business:**

**Recognition Awards:**

Debbie had forgotten to bring the list of unsponsored awards to the meeting, but thought it was around \$500. Wyatt moved to sponsor the unsponsored Recognition awards, not to exceed \$600.00. Heather Heying 2<sup>nd</sup> it, and it carried. (The next day, Debbie attached the list, totaling \$480.00)

**Summer Workshop Report:**

Laura Kahler, 4-H Advisor, gave a report of the workshops she did in 2017. (Including 9 workshops for the SDS, involving 108 Youth for that alone) Her plans are to do the SDS workshops again this summer.

Dawn moved and Nichi Brinda 2<sup>nd</sup> a motion to give Laura \$750 for workshops in 2018. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

**Thank You's**

Debbie passed out the thank you notes from 2017 for everyone to read. Marie gave 2 thanks you's from shooting sports National trip winners last year for us all to read.

**Silent Auction Coordinator:**

Debbie read a Silent Auction report for Jill Sell, as she was sick and unable to attend the meeting. Jill is willing to coordinate the Silent Auction in 2018 also.

**Camp Bob Scholarships:**

We had 3 applicants for Camp Bob Scholarships, Hunter Shippy – camp cost of \$95, Joey Anderson - camp cost of \$95, and Lena DeMers - camp cost of \$95. Dawn moved to give all 3 applicants \$50 for their scholarships.

**Project Enhanced Scholarships:** There were 7 scholarships turned in:

Bailey Fairbanks Horse Quiz Bowl Contests – costs of \$490

Zoe Harris Horse Quiz Bowl Contests - costs of \$227.50

Athena Willuweit Horse Quiz Bowl Contests - costs of \$280

Selah Harris Horse Quiz Bowl Contests - costs of \$227.50

Deborah Harris Horse Quiz Bowl Contests - costs of \$227.50

Elle Harris Horse Quiz Bowl Contests - costs of \$227.50

Maggie DeMers SDSU Livestock Judging School costs of - \$250

Wyatt Moved to give Maggie DeMers \$75 for the Judging School, Marie 2<sup>nd</sup> it, Motion carried.

Wyatt moved to give Zoe Harris, Athena Willuweit, Selah Harris, Deborah Harris, & Elle Harris \$100 each, and give Bailey Fairbanks \$200. Dawn 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, and it carried.

Laura moved to give \$250 to each shooting sports application in 2018, up to 4 applications. Donna 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, and motion carried.

Laure moved to reconsider her motion, Wyatt 2<sup>nd</sup> it, and it carried.

Laura amended her motion to say: If there are more than 4 applicants, the Trust Fund Executive Board will allocate additional funds accordingly. Wyatt 2<sup>nd</sup> her amendment, and it carried.

**Graduating Seniors in 2018:**

We discussed having enough money for all the Senior Scholarship Applicants we may have this next year. There could possibly be 12, but more likely to have 9 or 10. Dawn moved to allocate \$2,500.00 for next year's Seniors Scholarships. Marie 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. After much discussion, Dawn moved to amend her motion to say: Allocate \$3,500 for next year's Senior Scholarships, but earmarked that the Trust Fund Executive Board will allocate additional funds as needed. Laura 2<sup>nd</sup> her amendment, and the newly adopted main motion carried.

**Add to the Tripp County Community Foundation Investment:**

We discussed in length adding some money from our savings to our Tripp County Community Foundation Investment. Wyatt moved to add \$8,308 to have it equal \$50,000.00 and Donna 2<sup>nd</sup> his motion. Scott amended Wyatt's motion to invest \$5,000.00 as a friendly amendment, and the amendment carried.

**Dissolution of the Tripp County 4-H Trust Fund:**

We held a hugh discussion on combining the Tripp County 4-H Trust Fund with the Tripp County Leaders Association.

Discussion was held on how to adjust the Tripp County 4-H Trust Fund to make it more efficient while retaining its integrity.

A meeting was scheduled for February 27 at 5:30 at the Courthouse Community Room, to discuss a workable structure of some type.

**Trust Fund Assistance with 4-H Medals and Ribbons:**

Scott wondered if the Trust Fund could help the leaders pay for ribbons and medals that the office ordered for future use, in the amount of \$1,590.87.

Marie moved to pay the full amount of \$1,590.87 for ribbons and medals, as that is what the Trust Fund is set up to do. Wyatt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried with all ayes, except Donna Kubik voted nay.

**Cathy Ducheneaux's name off the savings account:**

Cathy has resigned from the treasurers position a year ago, so Dawn moved to take Cathy Ducheneaux's name off the savings account. MJ Waters 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, and it carried.

**Election of Directors & Officers**

Debbie will call Theresa Ewing to see if she would like to step down as a director, due to her current health issues with cancer. If she wants to stay on she is welcome to, but if she would like to have this position off her plate while she is dealing with treatments etc..., we would understand and the leaders will select a new representative.

Dawn nominated Lynnelle Anderson to stay on as President, Laura 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Wyatt moved nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot, and MJ 2<sup>nd</sup> it, motion carried.

Dawn nominated Marie as Vice President, Laura 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Wyatt moved nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot, and Heather 2<sup>nd</sup> it, motion carried.

Marie nominated Debbie stay on as Secretary, Laura 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Wyatt moved nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot, and Heather 2<sup>nd</sup> it, motion carried.

Marie nominated Scott stay on as Treasurer, Laura 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Wyatt moved nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot, and Heather 2<sup>nd</sup> it, motion carried

**Update Member List:**

Debbie has the updated membership list, but due to the meeting going so long, maybe we will updated it next year!

**Foundation Update:**

Debbie gave a brief update from Bill Ringstmeyer, that since they have invested their money with the Tripp County Community Foundation, they will have a lot more money to put toward either bigger or more scholarships.

Wyatt moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:40, and Nichi Brinda 2<sup>nd</sup> it, motion carried and we adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie R. Steinke  
Tripp County 4-H Trust Fund Secretary