

4-H Meeting for: Douglas County 4-H Leaders Council	Date: October 2, 2023
Location: Castle Rock, CO	Time: 6:31 p.m.
<b>Officer Reports:</b>	
Minutes of last meeting approved as: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Read <input type="checkbox"/> Corrected	
Treasurer Report: \$1657.51	
<b>Fair Board Report: Last meeting talked about the pros and cons of County Fair.</b>	
<b>Shooting Sports Report: No October meeting, next meeting will be held in November. Working on submitting a grant for equipment.</b>	
<b>Horse Steering Report: Preparing for the Horse Awards night tomorrow held at Kiana Creek Ranch.</b>	
<b>CALF Report: No Report</b>	
<b>CSU Extension Office Report:</b>	
Enrollment is now open. Youth Council is preparing for Achievement Night on October 11. Livestock Advisory Committee is holding it's first meeting tomorrow at 6 p.m. in the Extension Office Basement. 4-H Ambassador Applications are now being accepted, looking for motivated 4-H members seeking more leadership experience. Jacie and Sylvia are planning for the Sewing through Fall Break October 16-18 from 8 a.m. to Noon each day. There is a request for 4-H members to represent Douglas County during a special commissioner meeting on November 6 <sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. Please send a few representatives to talk about 4-H to our County Commissioners. Jacie and Mercedes are excited to host a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on November 13 <sup>th</sup> . Mercedes announced that the record books have been graded and that we had over 30 record books that came back with full points. Huge congratulations to those youth.	
<b><u>Old Business</u></b>	
<b>Enrollment</b> – Is OPEN! Make sure to have your re-enrolling members re-enroll before December 31 <sup>st</sup> . If your club is planning on capping the club, please advise the office ASAP. If you are capping, you will want to make sure to have all your re-enrolling members re-enrolled before the cap hits, we cannot re-open clubs once the cap has been reached. Mercedes announced that the first two fully enrolled (and paid) members are from DC Aggies and are a brand new family!	
<b>Volunteer Hours</b> – Make sure that these are entered quarterly! It's important in our conversations with stakeholders.	
<b>Achievement Night</b> – October 11, 2023 there is a sign-up in the blast and was sent out via the 4HOnline Blast.	
<b><u>New Business</u></b>	
<b>Leader Training</b> – Volunteer feedback was requested. The 4-H Office is looking to improve how volunteers are recognized. The 4-H Office is also looking to improve how we operate in the office so your input is highly appreciated as we continue to grow.	
<b>Record Books</b> – Discussion was had about animal record books. Mercedes suggested that other counties turn in a book per species, and introduced the idea to Leaders Council. Joanna suggested having trained Record Book judges judging the record books in the future to have consistency in judging. Mercedes will be working to scan the copies of the score sheets to share with Org Leaders per previous request to improve record books for youth. Additionally, Mercedes will be reaching out to those members that received full points on their record books to share as examples to 4-H youth during Record Book Workshops.	
<b>Douglas County 4-H Program Input</b> – As always, the 4-H Office Staff are always interested in hearing any input leaders or parents may have for the 4-H Program.	
<b>Adjourned: 6:58 p.m.</b>	