The April meeting of the New Castle County 4-H Leaders Association was called to order at 7:00pm. All said the 4-H and American pledges.
The Secretary report was reviewed. No corrections were needed.
The treasurer’s report was presented. We currently have $621.23 available in our checking account and $6,019.92 available in our savings account.
A motion was made to accept the reports as presented:

Motion made to approve the secretary and treasurers reports:
Richard Melson
Seconded: Brenda Shaffer
Motion passed

Agent Update:
- A National Music Education Matters Summit is being planned in Georgia. If any of your 4-H teens have interest, please call the NCC 4-H office.
- A Team Leader Training National Summit for Shooting Sports and a Train the Trainer for Healthy Living are being planned for this summer. More information will be made available for those interested.
- All clubs should have clearly delineated By-Laws. This will be mandatory in the fall of 2018.
- The NCC 4-H office and two NCC 4-Hers will be live on WDEL next week for an on air interview to promote 4-H. It will be taped on May 8th and air May 13.
- There will be Lawn Tractor Driving training on May 15 at Taylor and Messick in Harrington, DE. All 4-Hers who are planning to attend the tractor driving competition should attend. If the 4-H is a first time participant in the contest, they MUST attend this training.
- Remember, ALL fair entries are due to be submitted online by midnight June 1st.
- There are still spaces available for participants in Newark Day Camp.
- There are still spaces available for participants in the State 4-H Environmental Camp as well as girls needed to participate in the Girls STEM Camp.

Old Business:
1. Several 4-H judging contests (wood science, photography, and clothing) were held this evening. Participation was light.
2. The 4-H and FFA Spring Dairy Show was held on April 7.
3. There were 2 NCC 4-Hers who participated in the April 14 Clothing Showcase. The event was well received by all the participants.
4. The 2018 Jr. Leader Weekend/Younger Member Weekend was held on the weekend of April 20-22. Ten Jr. Leaders and seven younger members participated. The weekend was a great success and the canoeing event was a favorite of all. All agreed that Mallard Lodge works well for this event.
5. There was a very nice display at the Green Fest sponsored by the Newark Center for Creative Learning.

6. The State Camp Clean Up recently held at Camp Barnes had few participants. The committee is considering scheduling this differently and promoting it more for next year.

New Business:
7. The 2018 Legislative Day will be held this Wednesday April 25 at Legislative Hall in Dover, De. Several NCC 4-Hers are planning to attend.
8. All hands on deck for the 2018 AG Day, which will be held this Saturday April 28 at Townsend Hall. Brenda Shaffer is the lead person for this event. Please sign up to help and donate items, as you are able. Remember this is our only fundraiser for the year.
9. State Record Books are due to the NCC 4-H by May 1. We have 2 4-Hers submitting record books.
10. Dairy Leases are due by May 1 to the NCC 4-H office.
11. May 5 will be the Saturday Weigh-In for NCC. Any market any planning to be shown this summer must be weighed and tagged. If you are planning to participate in the Rate of Gain contest, you must have your market animal weighed in NCC on this date.
12. There will be a Spring Fest in Odessa, DE on May 5, from 9:00am – 3:00pm. NCC 4-H is planning to have a promotional table there.
13. All entries for the NCC 4-H Livestock Show are due by May 7. The show is scheduled for Saturday June 9, 2018 at the DE State Fairgrounds.
14. The next meeting of the NCC Links will be on Tuesday May 8 at 7:00pm in the NCC 4-H office.
15. May 12 is the last Demonstration Contest day. If you have a 4-Her who cannot make this event but does want to present a demonstration, please let the 4-H office know. If a category remains open, then other demo times may be scheduled.
16. Judging training for Dairy, Horse and Poultry will be held on May 14 from 6:30 – 8:00pm at the NCC 4-H office.
17. There will be Lawn Tractor Driving training on May 15 at Taylor Messick in Harrington, DE. All 4-Hers who are planning to enter the tractor driving competition should attend.
18. May 19-20 the C-3 Camp Counselor training will be held at Mallard Lodge.

Sharing:

- Kim shared that we have an opportunity to man the Farm Bureau Booth at the Delaware State Fair on one of the big show nights. This would earn us $500.00. In order to do this, we would have to have enough guaranteed adult help. After much discussion, it was agreed to decline the offer at this time, as we would not be able to be assured of the adult volunteers due to many other commitments during fair week.

MHH/April 23, 2018
The Meado-Larks 4-H Club sponsored a design of a miniature golf hole at an 18-hole miniature golf tournament at Skyline UMC on April 21. This event was a great success. They made a large donation to the Food Pantry.

Summit Bridge 4-H Club is planning a community service event soon to clean up the church where they meet.

Adjournment
- Motion made to adjourn the meeting: Karen Gouge
- Seconded: Brenda Shaffer
Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm

Next meeting will be Monday May 21 at 7:00pm in the NCC 4-H Office.

Respectfully Submitted:
Marian Harvey
Secretary, NCC 4-H Leaders Association