The October meeting of the New Castle County 4-H Leaders Association was called to order at 7:03pm by president Kim Klair. All said the 4-H and American pledges. New leaders who were in attendance were introduced:

The Secretary report was reviewed. No corrections were needed.
The treasurer's report was not available for this meeting.
A motion was made to accept the report as presented:

Motion made to approve the secretary report:
Richard Melson
Seconded: Chris Melson
Motion passed

Agent Update:
- The NCC Achievement Banquet event is in process of being planned for November 4, 2018. Please encourage your members to sign up soon so we know the amount of food to order.
- There is an updated 4-H Age policy that will go into effect on January 1, 2019. For this year’s Public Speaking Contest we will use this date for registration, as it is a contest for the 2019 4-H year.
- An updated NCC 4-H 2019 Calendar was distributed. Please use this one as it has several corrections and new dates.
- Please promote the Holiday Basket activity that is being planned. See the 4-H Newsletter for more details.
- Training materials for the NCC Public Speaking Contest were distributed. The contest is scheduled for Wednesday November 28, 2018 at the Brandywine Public Library.
- There is now an EZ Up tent (10X10) with a 4-H logo available to clubs to borrow for public events. Thanks were given to Bill Powers for this donation.

Old Business:
1. There have been 20 Project Record Books submitted to the NCC 4-H Office for the 2018 4-H year. This is about the same number as year’s past.
2. Parker Hickey from the Summit Bridge 4-H Club attended the National 4-H Dairy Conference.
3. Window Displays and Banners are in place. Winners will be announced at the NCC 4-H Achievement Banquet. Please remember we will send 3 top winners to the 2019 Delaware State Fair so hang on to your display once the 4-H Week is completed.
4. The 2018 Delaware 4-H Hall of Fame was held on October 6, 2018. It was well attended and several former NCC leaders as well as agents were honored.
5. The recent Links bowling event was very successful with at least 40 participants. A 47lb. food donation was gathered for the NCC Food Bank.

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6. Several NCC 4-H Clubs held special events during 4-H week. Summit Bridge had a hayride that supported Breast Cancer and Stump Corner held a bake sale at Tractor Supply.
7. The Livestock Expo went well. The number of Beef exhibitors was up from previous years.
8. Statewide new leader training was held on October 20. It was well received.
9. The Blackbird Community Festival went well. Archery was showcased and many in attendance were very interested in joining 4-H.

New Business:
10. There will be a Coding Competition workshop on Thursday October 25 at Shue Middle School from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. This is open to all 4-Hers aged 8-18.
11. The National Maker’s Summit will be held on November 1 – 4. Cole Simpson and Matt Trunfio will be attending with Sequoia Rent and Jenny Trunfio chaperoning.
12. There will be an Environmental Science Workshop in Kent County on November 3. This is a community event. Please register through the Kent County 4-H office website.
13. The NCC 4-H Achievement Banquet will be held at the NCC 4-H Office on November 4 beginning at 2:00pm.
14. There will be a NCC Links meeting at the 4-H Office on Tuesday November 13 at 7:00pm.
15. Registrations are due by November 16 for the upcoming Ag Science Summit as well as the Public Speaking contest. See the 4-H Newsletter for specific information.
16. Hunter Willoughby and Logan Aber will be representing 4-H at the National 4-H Congress, which will be held November 23-27 in Atlanta, GA.

Sharing:
- The NCC 4-H Exchange Group is holding a “12 Days of Christmas” fundraiser to support their future exchange trip. They need donations to sell tickets. Please contact Kaitlin Klair for more information.
- The leaders discussed the possibility of hosting a major fall event next year as a Leader/Links group. This will be to promote 4-H and be open to the community, as the Sussex and Kent counties do with their Pumpkin Contest and Fall Funfest.

Adjournment
- Motion made to adjourn the meeting: Jenny Trunfio
  - Seconded: Richard Melson
Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm
Next meeting will be Monday November 26, 2018 at 7:00pm in the NCC 4-H Office.

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

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