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South County Patriots 4-H Club Report
January 28, 2024
Submitted By: Savannah Pierce

The monthly meeting of the South County Patriots was held on January 28, 2024 at 2pm at the Ridge Firehouse. Kayla Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm. Roll call was answered by 11 members. There were two new club members in attendance. All club members introduced themselves and talked about their 4-H goals for 2024. Kayla Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge. The 4-H Pledge was recited twice with an explanation of the hand movements for the benefit of the new members. The two new members were given binders with information about Robert's Rules, the 4-H pledge, Diamond Clover, and record books to read to get more details and they will meet with the club leaders after the meeting for more information.

Garrett Smith provided his demonstration before we continued the business meeting because it was a live animal demonstration and his parents wanted to take the animal back home and then return to the meeting. He brought a baby goat who was just born and showed the club how to bottle feed a goat and answered questions about caring for and raising goats.



Heather Pierce gave all club members copies of the 2024 plans and reviewed them with members and parents to make sure there were no issues that have come up since the last business meeting. A few of the meeting dates were adjusted and a new copy will be given to everyone and submitted to the 4-H office. The Firehouse is reserved for February and Heather will work with them for the remaining dates.

The 4-H banquet will be held on March 16 at the Ridge Firehouse. Heather Pierce explained to the new members what the banquet is and what kinds of things members can be recognized for at the banquet. Emma, Savannah, and Josi volunteered to help at the registration table, Kayla for the 50/50 raffle, and Garrett as a greeter. Heather will let the 4-H office know what they volunteered for and let everyone know what positions are actually needed. Kayla Wilson made a motion for the club to vote whether to pay for the parents for the banquet with club funds. Emma seconded the motion. The club voted unanimously to pay for the parents.

Heather Pierce provided new Diamond Clover forms to everyone who needed one and they need to be returned to her at the next meeting.

The club decided last year that a fundraiser would be held again this year to raise funds that would go towards 4-H camp for any club members who wanted to go. Heather Pierce explained that it has been difficult to find a date early in the year that works for both the quarter auction group and the fairgrounds. She asked that everyone be patient until she hears back again from the fairground coordinator.

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Heather Pierce asked the club members to think about what month this year they want to complete their demonstrations and let her know at the next meeting. Emma Smith will complete the demonstration for February.

The next meeting will be on February 25th at 2pm at the Ridge Firehouse.

Kayla Wilson moved that the business meeting adjourn at 2:43 pm. Motion seconded by Emma Smith and carried. After the meeting, club members and parents stayed to work with Heather on the final review and signatures for their record books and to go through the Outstanding 4-H'er of the Year form to see how many points each club member would have.



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The monthly meeting of the South County Patriots was held on February 25, 2024 at 2pm at the Ridge Firehouse. The meeting was called to order by Kayla Wilson at 2:06 pm. Roll call was answered by all 11 members. Members stated their name and answered the question, "Who is your favorite Disney or Marvel character"? Kayla Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

Waylon Starling, Treasurer, provided his report for the month of January.

Fundraiser- the quarter auction fundraiser is now scheduled and will be held on April 7th at the Knights of Columbus in Ridge. All club members who would like to use the funds raised for camp need to attend the fundraiser and help.

Enrollment- all club members are currently enrolled and have selected their projects for the year. Heather Pierce reminded everyone that if they want to make any changes to the projects they chose they should do that soon so they have enough time to complete all the requirements, but no later than June.

4-H Banquet- Emma Smith, Josi Stewart, and Savannah Pierce have signed up to work the registration table, Garrett Smith as a greeter, and Kayla Wilson as a 50/50 ticket seller. RSVPs are due to the 4-H office by March 1st. Heather Pierce will send in one RSVP and check for the whole club since the club voted to pay for the parents using club funds.

Review 2023 plans- there was a request to move the August meeting date to the 17th instead of the 18th and everyone agreed this was ok.

Diamond Clover- plans are due to the 4-H office by March 15th. Most members who are turning one in this year had it with them and gave to Heather. The one member who did not bring his will submit to Heather this week so that she has them all at the next leader's meeting.

Demonstration sign-up- club members who have signed up for multiple projects were reminded that they need a demo for each one and not to wait too long to plan for that or we will run out of months.

Heather Pierce reviewed some of the upcoming 4-H events and reminded everyone that the 4-H website has a calendar of events they can look at to see everything that is coming up. The link was included in our agenda for today.

There will be no meeting in March, we will attend the banquet instead. In April, we will have our club fundraiser and a meeting at the end of the month.

Kayla Wilson moved that the business meeting adjourn at 2:42 pm. Motion seconded by Emma Smith and carried. Emma Smith completed a craft demonstration to show the club how to make fortune tellers out of paper and stickers and afterwards the club had snacks while Heather, Lisa, and Karin showed newer parents how to complete some of the required 4-H paperwork like Diamond Clover and record books.