The Marion County 4H Council held a meeting on January 11, 2021 via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Peters at 7:00 pm. The pledges were recited and roll call was taken by responding in the chat box or filling out the 4H Contacts survey on screen. Roll call was answered by 4 Youth, 10 Adults, and Extension Agent, Tristen Cope. The previous meeting minutes were read by Youth Representative Noah Schmidt. The minutes were approved as read with a motion to accept by Noah and seconded by Suzanne Meier.

Communications:

The new Chisholm Trail website is up and running and can be accessed by visiting www.chisholmtrail.kstate.edu. The Marion county site will remain open for a while and you will be redirected to the Chisholm Trail site. Please look at the 4H calendar and the January newsletter which can be found in the right-hand margin of the website.

We received a letter from the Kansas 4H Foundation notifying us that we received a donation for $500 dollars from the Sharing Success Program Grant funded by Flint Hills Electric Cooperative and CoBank, for the purpose of helping reduce the cost of members going to Rock Springs 4H Camp. A thank you note should be sent to Travis Griffin, Flint Hills Electric Cooperative, PO Box B, Council Grove, Ks 66846-0610

The Happy Hustlers and Linconville Wide Awake clubs participated in the Kansas Beats the Virus program. They each received $1000 for their participation. The Happy Hustlers received a $3000 grant from KLC and are going to purchase hand sanitizer bottles that can be hooked onto school bags for all students in Marion County schools. The Lincolnville Wide Awake will have a rapid testing station for Centre School and are purchasing masks for their students.

Treasurer Report:

The beginning balance for the 4H Council account was $12,958.11. There was a deposit amount of $2198.75 and two debits in the amount of $2492.73 and $295.41. The ending balance totals $19,386.78 for the 4H Council and an overall total of $28,121.02. A motion to approve the Treasures report was requested by Suzanne Meier and was seconded by Noah Schmidt. Treasurers report was approved.

Committee Report:

Please sign up for committees by opening the following link.

https://forms.gle/4HfmE8az6H9h6Jd4A

Old Business:

The financial reviews for each club are due. Please get them turned into the office.

New Business:

This year’s Multicounty Club Day is going to be virtual through Flip Grid. You will take a video of your presentation and submit it to be judged. You can start submitting your videos on March 8 and it ends March 22 at midnight. The videos will begin being judged on March 23. New this year are 4H Reels
for all age groups. This is a video submission much like what you would do for Instagram Reels. For Seniors, there is a job interview competition on March 9. Check the webpage for more information on this. There will be several different judging contests to compete in as well.

Marion County Fair 2021 dates have been set for July 17- July 25. The theme will be Fun for the Whole Herd- Take 2. We will most likely be following the same health precautions as we did last year.

We now have a redesigned set of pages for the 4H record book. Tristan reviewed what to expect for completing record books this year and showed what the new format looks like. There are downloadable links on the website.

Then next council meeting will take place March 10th. The format will be announced during the week prior to the meeting.

Noah Schmidt made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jennifer Gaines seconded the motion.