

**Macon County 4-H and Extension Foundation
November 25, 2019**

Macon County 4-H and Extension Foundation Meeting was held November 25, 2019 at the University of Illinois Extension office, 3351 N. President Howard Brown Blvd., Decatur, Illinois 62521.

Attendance included: Brady Streckfuss, Melissa Koehler, Evan Hall, Erika Tibbs, Mark Sturgell, Jeff Kraft, Mindy Mosely, Jeremy Crouch, Tyler Beals, and Melody Arnold. Extension Staff: Doug Harlan, Peggy Mechling, Trinity Johnson

At 5:30PM CST, Board President, Evan Hall welcomed board members in attendance and called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the September 23, 2019 meeting were presented for review. A motion was made by Erika Tibbs and seconded by Tyler Beals to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

The November 2019 Macon County 4-H and Extension Foundation Financial Report was distributed. Hickory Point Checking Account hard copy information was distributed; itemized expenses and deposits. Soy Capital Investment Fund information was provided. Financial report as follows:

Checking Account Balance		\$91,062
Soy Capital Bank Funds		
Cash/Amazon Smile	\$10	
Warren Meyer Scholarship Fund	\$12,541	
Naomi Cody Scholarship Fund	\$6,828	
Hawbaker Leadership Fund	\$21,066	
College Scholarship Fund	\$15,776	
Land of Lincoln Scholarship Fund	\$3,089	
Undesignated General Funds	\$295,038	
Hartwig Scholarship Fund	\$92,973	
Carolyn Mason Memorial Fund	\$3,146	
Total Soy Capital Foundation Funds		\$450,469
Total Balance		\$541,531

The net income from the Farm Progress show is approximately \$49,790 at this point, with funds to be used to pay volunteers. The total payment amount is approximately \$10,000, about \$7 per hour per worker. A motion was made by Mark Sturgell and seconded by Erika Tibbs to allow payment to be made. The motion carried.

Scholarship Committee Report:

Haley Ferrill, Scholarship Chairperson was not in attendance. The application for scholarships will be sent to 4H seniors in the data base in January 2020. The foundation has the ability to grant 10 \$1,000 scholarships per year. The applications will be due in March.

Fundraising Committee:

The grain wagon did not make it out this year due to time constraints of the board members. In the future, a sign will be put up at local grain elevators asking for bushel donations. A social media campaign is being considered to raise some year-end funds for the organization.

Board Development Committee:

No updates

Awards Committee:

No new information from the awards committee.

Other Business:

The 4H SCREAM Robotics Club presented to the board. They are requesting \$2,950 to purchase a 3D printer and supplies to be used to create additional robots and advocate for additional members to their club. They had two robots with them to help demonstrate. Mark Sturgell made a motion to approve the funding, seconded by Melody Arnold. The Motion carried.

Doherty's Pub was chosen as the location of the annual meeting on January 27, 2020.

Meeting dates for 2020, in addition to the annual meeting, are as follows:

March 23, May 18, July 27, September 28, and November 23, 2020

The next meeting will be held January 27, 2020 at 5:30 PM at Doherty's Pub
Erika Tibbs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jeff Kraft. Motion carried.

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Brady Streckfuss, Secretary