

New Castle County 4-H Leaders Association
April 28, 2025

President Kim Klair called the April 28, 2025, New Castle County 4-H Leaders meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

All said the 4-H and American pledges.

The secretary report was reviewed. The treasurer's report was reviewed. Our savings account balance is currently \$11,597.77 and our checking account balance is \$5292.51. We currently have no outstanding checks. We earned \$2,625 from our Ag Day food booth. Of that, \$1,252.53 was paid through Venmo. As with last year, the proceeds from the pulled chicken entre per the NCC Links Association will be \$1,000 payable to them.

Motion made to accept the reports and approve the \$1000 payment to the Links:

- Motion- Linda Somers
- Second – Robyn Hunter

Agent Update:

- The NCC Leader's Association will once again staff the Delaware Farm Bureau food booth at the Delaware State Fair on the first Saturday of the Fair (July 19) from 3pm until close. Please sign up to help.
- There is great need for support with the set-up of the 4-H Building at the Delaware State Fair. Please sign up to help. See the newsletter for details.
- The NCC Leaders Association is co-sponsoring a New Castle County 4-H trip to Hershey Park on Wednesday July 30. The Leaders will provide the bus transportation. Admission tickets will be discounted to the group rate. Every child MUST have a parent or adult responsible for them. It is ONLY for 4-Hers and their immediate siblings. More information is forthcoming.
- Our annual Achievement Celebration will be on Sunday October 5 at Kranz Farm. This will be a Farm to Table Celebration. Tickets will be \$5 pp or \$20 for a family of 4 or more. Please begin encouraging your 4-H families to mark their calendars to attend now.
- Make up Skill-a-thons will be held on May 21. See the newsletter for information regarding Animal Judging contests.
- The Cngineering Event that supports the DE Food Bank will be coming up soon. Richard Melson is asking for canned food donations to make this event a success. Clubs may drop off their canned goods to the NCC 4-H office by June 2nd.

Old Business:

1. The Kent County Basket Auction was a great success. It will be moved to the Delaware State Fair New Castle Building for next year.
2. The recent Woodworking Workshop went well. All participants were very engaged.

3. The 4-H Escape Room had 14 participants who also learned about the dangers of vaping.
4. Camp Barnes Clean-up Day focused on the upgrade of the Council Circle. There is still more to be done before State 4-H Camp opens in June.
5. The NCC 4-H Demonstration Contest #1 had only 2 participants. The next opportunity will be on May 8. Please sign up by May 5 for any available category other than Dog (team).
6. The annual Dairy Show was well attended.
7. Litter Barrels are in place and are now being judged. Linda Somers has litter barrels available for future use in this contest.
8. Our annual Ag Day food booth had great success despite the threatening weather
9. The NCC 4-H Club tent was very active with many in the public taking advantage of the activities offered.

New Business:

10. May 1 – Dairy leases are due.
11. May 1 – entries for the upcoming Livestock Jackpot are due.
12. May 3 – the Kent County Livestock Show entries are due
13. May 3 - is the weigh-in day for NCC market animals from 8-11am. If you want to show your animal at the Delaware State Fair, they must attend one of the weigh-in sessions.
14. May 6 – Final YQCA training will be held at the Kent Co. 4-H office at 6:30pm.
15. May 7 – Legislative Day for 4-H in Dover, 9:00am- 2:30pm
16. May 8 - Demonstration Contest #2 at the NCC 4-H office.
17. May 10 – livestock weigh-in at the Delaware State Fairgrounds, 8-11am.
18. May 12 – the next C3 meeting at the NCC 4-H office, 6:30 pm.
19. May 13 – our next NCC 4-H Links meeting via ZOOM, 7pm.
20. May 13 – Environmental Camp Counselor training via ZOOM.
21. May 15 - National 4-H Club Congress record books are due to the NCC 4-H office.
22. May 15 – there will be an archery shoot at the New Castle building at the Delaware State Fair, 5:00pm.
23. May 17 – The Jackpot livestock show will be held at the Delaware State Fairgrounds.
24. May 18 – The Archer Qualifier will be held at B & B farms. 1pm for the 8-10- and 11–13-year-olds; 2pm for the seniors 14years old and up.

Sharing:

- The Thrive 4-H Club enjoyed helping to man the Ag Day 4-H Club tent.

Motion to adjourn was made by Robyn Hunter seconded by Richard Melson.
The meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

Our next regular meeting will be held on **Monday, May 19, 2025, at 7:00 pm** at the NCC 4-H office. Remember, this meeting is a week earlier than usual due to the next being Memorial Day Weekend.

Respectfully Submitted:
Marian Harvey