

Jefferson County Horse and Pony Project

Countywide Meeting Minutes

November 18th, 2023, 11:00am

Present:

Jenn Olson (Chair)
Jessica Pfeifer (Vice Chair)
Erica Neis (Secretary)
Jordan Soleska (Reporter)
Terri Besch (At-Large)
Julie Lohman (At-large)
Annalisa Boshart (Youth Chair)
Aubree Soleska (Youth Reporter)
Rylie Neis (Youth Secretary)
Gracie Lohman (Youth At-Large)

Benji Soleska
Harper Walsh
Sanai Palacios
Aquila Palacios
Norah Harnack
Brinley Harnack
Lilly Sebranek

Business:

1. The educational experience meeting was held at Acclaim Performance Horses
2. Kayla Waltemath, Owner of 94 West Equine Massage Therapy, LLC, presented her horse with a skeleton drawn on his body in white. She explained the different bones and muscles on the horse's body and how they correlated with human bones/muscles.
3. Kayla provided handouts that labeled the bones, superficial muscles, and deep tissue muscles of the horse on colored pictures.
4. Kayla had various bodywork tools and machines on display, including red light and magnawave. She allowed the youth to take turns taking pictures of various parts of her horse's body with a thermal imaging camera, and explained what the pictures showed and how the thermal imaging camera could be used to treat horses.
5. Kayla led a game in which two teams of youth competed to label the bones of the horse with post-it notes on their side of her horse. She then checked the work of each team and explained which were correct and incorrect. The game was repeated with labeling muscles.
6. Kayla gave the youth an opportunity to ask questions about the horse's body and bodywork.

The next Countywide Meeting is January 20th, 2023 at WI Equine (time TBD)

The JCHP Tack Sale is January 21st at the Fair Park Activity Center. Volunteers will be needed on Saturday evening and Sunday before/during/after the event.