

Shawano County 4-H Livestock Committee

April 28, 2022

Present: In-person - Paul McClone, Jeff Kabara, Elizabeth Inman, Eli Inman, Terri Dallas, Allison Brown, Kathy Brown, Mandi McClone, Wendi Kabara, Bill Bohn, Jeff Hintz, Olivia Danley, Addyson VanHaren, Adam VanHaren, Joshua Kolodziej, Heather Kolodziej, Jill Sikorski, Amelia Sikorski, Trinity Brede, Warren Raddatz, Samantha Bulger-Posbrig, Carrie Milhalski, Jim Fuhrman, Joel Nischke, Gina Damveld, Gracie Damveld, Carrie Spates, Hailey Spates, Dave Spates, Scott Breitrick, Alexis Roe, Megan Suehring

Pledge of Allegiance: Hailey Spates 4-H Pledge: Amelia Sikorski

Secretary's Report: M: Mandi McClone, 2nd: Allison Brown, Vote: Approved

Treasurer's Report: M: Eli Inman, 2nd: Allison Brown, Vote: Approved

Motion to deviate from the agenda as needed. M: Eli Inman, 2nd: Mandi McClone, Vote: Approved

Old Business:

1. Committee Reports

- a. Education: Megan stated who the committee members are. Warren discussed the outcome of Super Saturday – YQCA, Brenda's presentation and reported approx. 100+ kids attended the livestock portion.
- b. DNA/Ear Tagging: Tags for swine, sheep and goats were purchased outside of the 840 RFID tags. Tags for the hogs are not ideal but will work. Scrappie tags for Sheep and Goats. Make sure to identify both ear tag color and number on all entries. Remaining 840 RFID Tags being reserved for Feeder steers. Ear tag sales extended to Thursday, May 19th.
- c. Policies/Rules: Warren stated no additional information other than DNA, contracts, and COOL forms due into the Extension office by Friday, May 20th. Firm Deadline.
- d. Weigh-In /Scale Committee: Need scale certified. Scale head located in Fair Office. Proposed to have this completed in August.
- e. Packing Plants: Mostly the same as last year. Cedar Wedge will take additional animals and also now doing hogs. Hillside – Paul to contact. Harpers – approx. 5-8 animals. Adams – No longer an option
- f. Recognition/Awards: Trinity reported Belt Buckles for Showmanship are ordered with hopeful arrival prior to fair. Beef Chair sponsorships are full, sheep have 2 remaining spots available. Banner sponsorships are open. Rate of Gain Chair sponsor also open. Will post on Facebooks for help in getting sponsors.
- g. Auction Logistics/Auction Form Review: Jim Fuhrman to contact Yoap and Yoap for Auctioneering duties. Genex no longer able to print banners of previous years' buyers. Need to investigate other options – Bolins, 715, Hoofers, etc.
- h. Scholarship: Due date May 31st. As of now, no applicants. Open to Grades 11-13 for 2nd semester tuition

New Business:

1. Funding Requests for Educational Events: Megan discussed how to structure.

a. Discussion topics included:

- i. Full group or subcommittee? Who can request? How to request? How long in advance to request? Who reviews requests? Amounts / Limits – discussed different limits based on project specifics. How to report findings/outcome for those granted monies. What qualifies as an approved request?

- b. General comments:
 - i. Eli thought an application with presentation should happen at month meeting.
 - ii. Scott stated Farm Bureau has a separate committee to handle this so it doesn't take up everyone's time at the meeting.
 - iii. Paul's concern was in timing of request vs payment as well as cap of funds to be dispersed.
 - iv. Megan's concern what do we want them to do at mtg to request funds. What would this look like?
 - v. Terri's concern is that what is considered and defined as "education" needs to be clearly stated – cut and dry with no room for interpretation.
 - vi. Megan suggested staying within 4- guidelines
 - 1. Publicly posted – open to all members
 - 2. Teams or Individuals to sponsor events or clinics (as an example)
 - vii. Budgets – discussed to renew yearly. When the money is gone, its gone and no additional funds will be available until the next fiscal year. Discussed to start with \$1000 to come out of main checking account and NOT the scholarship fund.
- c. Motion made to form a subcommittee to handle rules, policies, etc.
 - i. M: Eli Inman, 2nd: Scott Breitrack, Vote: Approved
 - ii. Committee Members: Eli Inman, Jill Sikorski, Jim Fuhrman, and Josh Kolodziej

Other New Business:

- 1. Fair Board Mtg May 2nd
 - a. Speaker system in Coliseum – Centralized Center Speaker
 - b. All new lights in Coliseum
- 2. Sheep Gates – are there new gates being purchased?
 - a. Would like them to be like the blue goat gates from Sydel Mfg.
 - b. Terri and Scott working together on plans and measurements
 - i. Approx. measurements 50"x 80" pen size in 96' barn
 - ii. Current Goat gates - purchased organized by Scott Leisner with goat committee funds and fundraisers
 - c. Need approx. 25 pens with 2 sheep per pen at a cost of Approx. \$400-1200 per pen depending upon number of sides needed and locking/closure mechanism on front of each pen.
 - i. Currently have donation from a 4-H club of approx. \$1000
 - ii. Scott thought Ag Society would probably donate the purchase of 2 pens as well
 - iii. Where will the remaining money come from?
- 3. Owners of Assets – Need to produce an accurate listing of who owns what.
 - a. Large Green Gates & Fans owned by Livestock Committee
 - b. Scale owned by Livestock Committee
 - c. Current Goat Pens owned by Goat Committee
 - d. Ownership of current Sheep pens believed to be the Fair Board

Future Agenda Items:

- 1. None

Adjourn: M: Mandi McClone, 2nd: Allison Brown, Vote: Approved

Next meeting May 26th (4th Thursday of month) at 7:30 Submitted by Elizabeth Inman