

Shawano County 4-H Livestock Committee

February 22, 2024

**Present:** (19) Paul McClone, Elizabeth Inman, Heather Kolodziej, Josh Kolodziej Sam Bulger-Posbrig, Emma Inman, Eli Inman, Bill Inman, Bill Bohn, Joel Nischke, Scott Breitrick, Jim Fuhrman, Eli Magee, Lindsay Johnson, Julie Meyer, Dan Zernicke, Phoenix Seubert, Tami Goers, Megan Suehring

Pledge of Allegiance: Phoenix Seubert 4-H Pledge: Emma Inman

Secretary's Report: M: Eli Inman, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Emma Inman, Vote: Approved

- Motion made to accept with changes
  - o Clarification and correction being made to Jan'24 minutes regarding Outagamie Livestock Meat Judging Team. They have a Coach, leader and team but contacted Shawano Cty looking for an opportunity to earn a credit.

Treasurer's Report: M: Bill Bohn, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lindsay Johnson, Vote: Approved

Motion to deviate from the agenda as needed. M: Emma Inman, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Eli Inman, Vote: Approved

Old Business:

1. Committee Reports

- a. Education: Dr Reyes – Education Meeting in Oconto Falls on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Eli presented that Amelia's Beef Youth Chair education credit meeting would be held at Roskom Meats for a tour and explanation of meat cuts sometime in June. Emma presented that she will be bringing her pigs to the fairgrounds twice to show early training and later show readiness. This will be her swine education credit. Bill presented on behalf of Trevor that goats are hoping to put on a showmanship clinic.
- b. DNA/Ear Tagging/Weigh-In/Scale: Bad ear tags were discovered – entire batch. WLIC will replace the entire batch at no charge. If someone has a bad beef tag, then we will change it out at initial weigh-in. All other good ear tags must be in place upon arrival. No DNA taken at initial weigh-in. As of now, all ear tags are staying the same cost. A little discussion was had on the cost and benefits of a wand reader for the 840 ear tags now that we need to have an accurate 15-digit ID # on file for animals.
- c. Policies/Rules: No report
- d. Packing Plants: No report from committee but Scott brought up that Kropf's would take more animals and there were returning customers of theirs that didn't get a spot last year. Liz stated concerns that if everyone who wanted Kropf's was actually sent to Kropf's that we would end up losing other processors due to low or no numbers. Another new processor in the area was brought up – Valley Meats north of Gillett.
- e. Auction Logistics & Forms: No report
- f. Scholarship: No report but it was mentioned than we should make sure form is up to date
- g. Educational Funding Requests: Two new requests – Issac and Charlotte Johnson looking to attend the WI Jr Red Angus Show. Each requesting \$20. Eli made a motion to approve Issac and Charlotte's request for \$20 each to attend the event. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Josh Kolodziej Vote: Approved

2. Ag Society

- a. Pig Barn roof being contracted out and will be done in April.

- b. Fans needed in Sheep/goat barn. Looking at having ceilings insulated as well in that barn and maybe others. Stephanie Bowers to contact Bob & Scott on Air Flow and Vent Specialist to walk through each barn. Jim asked who would be paying for this and that is still being determined.

New Business:

1. Sub Committee
  - a. Two new people. Liz will send out an email communication to them
2. Awards
  - a. Kids suggestions were compiled. Market awards for all species still would like chairs, showmanship is belt buckles and carcass was somewhat of a tie between windbreakers and sweatshirts. Also discussed only doing Grand/Reserve designation for Market – all others will be 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> designations. Talked about doing feed pails/pans for Performance and Rate of Gain and Banners of two different sizes for Breeding Stock. Sam asked if we can get Large Auction Banners started with 715 to get them out of the way before everything else starts. Scott and Dan will talk with Clintonville Elevators for belt buckles again. Julie will get pricing on those. Profiles for Chairs and clothing. Could also look at Images Embroidery but they are expensive. Another option is Branded Show Gear.
3. Animal Science Days – June 18, 2024 (Tuesday) @ approx. 9am
  - a. Megan meeting with Jill Jorgeson.
    - i. Local people will supply animals for live judging. 2 classes of each Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat and 7 classes of Dairy.
    - ii. Committees will be formed soon for planning.
    - iii. Volunteers will be needed for leaders, set up, moving things/kids from place to place, food, etc. Approx 150-200 kids to attend.
    - iv. No awards are needed
    - v. Logistics still being worked on for food stand, dumpsters, shavings, who is providing lunch, etc.
4. Beef Initial Weigh-In
  - a. Eli, Paul, Jeff Kabara, Liz, Mandi, Heather, Phoenix, Toby and possibly Amelia will be there to help

Other New Business: none

Future Agenda Items: Show Times, Kerber Rose alternative, Awards

Adjourn: M: Bill Bohn, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Joel Nischke, Vote: Approved

Next meeting March 28th @ 7:30 pm in the Courthouse basement Rm A-B

Submitted by Elizabeth Inman