

4-H Livestock Committee Minutes

December 11, 2018

Attendance: Chair Kodi Peterson, Vice Chair Steve Chvilicek, Secretary Jasmine Powell, Agents Jasmine Carbajal and Shylea Wingard, Superintendents – Micah Gibson, Jon Molitor, Lisa Toth, Kayla Waid, Alex Ahonen Pigeon, and Amanda Powell. Others present were Cody Solomon and Scott Chagnon.

Vice Chair Steve Chvilicek called the meeting to order. Chair Kodi Peterson took over upon her arrival.

The Pledges were recited.

Jon Molitor moved to approve the **Minutes** as presented from the October 9, 2018 meeting. Cody Solomon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Beef – Micah and Scott reported that beef weigh-in went well. They weighed in steers for 28 members. There aren't any mini-steers this year. There is a buddy steer that was not castrated. Micah will follow up with Windy Boy's to make sure it gets castrated before January 1, 2019.

Micah would like to have a steer workshop during Christmas break.

Swine – Jon reported that there are 48 members signed up right now. He would like to build a permanent hog washing station on the north side of the BBB.

Sheep/Goat – Lisa reported that there are two market goats and one dairy goat signed up. There are 14 market lambs and one member in sheep breeding.

Lisa is planning a project book workshop for all 4-H members on December 27th.

Horse – Kayla and Alex reported that there are six members signed up in the horse project and one in the Horseless Horse project.

They are going to hold a horse meeting without horses on the first Thursday of every month starting in January and going until the weather gets nice.

Still want to pursue the joint horse show with Blaine County with the understanding that there will still be Showmanship classes at our local fair. This will enable members to qualify for the Round Robin and have horses on display for fairgoers. The joint horse show plan needs to be approved by our 4-H Council before we can commit to that event.

Megan Ortner, our horse judge from last year, has offered to put on a Showmanship Clinic for our kids.

Dog – Amanda reported that there are six members enrolled this year. Jon Molitor stated that a possible Superintendent might be Kati Purkett. It was also noted that Shelly Benzing has moved to Havre and is a dog clinician.

Small Animals – Amanda reported that there are 3 cats; 2 pocket pets; 6 poultry kids; and 9 rabbit kids right now.

Upcoming events are the Winter Fair in Lewistown at the end of January where there will be a rabbit show and rabbit agility event.

****** Kodi and Micah agreed to meet with the Fair Board to come up with an agreement for barn use for this year.

Herdsmanship – Kodi reported that the Herdsmanship committee liked the style of jackets that Ag Wise gave to the sheep kids last year. They want the jackets and sweatshirts to all be the same. The goal is to have jackets and sweatshirts for every species in both the Junior and Senior Divisions. The Grand winners will receive the jackets and the Reserve winners will receive the sweatshirts. This is for Showmanship classes only.

The committee will check prices at fiveheads, Master Sports, and with Max Erickson at Beaver Creek. Cody Solomon will talk to Max Erickson for a quote on the stitching.

There needs to be **more than** 2 participants in a class to be eligible to get a jacket or sweatshirt. If there are 2 or fewer participants, then the winners will receive a plaque. May 1st will be the date used to determine the number of participants in each class.

OLD BUSINESS:

Beef Weigh-In and LQA – There were 28 members who weighed in their steers. There were 37 kids that took in LQA with lots of hands on activities. There will be another LQA class in February or in the spring and then if there are still members needing LQA they will need to give a presentation to the 4-H Council or Livestock Committee.

Sponsor Awards – The Herdsmanship Committee is working on this.

North Central Stockgrowers Sponsorship – The Stockgrowers tabled this item at their meeting.

Joint Horse Show – (Tabled from October meeting) – This item will be put on the 4-H Council's Agenda for their January 2019 meeting.

2019 Fair Large Animal Judge – Shylea reported that Marc King doesn't schedule until after the first of the year. Other suggestions are Travis Stanley and Laurel Rigby.

NEW BUSINESS:

Swine Weight to 310# sale weight – tabled to February meeting.

State 4-H Horse Show – Shylea reported that they are having sponsorship problems. We did send them \$50 this year and did not have any of our members attend.

Other – Kayla is moving into the lead as the Horse Superintendent with Alex being the helper.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Fair Board Meeting is Tuesday, December 18, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the Timmons Room.

Next Livestock Committee Meeting is Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Timmons Room.

Adjournment – Steve Chvilicek moved to adjourn the meeting. Jon Molitor seconded the motion. Motion carried.