

Jr. Fair Beef Committee

September 10, 2020

Members present: Jason Manning, Tim & Connie Rhoades, Luann Mann, Andy Byram, Deanna Hunt, Gary Goettmoeller, Jenny Crandall, Sue Voke, Brittany Voke, Gary & Jill Gehret, Lori Godown Luke Brinksneider, Madison Crawford, Linda Fourman, Rhonda Williams, Jim Zumbrink, Dudley Lipps, & Tommy Shaw .

Jason Manning called the meeting to order in the Youth Building. There was no Treasurer's report available. Minutes from the previous meeting were handed out. Linda Fourman reported that on behalf of the Sale Committee that they had sent out 1200 buyer invoices. The total overall sale was as follows: decrease in lots sold of 16 head, total sale fund was down \$50,000 for a total of close to \$550,000.

We welcomed our newest Jr. Fairboard member Madison Crawford who replaced Ian Gehret & will be joining Luke Brinksneider & Jenna Godown.

Old Business:

- Fair mulch- \$1220 was collected. Tommy Shaw asked for discussion regarding what to do with the extra mulch from OYLE that wasn't used during our fair. Options that were provided were for use around the fairgrounds or an Eagle Scout requested permission to use it for a trail project. Jenny Crandall moved to give the excess mulch to the Eagle Scout for use and then any remaining mulch could be used by for the fairgrounds. Sue Voke seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Jason Manning discussed that multiple people expressed appreciation for the live broadcasts of the shows. It was discussed that we should look into continuing the broadcasts and maybe even add a commentator.

New Business:

- Weigh in
 - Dates for weigh in were discussed. It was agreed to have it on Thursday, January 7, 2021 from 6:00- 8:00 pm in the old Beef Barn similar to past years. Rhonda asked for a rough estimate for DNA kits. 35 were requested.
 - Jason mentioned that he had a family request not to have to physically weigh in. They would like to have a tag place while on the trailer. Part of their concern is due to potential disease exposure. The committee discussed that due to risk to personal & the animal's physical safety the exception would not be made.
 - The tag in fee will again be \$10 / head.
 - Many committee members felt that the scales platform needs some modification. A sub-committee of Andy Byram, Luke Brinksneider & Mike Fourman are to meet with the dairy department to work on improvements.
- Fair/Rule/ Parental Concerns
 - Jenny raised awareness that she was approached by a parent that had concerns regarding a side line coaching event that occurred during the fair. Many of the committee expressed that it is difficult to see everyone at all times. It was suggested that perhaps the rule should be amended to be only restricted to showmanship events. Much discussion followed. Ultimately it is a Jr. Fair wide rule & they would need to amend it if they agreed to do so.
 - Showmanship – Tim suggested that several people requested that the order for showmanship be placed in the book and that it should flow as oldest to youngest in order that the younger showman might have an opportunity to learn more. It was agreed that that should be amended. See rule change section to follow.

- Jenny suggested that a new sub-committee be established to come up with some ideas as to how to raise funds for the Beef Committee in general. Many other committees seem to have a large amount of monies to spend on prizes, etc. where as we do not. Sue & Jenny will look into fundraising options.
- Concerns followed regarding the committee treasurer's position. It was suggested that having a secondary person added to the account would be ideal so that in one's absence the other could be there. Jenny moved to add a co-treasurer office & to allow for 2 people be able to sign the checks. Brittany seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Jenny then suggested that it would be beneficial to designate who would be the ring help for each show prior to the fair. Sign up will be done at the last meeting just prior to the fair.
- Jenny said she had a few parents express a desire for a better quality showmanship judge. We all agreed that this year's circumstances were unique & our regular judge backed out at the last minute.
- It was then mentioned that an additional Beef committee should be added to the schedule of meetings so that we can work out any items that might come up in the times between our normally scheduled meetings. The following months/ meetings were decided:
 - January 14th at 7:00pm in the Steam Thresher's Building
 - April 29th at 7:00pm. Location TBA
 - August TBA
 - September TBA
- Fair book rule book suggestions:
 - p 245: Remove Ian Gehret, add Madison Crawford in JFB. Committee members- remove Deanna Hunt & Jason Manning. Add Gary Gehret, Tim & Connie Rhoades, and Luann Mann.
 - p 247: #15 Rules Committee should be: Brittany Voke, Polo Perez & Jenna Godown. Alternates are: Tia Grillot, Lori Godown & Madison Crawford.
 - P 248-249: Showmanship- add Beginners Division(first year showing) 8-9, Junior division :9-12, Intermediate division: 13-15, Senior division: 16 & up.
 - #4: Order of Showmanship will be:
 - Senior (16 & Up)
 - Intermediate (13-15)
 - Junior (9-12)
 - Beginner (8-9 First Year Only)
 - #5: The Beef Showman of Showman class will consist of current year winners from the Senior, Intermediate, Junior & Beginner Classes
 - p 249 : Beef Skillathon:
 - #1: Date is Monday, July 12th, Youth Building, 6:00 – 8:00 pm. There will be no alternate date.
 - #2: Remove statement "on either date"change wording later within that rule to state that topic will be decided by the Junior Fairboard.
 - #3 : Remove entire rule re: premiums
 - #4 : Ages should match the Showmanship ages listed above.
 - P 250: Cash Prizes for Grooming Contest are sponsored by the Darke County Cattleman's Assoc.
 - Outstanding Exhibitor –Junior age should be 9-12 also need to add Beginners Outstanding Market Exhibitor
- Other items discussed
 - Paper test for Skillathon vs. Hand-On Testing. We are to discuss with our clubs and report back their opinions at the January meeting.

- Dress-Up contest- should we try it 1 more year? Discuss also with our clubs and report at the January meeting.
- P 247 #19 within the Beef general rules states that , “ No screws, nails or painting permitted on the middle divider wall. “ It was brought to the OYLE management rules that several people screwed into the wood divider during the show. They were told by a Fairboard member that it was fine. The committee asked the Fairboard members to discuss it at their meeting & make the appropriate rule change as needed for future use.
- Jason Manning suggested that the Junior Fairboard consider holding the Showman of Showmen contest for 2020 at the beginning of next year’s Fair. More discussion at the January meeting.
- Election of Officers:
 - Jenny C moved to elect Tim Rhoades as President. Tia G seconded. Motion passed.
 - Tia G moved to elect Jenny C as Vice President. Brittany V seconded. Motion passed.
 - Lori G moved to elect Gary Gehret as Treasurer. Jenny C seconded. Motion passed.
 - Brittany V moved to elect Tia G as Co-Treasurer. Jill G seconded. Motion passed.
 - Jill G moved to elect Brittany V as Secretary. Jenny C seconded. Motion passed.
 - Officers: Pres. Tim Rhoades, Vice Pres. Jenny Crandall, Sec. Brittany Voke, Treas. Gary Gehret, Co-Treas. Tia Grillot. Sale Committee: Luann Mann, Gary Goettemoeller, Mike & Linda Fourman, Jenna Godown, Madison Crawford (alternate).
- Tia Grillot moved to adjourn. Jenny Crandall seconded. Motion passed

Next Meeting: **Thursday, January 14th at 7:00pm** at the Steam Thrashers building.