



May 20, 2024 6:00 PM

YSSS Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Members in Attendance: Andrew Brinkley, Sean Booth, Madison Sotin, Kelly Routt, Robert Brinkely, Ed Mael, Shannon Spraker, Elisa Teal, Patty Muhlhauser

Absent Committee Members:

Others in Attendance: Elise Burton, Shanda Masterson, Vanessa Brinkley, Mary Gronley, Marissa Drayfahl, Gina Drayfahl, Josie Booth, Brian VanKeuren, Brian Taylor, Amy Greene, Dawn Knopp, April Bradshaw, Linda Cederblom

Call to order at 6:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of April Meeting Minutes

- Kelly moved to approve minutes; Sean seconded. Motion passed.

Public/Open Comment

- April Bradshaw had questions about the minimum weight for rabbits and why it was increased. Kelly explained that the new minimum weight was established for better carcass quality and shared some of the history.
- Dawn Knopp felt that the second information post that came out was well worded but that the first post was vague and caused concern in the community.
- Gina Drayfahl had questions about YQCA registration with expiration dates closer to the Fair. Madison will reach out to the state rep (Scott Nash) to get further information. May need to look at an earlier deadline for YQCA completion.
- Linda Cederblom had clarifying questions about YSSS vs 4-H rules, most specifically about YQCA requirement and confusing wording in the rules. The rules will be updated to clarify that exhibitors must have a current YQCA certification in order to show and sell.
- Brian Taylor suggested having information at final weigh in on ADG so exhibitors may request a re-weigh if they are "on the line".

Old Business

- Superintendents
 - Will work more on generator power, specifically for Jacklin building.
 - Add reminder to exhibitor pre-Fair email to bring their own generators.
 - Mike reminded everyone that motorized vehicles cannot be on the grounds before 8pm on the final Sunday of the Fair.
- Hog wash project - complete. Will add shortened hose and nozzles.
- Goat barn - still plan to spread crushed asphalt and purchase new panels for one half of the barn. Will try to work with 4-H clubs if any are looking for service projects.
- Awards update - Livestock Boosters awards are being designed and all other banners and buckles have been ordered.
- Small animal supers - Kelly will act as superintendent for poultry as well as small animal barn manager. Judges have been contracted.
- Exhibitor camping superintendent - will go forward with contacting and contracting an exhibitor camping superintendent to help enforce rules and assist with move in.

New Business

- Swine weigh-in planning and setup - good discussion about how to set up swine weigh in for most efficiency. Discussed equipment needs and it was suggested that backpack blowers be used for drying between animals. There were questions about bleach vs. chlorhexidine specifically for taggers. Elise will reach out to Dr. Christensen to clarify.
- Swine, goat, and lamb tagging - will tag all animals in the opposite ear of any existing breeder tags with preference to the right ear, when possible.



Barn Manager Reports

- Poultry - No report
- Rabbit - No report
- Lamb - No report
- Swine - No report
- Goat - No report
- Beef - Ed will walk Shanda through welding needs for the new wash rack and Shanda will help facilitate getting work completed.

Subcommittee Reports

- Policy, Rules and Regulations - Wording for re-weighs in the rules were reviewed and it was determined that it was sufficient and no further/additional policy was needed.
- Financial and Sale Review - no report
- Advertising and Marketing - no report
- Animal Wellness and Ethics - Andrew has been working with Dr. Christensen on a handout for lamb/goat fungus and what to watch for. He asked if anyone has pictures of fungus in early stages to please forward them to him. Andrew will also reach out to Dr. Christensen about the idea of quarantining potentially contagious animals but allowing them to stay on-site during Fair.
- Show Production - Sean will set up a meeting with the subcommittee to begin planning. It was suggested that Mike Harral be included for streaming/sound considerations.
- Hospitality - Patty will be the contact for Terre. Good discussion about the number of lunches realistically needed. Patty will work with the subcommittee to begin lunch planning.
- Processing and Animal Movement - Processors are on board and will bring them together in June to finalize details they will need.

Adjournment

- Kelly moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20, Patty seconded. Motion passed.
- Next meeting June 17, 6pm