**4-H LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA – November 12th, 2024**

Call to Order 6:00pm

Sign in Sheet

Jordan Grindheim

Carrie Bartos

Yvette Hersel

Grace Bartos

Grey Bartos

Carmen Wichman

Lexie Wichman

Trevor Gervais

Keegen Gervais

Josh Gervais

Kaylynn Gervais

Brittany Gervais

Cooper Gervais

Johnnie Schultz

Marti Schultz

Mason Schultz

Wyatt Schultz

Tanner Vanek

Mike Vanek

Alyssa Vanek

Mardi Linhart

Leslie Long

Macy Long

Jared Long

Alex Long

Nathan Long

Jack Gillett

Julia Gillett

Amanda Gillett

Caitlynn Poser

Bentley Obergfell

Tammie Poser

Charlie Ahlgren

Larry Hagenbuch

Laredo H.

Cody Ream

Nick Schultz

Cory Poser

Corry Arntzen

Gisele Yager

Hailey Gallagher

Chris England

Josh Stroh

Jondie Hodge

Judi Martin

Sonya Gregory

Davey Storfa

Leighton Stroh

Lyle Shammel

Charlie Ahlgren

Minutes

The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Finance Report

Current Balance — as of today $ 5,647.21

* + Sound System: $ 4,674.73
	+ Restricted (Awards): $ 4,691.54
	+ Checking Outside Other: $(3719.06)

Sale money breakdown:

$417,060.10 Deposited Checks

$404,777.82 Checks Written

$12,282.28 3% commission

$183.50 Small Animal

$12,098.78 Large Animal

The financial report was approved by unanimous vote.

Old Business

* Vote on Policy Changes
1. This policy presented by Marti Schultz would prohibit the use of personal speakers in the livestock barn. By regulating music played in the barn, the chances/instances of music deemed inappropriate, or offensive would be mitigated. This policy change failed (Yes;28 vs No;29).
2. This policy change was presented by Johnnie Schultz and would add a description of slick sheared to include “wool on face, legs, and belly. Any lamb not meeting this requirement will be placed at the bottom of the class by default.” This policy change did not pass (Yes;6 vs No;32).
3. This policy change was presented by Johnnie Schultz and would reduce the number of sheep required (to 5) for class breaks. The aim of this policy change would be to increase the number of market lamb classes in order to place lambs in more similar classes. This policy change failed (Yes;15 vs No;22).
4. This policy change was presented by the Schultz family and would add a Fergus/Petroleum County born and raised showcase class. Animals the born and raised in the county would be able to compete for a “Locally born and raised” prize. The aim was to encourage more youth to pursue their own home raised projects and/or support local producers. This policy change failed (Yes;13 vs No;28).
5. This policy was presented by Tammie Poser to get rid of the Super Animal Awards. By getting rid of this award funds would be able to be used for other expenses and less labor would be required at fair. This policy change passed (Yes;24 vs No;17).

Although not a policy change in the book, Jeremy England proposed increasing the fee of animals sold through the Youth Livestock Sale from 3% to 5%. After some discussion this change did not pass.

* Officer Nominations/Elections

Chairman: Cory Poser

Vice-Chairman: Josh Stroh

Secretary: Johnnie Schultz

 Nominated by Hailey Gallagher. Charlie Ahlgren moved to seize a unanimous ballot; Larry Hagenbuch seconded.

* Lexie Vanek

Lexie Vaken and family was not present so Cody Ream with the Extension Office presented what the family was asking for and a quick description of why that value was being requested. The amount being asked for is $3,500 as a value of the lamb that was killed along with the value of the lambs that the ewe would have produced for the remainder of Lexie’s 4-H career. After some discussion as to the amount requested and where the money would need to come from, Yvett recommended to table the topic until the family could be present at a meeting. Marti Schultz moved to table the topic and Judi seconded the motion. Gisele Yager amended the motion to be that if the issue is not resolved by the next meeting that it be removed from the table. The motion and amendment passed.

New Business

* Judge for 2025

No Judges were presented at this time. It was asked that if anyone has ideas/recommendations that they reach out to the Extension Office with names and contact information.

Other New Business

* Scale is good to go for 2025

The Extension office gave an update on the new scale. While cleaning the small animal barn last year, water got into the electronic connector causing a malfunction. Since then, the scale has been tested and now works. Moving forward care will be taken to ensure that the scale is not to get wet when the small animal barn is being washed.

* Josh Stroh Clinic Update

It was reported that the beef clinic went well and that the youth who attended found it beneficial.

* Fundraising Ideas?

Fundraising ideas was tabled

Next Meeting Date?: January 7, 2025