

1/18/2018 4-H Council

Attendance: see sign in sheet in office

Pledges were said

Shelma moved to approve the minutes (with corrections) of the previous meeting. Stacie Waid 2nd. Passed

Communications: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chuckwagon: (Jeff Ralph)

we have the money to finish the majority of the building. We are short approx. \$157,000 . Still working of money for the kitchen. Also still working on others for donations or help with the tiling, walls and fixtures. Only 1 issue with NW Energy still getting worked out. Clausen should start erecting the building on Monday (22nd)

The committee is wanting to have a Game Night fundraiser. It would be setup in the new building, with the food served outside, games setup inside to show off what we are still in need. Would tentatively be March 24th. Also the committee is asking all the clubs to sell Bequet Caramels. After much discussion, a motion(with amendment) was made to Allow the Chuckwagon committee to move forward with the Game Night Fundraiser and the caramels fundraiser. (Amended) That the income off the Carmel fundraiser be the startup funds for the Game night fundraiser. T Velk, Josh passed (amendment passed)

Livestock:

read over committee report. Policy changes that were approved at august meeting need council approval, regarding parasite control and grammatical changes. (see attached) Toth moved to approve, A Velk 2nd, Passed

New "Call Back" ribbons were discussed to be added to fair market and showmanship. Travis brought up that if we add that to animals these ribbons need to be added to ALL categories. Motion to Add Call Back Ribbons to ALL classes starting 2018 fair. Karla, 2nd by Velk. Passed

Livestock has asked to change the paid weight of swine to 310 pounds. Disscussion was made on this topic as to why the increase was needed when we promote an exceptional product not a heavy product. Motion to deny recommendation swine paid weight increase. Stacie, Jeff brown 2nd. Passed

Ambassadors:

Angelina attended National 4-H Congress, Syndey was 2nd at the Steer of Merit State competition. Council would like both of them to attend Rec Lab in Thompson Falls in March.

Fair Board:

no report other than the Board has ZERO money as the manager has been spending (against board approval) and not bring in any income.

Exchange:

Their fundraiser dinner made over \$8700. !! They will be heading to AZ in June.

OTHER:

District 2 Council Report:

Shelma moved off council- Amanda moved up- Cody Solomon was placed on council.

MT Council:

they want to redefine purpose and obligations.. new training and recruitment.

Leadership is down but membership is up.

OLD BUSINESS

Adopt – a – park:

tabled until next meeting

NEW BUSINESS

Quorums... does it pertain to committee meetings also?

Council meetings require a 2/3 club presence. (which is 7 clubs need to be present) There is nothing written that committees need a quorum of any kind. As they have to report to Council to have any requests approved.

Office Deadlines:

everyone, (clubs, committees, council) need to comply with the 2 week office deadlines. So the office can comply with state deadlines.

Fundraisers:

Jasmine has to approve all fundraisers. Forms need to be filled out and approved. 30 days after fundraiser is completed, final paperwork has to be turned in.

Multi- County Camp – June 11-13

It was motioned that Hill- County attend the multi county camp in 2018. Toth, Solomon 2nd, Passed.

Election of Officers:

Existing: Chair – Carrie Molitor, Vice-Chair – Cody Solomon, Secretary – Kari Riley

It was moved to nominate unanimously Molitor and Solomon for their respective chair positions. Secretary position was open for nominations.

Alicia Velk was nominated, a motion to cease nominations by Shelma, 2nd travis, Passed. Alicia Velk was nominated for Secretary.

Club Bank Statements:

Agents want access to all clubs bank statements. They are giving us 2 ways to comply.

1. We add them on all the accounts and bring them copies of statements
2. we have the statements be mailed to the office, then THEY distribute them to the club.

Agent Reports:

There are 2 community service projects coming up:

Jan 27th, backpacks are being made to distribute, and they want kids to come help with a quilt sewing projects for the backpacks.

JoAnn fabrics (state wide project). Clover fundraiser

North40 – March 24 will be having a small animal/hobby farm animal workshop

January 23rd, 4-7pm. Project book work party at court house.

Meeting adjourned 9:19pm, Travis, Shelma 2nd

4-H Council Sept 21, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:02pm.

Present/Absent list: available at the office. Introductions were made around the room with so many new faces!

Pledges were said.

Dominique Preputin moved to approve minutes, 2nd by Krista.

Communications:

no communications

Welcome was given to the Four Bodies 4-H Club

2018 meetings: April – Rudyard, June – RockyBoy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Livestock-

None... next meeting will be Oct 10, 6pm

Krista- rodeo teams would like to make some changes to the barn, She will invite them to the next meeting to go over their ideas

Heardsmanship – fundraiser amounts not known at this time.

Foundation

3rd reading of Bylaws were read. Will be distributed at the end of year celebration as the Final Reading.

Ambassadors

Sydney O'Neill and Angelina Toth are the Hill County Ambassadors this year.

Scholarships

Amanda has asked the recipients for their grades, for funds disbursement. Skylar-Layne-TJ

Fair

Shylea survived. Fair went very smooth. Thanks to Amanda for all the work she did this year
date for next year: July 17-22, 2018

Chuckwagon

dirt work was started today (21st) to prep for concrete. The festival days float will have models of the new building,
Chirping Meadowlarks built the model. Will try and set up after the parade next to the teepee at the mall for people to come see it..

Exchange

will meet Sunday at 3pm. Week of June 17th, group will go to Pima, AZ. Limiting the total participants to 16. Jasmine wants to talk about multiply fundraisers instead of the dinner or other fundraising opportunities.

OLD BUSINESS

Adopt a Park

Krista will get back to working on this option with the City Council on what we as an entire group can do.

Project Books

concerns and improvements on where to go.

- Are the 7 activities a state rule

Shylea does not remember seeing 7 written, she does know it is 7 club meetings that are needed to be attended. There are 21 activities in each book, so each book will last 3 years doing 7 activities. But other things can be done instead of book activities. A short hand written report needs to be included if you are doing something outside of the book activity.

- How do you get the kids to do the books?

one book came in to the office for review with "Record Books are a pain" written in it. They can keep it simple, the activity books do not have to be elaborate.

- Deadlines

✗ May 1st is to early to have 5 projects done in each area. Can cant they turn it all in at the end of the 4-H year. Livestock supers could take "their" kids and have more workshops, for more hands on activities

Options: leave as is, require ½ activities due at interview day then rest at end of year, all due at end of year. Do we set guidelines on how to fill them out? Do we need a standardized system? It was pointed out that these activity books are THEIR books, they should fill them out how they would do it, not be told how to fill them out.

Shelma- would like to see that at least have them be due after school is out. The kids should not have to worry about end of year school tests on top of 4-H activity books.

Dominique moved: 3 activities need to be turned in by May 1st, by June 15 all others need done. Krista 2nd. Passed

** need to reassure the kids that the 7 activities do not need to be from the book. They can be from outside sources but they NEED to write something up and place it in their books for credit.

Other

None

NEW BUSINESS

Cloverbud workshops

would like to put together a group of all the cloverbuds and do their own activities. (2nd Sunday of the month) at different locations. Working with them in a group setting together at this age should help with keeping them in the program. Age appropriate activities, learn pledges and filling out their activity books

State horse show sponsorship

Aug 28th, the program asked 4-H to be a sponsor of the show. Stacy moved to take the letter to the Foundation for them to decide to support or not. Dominique 2nd. Passed

Other

Shylea stated that we are allowed to use the 4-H emblem for fundraising AS LONG AS it benefits 4-H. there are other rules that need to be followed so please come see her if you are wanting to use the logo in a fundraiser.

Meeting was adjourned. 8:21pm Dominique, 2nd by Krista

4-H Livestock Committee Minutes

December 12, 2017

Attendance: Chair Kodi Peterson, Vice-Chair David Bischoff, Secretary Jasmine Powell, and Superintendents – Scott Chagnon, Jon Molitor, Lisa Toth, and Amanda Powell. Others in attendance were Alicia Velk, Sydney O’Neil, and Shelma Seidel.

Chair Kodi Peterson called the meeting to order.

The Pledges were recited.

Lisa Toth moved to approve the **Minutes** as presented from the October 10, 2017 meeting. Alicia Velk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Additions to Agenda – None.

Communications – None.

Committee Reports:

Beef – Scott reported weigh-in was on December 3, 2017. There are 23 members in the beef project, including 1 mini beef. There were 34 steers weighed in. There were 3 bulls weighed in and they have two weeks to get the matter taken care of. The B tag mini has horns. This animal will be watched for growth on the horns.

There will be one beef showmanship class at the Fair this year to include regular, mini, and beef breeding.

Swine – Jon wants the LQA training on February 25, 2018 to include a parasite control regime and withdrawal.

Sheep/Goat – No report. There will be a project book workshop in January.

Horse – Kayla Waid needs to be invited to our meetings.

Dog – Will check on final enrollment numbers before moving forward in finding a superintendent.

Small Animals – No report.

Herdsmanhip – Kodi reported that the plaques are at Master Sports getting the plates mounted and winners engraved for the last two years.

Instead of giving showmanship plaques it was mentioned that maybe we should give halters with engraved plates – need to look into cost.

Old Business

Policy and Procedure Handbook – Final review on mini-beef section and parasite control regime.

Ways to alleviate dropping animal numbers – Scott wants us to keep this idea on file - putting in a facility at the fairgrounds for town 4-Hers to rent a stall to raise animals.

Non-animal Sale Items in Sale Order – Club input – the consensus is to have a separate table in the Chuckwagon and set it up as a Silent Auction with bid sheets. Sydney will ask the Fairboard if this is an acceptable idea.

Certified Scale – Jon will check with CHS on the progress.

Call Back Ribbons – Alicia moved we use the purple gingham ribbon with “Call Back” printed on the ribbon. Sydney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Swine weight to 310# sale weight – Sydney moved we raise the paid selling weight on swine to 310#. Alicia seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business

Election of Officers – David Bischoff is stepping down as Vice-Chair as he will be gone in July.

Chair – Kodi Peterson

Vice – Chair (Kodi will contact Brad Holland and/or Ryan Riley)

Secretary – Jasmine Powell

Superintendents – Beef – Scott Chagnon
 – Swine – Jon Molitor
 – Sheep/Goat – Lisa Toth
 – Horse – Kayla Waid (Amanda will ask)
 – Small Animals – Amanda Powell
 – Dog –

Other – Sydney O’Neil is in the “Top 5” in the Montana Steer of Merit contest. She will be presented with her final placing at the Montana Stockgrowers Association Convention in Billings on December 13, 2017.

Cable in the Beef Barn – is a safety issue to people and animals. It was suggested to put panels in front of the cable, but that idea has issues too. Scott would rather move the cable. Scott and Sydney will develop a plan and get back to us.

Announcements

Next Fair Board Meeting is Tuesday, December 19th at 5:30 p.m. in the Timmons Room.

Next Livestock Committee Meeting is Tuesday, February 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the Timmons Room.

Adjournment – Jon moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Next meeting Agenda Items – Fair Weigh-in from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m.
 – Fair Judges – Ashley Hartman (verbal “yes”)

Miniature Beef Project Evaluation – It was moved and seconded to present at Council three divisions for the Market Steer project. 1) Mini – 42" in height and below; 2) Mid – Over 42" up to 48" in height; and 3) regular market steers with a minimum weight of 1000 pounds. Members must choose 1, 2, or 3 at the time of initial weigh-in which is typically in December. If a member's steer outgrows choice 1 or 2, the animal will be placed in a Feeder Class and will not sell through the livestock sale. If a member's steer in choice 3 does not weigh 1000 pounds at the Fair weigh-in it will be placed in a Feeder Class and will not sell through the livestock sale. Choice 3 is also limited to be paid only on 1500 pounds at the livestock sale. Motion carried.

Approved by 4-H Council at September 2016 meeting.

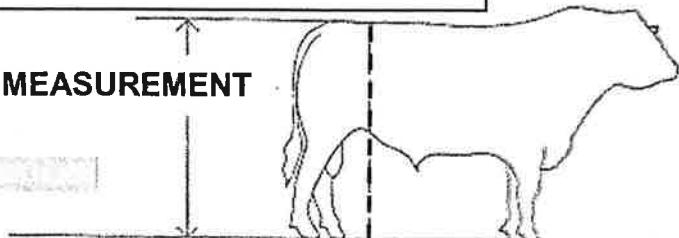
-BEEF-

1. Market beef must be born after January 1 of the year in which it is weighed in.
2. The market beef project calf must be in member/exhibitor's possession on or before the official weigh-in date set by the livestock committee.
3. Steers and **spayed heifers** are eligible for the market beef class. All animals must be completely neutered or spayed prior to weigh-in and tag deadlines. No stags/bulls will be allowed.
4. Horns or scurs on market cattle must not exceed 2 inches in length and NO fresh dehorning wounds will be allowed.
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 - 2) Mid – Over 42" up to 48" in height; and
 - 3) Regular market steers with a minimum weight of 1000 pounds.

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The hip height measurement should be taken at the point directly over the hip bones (hooks) with the animal standing on a level surface.

HIP HEIGHT MEASUREMENT



6. Members must provide a bill of sale for market animals at pre-registration.
7. A halter and a neck rope are required to eliminate loose animals.
8. Member age requirements are as follows:
 - Market Beef – 10 years old by October 1 of project year.
 - Breeding Beef – 10 years old by October 1 of project year, limited to project animals under 2 years of age at fair time; 11 years old by October 1 for all remaining beef breeding projects.
9. Beef breeding classes may be combined with similar breeds at the discretion of a committee consisting of:
 - a) County Extension Agent
 - b) 4-H Beef Superintendent
 - c) Representative of the breeds being considered for combining.
10. A beef member must be enrolled in 4-H by the official weigh-in date and must have their market beef ear tagged by official weigh-in date as posted in the 4-H newsletter.
11. **A picture of the beef (showing the ear tag) must be turned into the MSU Hill County Extension office by date designated by the livestock committee.**

HILL COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW GENERAL POLICIES

1. The Montana 4-H program recommends that animals be handled in a proper and ethical manner in accordance with accepted modern animal husbandry and scientific practices. In addition, adequate care, including, watering feeding and comfort should be appropriately provided for all animals. Any individual treating an animal in any other manner may be asked to leave the grounds. See code of conduct on page 3 and 4.
2. Exhibitors, their parents, leaders and instructors have a serious responsibility to follow animal health practices that are approved by the industry and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to assure that meat customers are receiving wholesome food. Non-restricted health aids and other approved products should be used with care, according to prescribed practices, only when needed, and in the correct amounts.
3. The Montana 4-H program recommends that market animals meet the Food and Drug Administration regulations governing management and safety practices. Approved withdrawal times from health aids and growth promotants must be followed. Animals that have not met these standards will not be allowed to show or sell during any authorized fair related sale. The 4-H Livestock Committee strongly discourages the use of growth enhancing drugs (such as Optaflexx and Paylean).
4. **ALL** animals should be on a parasite control regime according to manufacturer's instructions or veterinary recommendations.
5. Use of any substance, such as but not limited to, natural, homeopathic, herbal or any pharmaceutics, whose purpose is to change the disposition of an animal is prohibited.
6. In the event an animal becomes sick or unmanageable during the fair, the decision as to whether or not the animal shall be removed from the premises shall be at the discretion of the Livestock Superintendents. Veterinary consultation is recommended in such situations, but request of same and any expenses incurred therein are the responsibility of the exhibitor.
7. Unsportsmanlike conduct, or abusive language or actions and/or abuse of any animal on the part of any 4H exhibitor, parent, family member, or leader may result in penalization by forfeiture of any award received and/or the 4-H member being eliminated from further competition.
8. The Hill County 4-H Livestock Superintendents reserve the right to accept or reject, entirely, partially or conditionally, any entry or application within the 4-H year. The Livestock Superintendents also reserve the right, to inspect all entries and dismiss any entries that would discredit the 4-H Livestock Shows at the Great Northern Fair.
9. Only 4-H members will be permitted to care for and show their animals. Each exhibitor must show their own animal. Other 4-H members may be of assistance to members. MINIMAL assistance will be allowed by parents and other adults.

-FITTING AND SHOWING-

SAFETY HAS PRIORITY OVER ALL RULES CONCERNING 4-H MEMBERS AND THEIR ANIMALS

1. No substitutions and no switching of animals and/or ear tags.
2. Livestock entries from each club will be exhibited together.
3. Each member will be responsible for cleanliness of area occupied by his or her animal and equipment.
4. Animal pens must be cleaned each morning and maintained by the member throughout the day.

Herdsmanship Progressive Discipline:

1. **4-H member will be warned by the superintendent.**
2. **Organizational leader or designee will be talked to about the problem.**
3. **Livestock committee superintendents will meet and consider dismissal of the project from the fair.**
5. Tack boxes and equipment are to be kept only in designated areas.
6. Exhibitors must show their own project animal in showmanship no substitutions or exceptions.
7. All 4-H members' age groups are considered as of October 1st of current 4-H year.
8. Exhibitor numbers must be worn while exhibiting animals in any class.
9. The 4-H Livestock Superintendents must approve exceptions due to special circumstances regarding the showing and selling of 4-H project animals in advance of the show or sale.
10. An individual may sell only one (1) market animal per single lot number at the Livestock Sale.
11. **All livestock exhibitors should attend the livestock exhibitors meeting at the fair. Parents are encouraged to attend. (Usually held Thursday of the fair after weigh-in, and crowning of the 4-H Queen and Teen Representative.)**
12. All members carrying a livestock project must attend quality assurance training before they are eligible to show/sell their animal at the fair. Members must take the training every two years.
13. Market animals not meeting minimum weight requirements will be moved to a feeder class and unable to sell at the 4-H market livestock sale. (Members are allowed to advertise their animal for sale the day of the market livestock sale.)