

Unofficial Minutes
4-H Ag Livestock Committee
March 16, 2020

The Ellis County Ag Livestock meeting was called to order by Kylee Pfeifer.

There were 9 members and 10 adults present. Kaden Haas, Sheena Klaus, Dakota Metzler, Kinley Pfannenstiel, Kylee Pfeifer, Dalton Robben, Lindsey Scheck, Blaise Staab, Laycie Haas, Dean Klaus, Julie Miller, Jill Pfannenstiel, Chandra Pfeifer, Melissa Robben, Justin Scheck, Nathan Staab, Stacy Campbell and Susan Schlichting.

Secretary Kaden Haas read the minutes from the previous meeting.

Kylee Pfeifer gave the Treasurer's report. The ending balance is \$7,141.44 after expenses were written out.

In the Small Animal Update they have created a video for the LDI contest to try and win \$1,000 to help with the cost of fixing up the chicken barn. Voting for this contest will be open from May 1-8, 2020.

Fairboard member Jill Pfannenstiel reported that the chicken barn has been torn down and they are working on rebuilding it. She also stated that the Spring Show is still on for now and will give updates on anything if/when it changes.

Susan Schlichting stated in the Agent Report that things are changing by the hour as to what we can and cannot do. Please be sure to check for notifications through email, the county facebook page and the website.

In Old Business:

- It was moved by Kaden and seconded by Dakota to approve actions taken at the last meeting.
- Regarding the Beef Ultrasound Contest, it was moved by Kinley and seconded by Kaden to pilot a Beef Ultrasound Contest. It will be optional to take part in, it will be its own class in the fairbook, and it will take place on Monday night during the weigh-in. John Jaeger has offered to do this free of charge.
- A motion was made by Kaden and seconded by Kinley to make it optional for animals you bring to the fair to be used in the Livestock Judging Contest. The Ag Livestock Committee will be working on finding a committee that is willing to put together classes for this event and if unable to do so, this contest will not take place during the fair.
- Showmanship classes were discussed-it was moved by Lindsey and seconded by Kaden to include 7-10 year olds in the Junior class, 11-13 year olds in the Intermediate class, and 14-18 year olds in the Senior class.
- Changes to the Livestock ID procedure for Dairy Goat and Poultry were approved and a motion was made by Lindsey and seconded by Blaise to accept the changes.
- Due to the restrictions made in face to face meetings, the YQCA meeting has been canceled and a motion was made by Kaden and seconded by Dalton to make this training an optional thing for 4-Her's in Ellis County to complete for this year.

In New Business:

- Kaden made a motion and Dakota seconded for 4-Her's involved in the Small Livestock category to buy their tag and send in a picture of their animals with the tag in ear. Lindsey made a motion of a June 1st deadline for that to take place and Kaden seconded the motion.
- Lindsey volunteered to contact the photographers we used last year to take photos again this year. She made a motion and Kaden seconded to approve those individuals for photography again this year.
- Kaden volunteered to get ahold of the auctioneers not covered by other members. Lindsey moved and Kaden seconded to use the same auctioneers as last year.
- It was decided to put the Fitting, Showing, and Judging Clinic and the Vet Tour on hold for this year.

The theme this year is Affordable Fun at the Ellis County Fair. Commerce Bank is sponsoring the Herdsmanship award this year. Start brainstorming ideas with your club to make the barns fun.

Kaden volunteered to make this report at the 4-H Council meeting April 6th.

Due to the restrictions of face to face meetings, there will be a Doodle Poll sent out to hopefully hold our next meeting in person sometime in May.

A motion was made by Kinley to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kaden Haas, Secretary