

4-H Outdoor Committee Meeting- minutes
November 6, 2023
Bill Hamilton Building @ 5:30

Attendance: *David Hamilton, Katie Grady-Selby, Lisa Grady, Michelle Eckhart, Jana Gruber, Mat Walter, Emily Scruggs, Larry St. Clair, Valerie St. Clair, William Sullivan, Laurie Sullivan, Jennifer Hamilton, Brandi Dearing, Georgina Webster, Rob Pentecost, Daisy Feight, Lexi Edwards, Sara Dearing, Brandon Dearing, Emily Dearing, Karyn Hamilton, JoEllen Wood, Georgian Webster, Becky Graham*

Minutes from October: *Stand as approved.*

Superintendent Reports:

- Beef – *There are 44 kids enrolled and 7 breeding members. Larry will work on getting a livestock inspector at steer tagging.*
- Dairy – *Will do health and conditioning clinic on December 16th at 1pm.*
- Dog – *There are 37 kids enrolled with 42 dogs. Dog classes start on Friday night for the remainder until summer. Looking for indoor carpet to start using the BHB.*
- Goat – *Getting kids registered and will have another brand new family joining.*
- Herdsmanship – *N/A*
- Horse – *Have 21 kids enrolled. Have 1 judge lined up. Will be working on sponsorship letters. Jana will send Emily and Lexi the info to help Becky.*
- Livestock Judging – *2 juniors and 2 seniors attended the Nile. Only Montana team to place and the next event is in 10 days.*
- Poultry – *Had meeting October 22nd with 22 kids. No November meeting and December meeting is pending.*
- Rabbit – *Have 14 kids signed up and 1st meeting is November 27th at 5:30 about rabbit care.*
- Round Robin – *We would like to propose having all species under one tent next year instead of spread out. All judges have been contacted and the signed contracts should be back in January. We met and made the forms clearer to understand.*
- Sheep – *Have around 35 kids signed up. Send welcome e-mail out explaining everything.*
- Swine – *We have almost all our workshops scheduled. Its once a month and still working on a few.*
- Extension Report – *Please make sure if you have any adults helping with a project that they are enrolled in zsuites for insurance purposes. QA is December 16th and Samantha Ferrit is coming to help and Emily is looking for volunteers. Lexi is working on the list of who needs to complete for this year.*
- Other Reports: *Matt explained that the building is getting rekeyed and only certain people will have keys. They are looking at putting up ring cameras eventually.*

Old Business:

- *Mandatory Workshops(passed at council)- Outdoor discussed that each workshop can only count towards one specie. If you are enrolled in two market animals you will need to attend four total workshops. QA does NOT count towards a workshop. Larry can declare if a weigh in for beef counts or not.*
- *Mandatory Beef weigh in two weeks prior to fair(went to Council/Clubs for passing)*
- *Tagging Dates*
 - *Beef - January 7 @ BHB Scale House - 10:00 to 12:00*

- Swine – April 21 @ BHB Scale House- 9:00 to 11:00
- Sheep – May 5 @ BHB Scale House – 1:00
- Goat – May 5 @ BHB Scale House 12:30

- Buyer Thank you's- *Dave supports turning in a thank you card before getting checks from selling animals or projects. Katie can help with exporting a list of buyers and add ons per a kid. Emily would like to do a thank you workshop after fair if kids want to show up. This agenda item is on the council meeting on Wednesday. Michelle made a motion that all youth must present a thank you card for any animals or projects sold. They will need to write this before or in the office before obtaining their check. Jana 2nd the motion. All were in favor and Dave will take this to council on Wednesday.*
- Other

New Business:

- Budgets- *Dave is reviewing the budgets.*
- Vet Checks- *Dave asked if we all were in favor of this. Matt explained 16 other counties already do it. Some animals should have not been shown last year. Everyone was in favor or pursuing this. Matt will work on looking for a vet and what else needs to be done.*
- Fair Book- *Look at the project books and what needs to be changed for next year.*
- Steer Pannels- *Clubs are ready to purchase new panels. Larry will start working on that.*

Announcements:

- Outdoor Meeting Dec 4th – *Meeting is canceled.*
- Council Meeting November 8th / 6:00 @ BHB
- Others