Mecosta County Junior Livestock Minutes

Date: Monday, May 20, 2013

Start time: 7:00 pm

- The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were lead by President Eric Voelker
- Secretaries minutes were read and approved
  - Motion by: Donovan Cramer - Second by Jordan Carrick
- Treasures report was read and approved
  - Motion by Jordan Carrick - Second by Donovan Cramer

Superintendent’s Reports:

- **Swine:**
  - Pigs need to be wormed 30 days before fair
  - Pigs need to be 220lbs by fair time. If they do not meet this, they will be hauled away for slaughter.
  - Mason County Hog Show is June 9, 2013.
- **Rabbits:**
  - Market Rabbit 2 week pictures due May 24,
  - 6 week pictures due June 21, 2013.
- **Poultry:**
  - Pallorym Testing $1.00 per bird this year
  - Cage set up for Rabbits and Poultry will be July 6 at 10:00, your club must be present.
  - Ducks can **NOT** use a pool, suggested to cut a 5 gallon pail in half and fill it with water.
- **Beef:** No Superintendent Report
- **Dairy:** No Superintendent Report
  - Moo Madness Clinic hosted by the Pine River 4-H Club of Isabella County will be held in Blanchard on June 14 from 9-3:00. Pre-registration is required.
- **Goats:** All Market Goats must have a Scrapies tag in the ear.
  - All Breed Stock must also have a tattoo.
  - June 29, 2013 is the State Goat Show at MSU Pavilion.
- **Lambs:** No Superintendent Report

- If you are showing and selling a Market animal you MUST be present to sell your animal. Sale day is Saturday July 13, 2013.

- Completed Record Books **ARE** required in order to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction, all record books are now on-line.

- Project Books are separate from Record Books they are **NOT** required.
• Educational Requirement Tracking Sheets are due in the Extension Office by: July 1, 2013.

• Dr. Pol’s recorded session with Mecosta County 4-H will air on National Geographic Wild during the fall season between session 6 and 8.

• The 4-H Council is looking for a summer assistant to work in the 4-H office part time, qualified applicants need to be of college age, applications need to be turned into the 4-H office by the end of May.

• Educational Committee Report:
  o Herdsmanship Revised: Fairboard is requiring Herdsmanship and Barn Duty this year.
  o Barn Duty Lanyards to be worn by the member on duty. There will be designated lanyards, clubs need to make their own lanyards. An example lanyard will be provided at the next Junior Livestock meeting, the example given was a big orange medallion hanging from the lanyard.
  o It was suggested that club t-shirts be worn by those on duty in place of the lanyard.
  o Herdsmanship judging will be done by 10:00 each morning and by 8:00 each evening.
  o Judges will notify the club leader of dirty pens or animals without feed or water, the member will have until noon to rectify the situation.
  o A yellow zip tie will represent a warning.
  o A RED zip tie represents a deduction of 25 herdsmanship points.
  o Any individual receiving 3 RED zip ties may not be allowed to show the next year and or premiums may be taken away, this is TBD.
  o Show Day: Herdsmanship judging will be off limits for that particular species.

• Sawdust will be available from Tulley Creek for $960.00, the horse clubs will pay for half the cost.
  o Motion made by Jordan Carrick, second by Donovan Cramer to purchase the sawdust from Tulley Creek.

• Missing RFID numbers:
  o A list of members who are missing RFID numbers in the extension office was given to each leader. A total of 19 members are missing RFID numbers, some have more than one animal lacking an RFID number on file.

• Fair Week Assignments:
  o Photo Spot: Barnyard Bunch
  o Canopy Set Up and Tear Down: Country Cross Roads & Outback Riders
  o Set up Livestock Arena, following Beef Weigh In:
  o Set Up Arena for Auction (Saturday a.m.) Black Hills
  o Break Down/Cleaning Arena Following Livestock Sale: Stanwood Pioneers
  o Wash Arena Signs: Paws and Claws
  o Beef Barn Canopy: Pine Grove
Thank You Cards- Following the Fair to supporters and Donors:

- Arena Area Clean Up Daily during fair week:
- Buyers Luncheon Set-Up: Morley Stanwood
- Buyer Check-In:

- **Buyers Luncheon:**
  - New Catering Company: Lori Zimmerman Catering
  - Lunch will be served at 11:00
  - Buyers can eat under the tent (like we used to) OR they can eat at ringside.
    1. Everyone will need a ticket in order to eat
    2. The buyers luncheon is for buyers only, we are not feeding members and their families unless there is food left over.

**MENU:**

Choice of Ham and cheese or Turkey and cheese sandwich
Choice of 2 salads
Choice of 2-3 desserts
Fruit
Bottled Water
Milk
Lemon-aid (supplied by Junior Livestock)

The cost to the Junior Livestock Club for the luncheon is $1,650.00

- The 4-H Dairy Booth is in need of workers during fair week. If your club would like to work a full day or a half a day contact Jamie Weeks.
- Mecosta County 4-H family fun day and picnic is Friday August 9 at School Section Lake Youth and Family Camp from 4-8:00 p.m.
- Mecosta County 4-H Great Pumpkin Fest is October 2013
- Exhibit Building Clean up is Tuesday July 2 and Wednesday July 3 from 5:30-8:00 p.m.
- Still Exhibits can be registered on site in the exhibit building Saturday July 6 and Sunday July 7.
- ALL 4-H Livestock and Horse registrations are due into the extension office by July 1, 2013.
- Next Junior Livestock Club Meeting is: Monday June 17, 2013 at the Mecosta County Fair Grounds at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
  - Motion made by Brooke Voelker - Second by Donovan Cramer

Respectfully Submitted:

Morgan M. Carrick
Junior Livestock Secretary