

Lapeer County 4-H & FFA Swine Department
September 12, 6:30 pm

Called to order: 6:35pm

Clubs present: Almont Swine, Clifford Road Runners, Freedom Hoggers, North Branch Finish Line, Rural Route, Flying Hooves (via speaker phone)

Secretary's report: Presented and approved with date correction.

Treasurer's report:

General Acct: \$1486.09

Scholarship Acct: \$969.70 (\$500 to be transferred to general for 2016 scholarship)

Arena Acct: \$435

Jackpot Acct: \$1098 (\$600 to be transferred to scholarship account)

Moved and approved to reimburse Michelle \$129.85 for fair supply expenses.

Business:

- **Fair Recap:** approx. 101 hogs exhibited by 59 youth, 19 cloverbud, 62 hogs/lots sold, \$3.85 av. Price/lb
 - Discussion of re-instating a Champion Homegrown class with awards.
- **Tagging 2017:** discussion and tabled until October meeting
 - Proposal #1:
 - County tags (with large numbers) and taggers (as available) to club leaders in March/April when tag registration fees paid.
 - Tag registration forms with photos due by May 1st.
 - All unused tags must be returned to superintendent by May livestock meeting
 - All swine exhibited at fair must have a USDA 840 tag when unloaded or exhibitor will be responsible for tagging their animal with an MDARD tag (provided by the committee) while in scale house.
 - Proposal #2:
 - All swine will be brought to the fairgrounds for tagging with a county tag at a date and time designated by the superintendents
 - Exhibitors will be tagging own animals with county tags (large numbers) and MDARD tags (if needed) Swine with USDA 840 tags do not need MDARD tags but will still need to be tagged with county tags
- **Judge Suggestions:** Get them to Michelle ASAP.
- **Award Suggestions:** Get them to Michelle ASAP.
- **Finance Committee:** Will meet before October meeting and set proposed budget for 2017 year
- **Jackpot Show 2017:**
 - Moved, 2nd and approved to host a 2017 jackpot show on June 3rd (subject to grounds availability)
 - Moved, 2nd and approved to use profit from jackpot show for scholarship fund.
 - Check with MSUE on what is needed to be compliant for MSUE financial and liability guidelines
 - Proposed changes: to allow show from trailer, limited pens available, possibly adding lambs
- **Sponsorship Program 2017:** finance committee to suggest 2017 sponsorship program
- **Fairbook Changes:** suggested changes presented with some discussion. All changes to be presented and voted on at October meeting

Meeting adjourned at: 7:35pm

Next meeting: October 10th, 6:30pm