

LAC MINUTES 4/9/2020

Chair Cheryl Nunnali called to order the April 9th meeting of the El Paso County Livestock Advisory Committee at 7:01 p.m. The meeting was held via Zoom due to COVID restrictions.

MOTION (Terri P.) to approve the March minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

REPORTS:

Treasurer (Wade C.): \$7224.53 in checking; \$1013.15 in money market

CSU Extension (Emily T.):

- Emily sent out an email for hog tagging; she is picking up DNA packets and ear tags and will establish a route for drop offs; Matt has been very helpful in posting videos on the website
- A check was sent to the office for a rabbit buckle, Small Animal Committee has been notified

Chairman (Cheryl):

- Cheryl appreciates how hard everyone is working with the youth during this trying time

Youth Council (Lora B.):

- The next Youth Council meeting will be an officer meeting on April 13th; the group is gathering info on what to do with the silent auction baskets; it is tentatively planned to hold the auction at fair or at a fall event

FFA (Wyatt C.):

- Nothing much has changed; everything has been postponed or canceled

Fair Board (Lori H.):

- Nothing much to report; Lori will discuss with the board about having a conference call; hoping to have a great fair this year

Sale Committee (Patty W.):

- The deadline for scholarship applications is approaching
- The committee is moving forward in gathering all bids for the bbq, photographer, and other services
- The committee received results from the buyers' survey and a number volunteered to help promote the sale
- Committee is moving forward as if there will be a fair

Beef (Linnea F.):

- Working on getting generators like last year
- State nominations have been taken care of for beef

Sheep/Goat (Sandra H.):

- The committee is figuring out how to do weigh in/tag in
- Committee is investigating what other counties and states are doing for clinics, not many except for nutrition

Swine (Matt Z.):

- Working on getting tags/DNA packets to youth

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Fund Raising:

- (Jean M.) Bike tour has been rescheduled for Saturday, Sept. 19th, all sponsors still interested
- (Wade C.) Still have 20 buckles not yet sponsored; still need \$1600 for breeding

- (Emily T.) Will add a list onto the website of what buckles still need sponsored and a form for potential sponsors to complete
- Beef wash rack wall (Sonya): has been informed a concrete wall will be cost-prohibitive; she presented a new idea to county officials; looking at reinforced steel attached to the existing columns; has one bid in \$2600-range to build on both sides of the pavilion, not just wash rack side (Tim's idea for aesthetics); Cheryl questioned with the state of the economy now, would it be more economical to enclose just the wash rack side; county wants to know if it's in the LAC budget or will donations be sought; many details still need discussed with Tim and Todd; Sheila questioned if there is a possibility of county funding some of the project; Emily suggested that Sonya continue researching the matter, even if it becomes a 2020-21 plan

NEW BUSINESS:

- A first-year family Zoom meeting will be held on April 14th, 7 p.m., encourage all first-year families to join the meeting, Karla will also be on the meeting
- A project leader Zoom meeting will be held on April 20th, seeking feedback to better support project leaders within the county

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Meinzer, Secretary