

**CSU EXTENSION 4-H in El Paso County
Small Animal Advisory Committee
28 May 2020 Meeting
Agenda**

Stacy K. Cantu – Chairman and Llama/Alpaca Superintendent
Dana McNair – Vice Chairman and Round Robin Superintendent
Samantha Taylor – Secretary and Rabbit Superintendent
Dawn Wheeler – Treasurer and Poultry Superintendent
Tara Cantu – Assistant Llama Superintendent
Laura Mayo – Assistant Rabbit Superintendent
Craig Dertien – Assistant Poultry Superintendent
Kylie Farr – Cavy Superintendent
~~Sarah Shilling – Assistant Cavy Superintendent~~
Danielle Dungan – Pocket Pets Superintendent
Open Position – Cat Superintendent
Alicia Christie – Dog Superintendent
Brian Christie – Assistant Dog Superintendent
Emily Tobler – Livestock Extension Agent
Kaleb Gramsch – Youth Council Representative

Guests:

Tera Taylor – rabbit project leader
Alison Ludwig - LAC

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:36 pm

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Dawn moved to approve the minutes as written. Motion was passed

- **Questions emailed:** The buckles ended up costing us \$125.00 each and the Company changed again
 - Answers from committee/extension office:
 - Business is still Corriente
 - Emily confirmed price - \$95 for buckle, \$10 for sponsor on buckle, \$105 quote. We need to make sure the shipping is also included (\$40 for shipping). As a committee need to vote what to use the additional funds

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for. In the past, we have always used them to pay for other awards like premier exhibitor.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT: Dawn reported:
Send checks to her. Payed for half the buckles. Emailed report, but didn't receive the document.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

5. REPORTS: SUPERINTENDENTS

RABBIT – Sam/Laura

- Rabbit Showmanship (virtual show) – discussed during new business
- For the safety of everyone's rabbits/rabbitries - No rabbit show due to RHVD-2
 - If any rabbit is in our barn and gets this deadly disease, all rabbits housed in the barn would need to be put down.
 - There are confirmed cases in wild rabbits in Calhan.
 - A vaccine is available, Kim emailed me to ask if I knew anyone that had over 40 rabbits that the vaccine could be given to
- Are we still doing small animal round robin? If so, Tara gave a great idea yesterday during the superintendent meeting to use a stuffed animal so no rabbits were brought to the fair grounds and rabbits project members could still compete for the buckles.

Rabbit judging team – Kylie reported:

- No rabbit shows due to COVID

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POULTRY – Dawn reported:

- All judges
- 46 exhibitors
- Tuesday trivia – close competitive kids - 10-13 participants almost every week

LLAMA – Stacy reported:

- 10 project members this year – 2 special needs, new family wanting to join but already past the enrollment add/drop date. (family has a child with special needs)
- Sending a lot of emails

GUINEA PIG – Kylie reported:

- Sarah Shilling – assistant superintendent is moving
- Cavy virtual show?
 - Same judges as rabbit?
 - We don't have a separate judge; however, if we could find a judge willing to do it for free, combine to do virtual showmanship the same way as rabbit
- Emily would like to know by the 1st or 2nd week in June which way cavy would like to go (in person show or virtual)
- Passed around the idea that since the rabbit show judge is no longer needed and is experienced with Cavy, could we use her to do both show and showmanship? The budget is already there for the rabbit judge.
- 12 kids enrolled, but how many will compete?

CATS – Nothing to report

DOG- Alicia reported:

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- Working on dog show for June (not having enough time for new members even with videos)
- Clinic instead of a show June 20th – 1 parent, 4 supers, 10 people total
 - Waivers filled out before approval, then every adult and member to have meeting approved
- Agility practices – 15-20 min time slots (working to get approval)
- Fair and State looking to do an open and advanced

POCKET PETS – Danielle reported:

- 4 Zoom meetings – 2 for demos
- 1 meeting with zookeeper
- 1 meeting with zookeeper and a chinchilla
- 1 more for showmanship

6. REPORTS:

FAIR BOARD LIAISON –

- No decisions were made
- Announced on Facebook – going ahead with the 4-H fair (posted from the county fair)
- Fair board is acknowledging 4-H with continuing to have a 4-H fair

SALE COMMITTEE – Dawn reported:

- Update on Photographer – Sales committee has booked a photographer
 - From SAAC, we voted via email to pay \$400, will be added to the treasurer's report

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- Selected Company to do BBQ – won't happen with new platform as far as offering something with buyers
- Possible Online Sale & Waivers
- Sale
 - Possible add on/premium only for market rabbits – still able to participate but sale will not be terminal. It would be buyers adding on money to support each youth. More discussion is needed, various questions came up, like how to do we know who has entered? What about the disqualified rabbits? (we will not have a show, so we won't know which animals are DQ'd)

EXTENSION AGENT – Emily

- MQA:
 - rabbit and poultry still must do this (published and is an extension policy).
 - Llama and alpaca doesn't have to do this, it was published wrong in an email.
 - Extension office needs the form from the test, keeps in office to help keep track
- Upcoming Scrapie's Tag Clinic
 - Sandy H. will be putting on a clinic (can get in trouble if an animal doesn't have one)
 - Clinic will be to understand the importance
 - Any animal without a tag will need to be removed from the grounds
- Upcoming Superintendents Zoom meeting
 - Holding Zoom meetings for project members – it will be a live Q and A session, as well as a post meeting

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- Fair Entry information
 - June 1 – 22
 - Supers can go in and register to see how it works
- Record Books – look for an article in the newsletter about the procedures with record books.
 - market can't be in same book as breeding
- All Animal ID's checked against 4H online
 - Horse, dog, breeding animals, llama/alpaca – established ownership with ID's
 - Working with families to get the ID's (not trying to punish members), can't show animal without the ID
- RHVD-2 update sent to Sale Committee
 - Info brought to the fair board too
- Fair entry money – collecting fair entry money – now online with one-time payment once it is approved. Line item to small animal, can't cut checks to committee
- Decision of County Fair – discussed during fair board, 4-H only shows this year
- Fair clean-ups – looking at what this looks like
- Judges – list of judges will be sent out
- Publishing dog and rabbit info in the newsletter
- Superintendent waiver/liability paperwork – 1st years to go into extension office to fill out waiver/liability, returning have already gone through training (filled out during the last superintendent meeting at the extension office May 27)

YOUTH COUNCIL – Kaleb missed the meeting, nothing new that he knows of

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Small Animal Awards at Achievement Day- Each

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Super/Assistant has a due out to Emily for an idea

Ideas shared per specie

- Llama – camlet knowledge award (general knowledge), design own performance, leadership award (leadership will be an acronym –all of small animal that may want to do this)
- Dog – They already do 3 awards, but maybe adding a virtual award (send in best dog trick, recall, longest sit/down stay)
- Poultry – Tuesday Trivia (Corriente has a trophy knife)
- Rabbit – Point/high point award, rabbit judging team award
- Cavy – point award, judging team (checking with extension office to see what things they need to get check off)

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- Rabbit Show/showmanship at Fair- Sam

Virtual showmanship –

- Wednesday, July 8th possibly
- Set up time slots – asking members to be there early in the waiting room of Zoom (Superintendent will monitor, 2 adults always need to be in the room)
- Charge for showmanship?
- Awards show? – move to another night, at fair grounds, a lot of discussion around this possibility. In the end, due to number of participants, it may not be feasible to have in person (virtual awards show?)
- Market needs to go through sales committee
- LAC Fundraising T-Shirt Sales – Stacy
 - Selling shirts
- No- PeeWee Shows this year

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- Tabletop New – Stacy
 - No interviews this year unless the numbers are increased immensely
- Will we have Vet Checks on 27 June? Emily is getting confirmation
- Fair Clean up on Hold – Emily is getting confirmation
- No camping this year- possible idea of decorating animal trailer/carrier (decorate your hauling device) – Cantu family would make ribbons, asked extension office staff if they could judge

7. UPCOMING EVENTS: Check newsletter for upcoming Zoom meetings

8. ADJOURN: 8:27 p.m. (Next meeting, June 28th at 6:30 via Zoom)