

# ***Small Animal Advisory Committee***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

October 29, 2020

### **A. Call to order**

President Stacy Cantu called to order the regular meeting of the Small Animal Advisory Committee at 6:36 AM on October 29, 2020 at the 4-H Extension Office.

### **B. Approval of Minutes**

- Dawn Wheeler moved to approve the minutes as correct
- Dana McNair seconded this motion.

### **C. Treasure's Report**

Given by Dawn Wheeler

Beginning Balance: \$5,989.21

Deposits: \$5,092.24

Expenses: \$230.24

Ending Balance: \$10,851.21

Actual SAAC Balance: \$6,178.98

Cavy Project: \$92.00

Rabbit Project: \$450.23

Dog Project: \$872.20

LAC: 2,460.00

HAC: 1,085.00

Table Top: \$585.00

### **D. Public Comments**

- None

## E. Superintendent Reports

- *Rabbit- Sam and Laura: Stacy Reported*
  - RHDV2 clinics for vaccination and 4-h discounts
  - Show rabbits: REQUIRED most likely
  - Maybe EPC clinic with affordable pricing
  - Maybe a risk form to sign
  - But too much exposure
  - Virtual Showmanship maybe
  - Like collecting health certificates
  - Further discussion will be needed
  - Market Rabbits will follow CSU and Superintendent protocols, protocols TBD
  - The trio must be uniform, same breed and variety
- *Rabbit Judging Team- Kylie: Kylie Reported*
  - Zoom trivia meetings
  - Sent out in Fast Friday when details are decided
- *Poultry- Dawn and Craig: Dawn Reported*
  - Trivia Prize Passed around
  - Pig Scale borrowed from a family
  - Purchase one out of funds 2 options
  - Coops are getting worn out
  - Cages sponsored by families
  - Previous years Premier Exhibitor tests for study guides
    - No because of reused questions
  - Can families donate money to hand out premiums at the achievement celebration
  - No cash money to kids from committee funds
- *Llama and Alpaca- Stacy and Tara: Stacy and Tara Reported*
  - Vaccinations and health care, toes, weight, dewormed, tick spray
  - 2 meetings
  - Got to breed alpacas while younger kids did records
  - Lexi Smart lost Click-Boom, her alpaca
  - It was broken, can't be amputated
  - Too much anesthesia for alpaca to handle
  - Move breeding age bulls back
    - move down to old cattle barns
    - Stall out of trailer instead
    - Won't happen behind superintendents back
  - 14 kids and number increasing
- *Guinea Pig- Kylie: Kylie Reported*
  - Cavy breeders support keeping guinea pigs out at fair all week
    - Location?
    - Rabbit Barn?
  - Funds to set-up new cages and other equipment
  - One belt buckle sponsor possibly

- Project leader for cavy Roxanne Gast or Tara Cantu
- Kylie only as last resort
- *Cats- None: No Report*
- *Dog- Alicia and Brian: No Report*
- *Pocket Pets- Danielle: Danielle Reported*
  - Meeting last week on Zoom
  - Hopefully new kids

## **F. Reports**

- *Fair Board Liaison- Lori: Dawn Reported*
  - Someone to replace Staci Star
  - No one in office
  - Covid Task Force formed
    - How is fair gonna look
    - Covid is not going away
    - Patty, Todd, Adam, and Johnathan
  - No Halloween Event
  - No Craft Fair
  - Living Nativity Maybe
- *Sale Committee- Dawn: Dawn Reported*
  - Rate of gain and carcass brought back hopefully
    - 5 placings 4 species
    - Beef is ultrasound
    - ROG is educational
    - Ultra-sounding vs Hanging weight
      - Both and compare
    - 2 years of both to gather data
  - Since ROG is educational should LAC pay for that
  - Swine is not allowed to go across scale because of Swine Flu
  - Since swine can't do it none should
    - This isn't fair to take away awards
  - Buyback program for swine instead
    - Most buyers don't want the buyback pigs because of
    - Donated meat program
    - Worked in other counties
    - Get 4 \$500 sponsors to create \$2,000 pool
    - This would pay for buyback hogs
    - Help food bank
    - Increases tax benefit
    - Provides food for needy
    - Food bank offered to cut and process
      - Are they USDA
    - Save the date and thank you cards for buyers with gift for holidays
    - Bids for photographer from now to January
  - Decide with committees if we should help support photographers

- What if college students get to take photos
  - We take bids
  - Without Livestock Experience it takes too long and it's not beneficial
  - Biggest problem is time because of all shows and length of days
- Spaghetti Dinner
  - Survey on how important it is
  - Getting rid of the dinner?
  - Eat at the barbecue instead
  - Newsletter or link sent out individually
    - Individual so it gets attention
- Dawn will send questions to Emily
- *CSU- Emily: Emily Reported*
  - Todd is in charge of the whole facility
  - Achievement winners got email and had to RSVP
  - Changed to Nov 14 with 75 people
    - 2 people will be allowed
  - Only Animals then
  - Maybe donuts and juice or something minimally touched
  - Starts at 10 am
  - Tabletop is working on it
    - Maybe visiting clubs
    - No star award
  - 4-H online 2.0 has been opened to CSU
  - Official date in Newsletter. Hopefully Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Setting have to be set up that's the delay
  - Livestock has talked about super-clinic for 4 main livestock species
    - December 5<sup>th</sup>
    - Conflict with officer training
  - Superintendent meeting next Wednesday at the extension office @ 6:30
- *Youth Council- Kaleb: Kaleb Reported*
  - Shooting Sports Committee held elections; no positions changed
  - District Leadership Conference is now held by each District; not statewide
    - Two sessions; \$5 admission
    - 1<sup>st</sup> session from 9:00-12:30
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> session from 1:00-4:00
  - Tabletop Committee is brainstorming award ideas for next year
  - District 3 elected a new secretary

## **G. Unfinished Business**

- Elections
  - Dawn moves to keep same positions except secretary
    - Kaleb Seconds
  - Dawn moves to suspend bylaws to allow chair and vice chair to serve and be a part of the same club
    - Kaleb Seconds

- Dawn moves to Elect Allison as secretary
    - Kaleb Seconds
- Change Nov and Dec meeting date
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Dec (3<sup>rd</sup>) and be November and December
    - Do party maybe to socialize
    - Increase morale
    - \$10-dollar silly sock exchange
    - Bring Dessert
    - In-person @ extension as of now
- Premium Lists
  - MQA needs to be rephrased
  - Awards Listed in each species
  - Emily will meet one on one
    - Show notes then
  - Big Changes
    - Barn cleaned by 9 o'clock
      - Most barns don't open until 8:30 to 9:00
      - Changed to cages cleaned daily
    - Stalling Fees removed for Alpaca
    - Premier Exhibitor
      - Email Criteria to Emily
        - Use livestock as a basis
      - Criteria was the same
        - Doesn't work
    - Divisional Points used in Horse \*Use as Idea
      - 5 points per class
    - Show Ring
      - National Code of show ring ethics
      - Junior refers to 18 and under not 8-10
    - Round Robin Show
      - Saturday or Friday
        - Up in the air
    - Fair Schedule
      - 10 am start time was liked for Market Shows
      - Survey had 50 responses
      - 70% wanted morning shows
      - Talk to supers
        - Buyers might not be open to buying without seeing the show
          - Small handful that would be affected
      - What would schedule look like
      - Market are not more important
      - Monday is Sheep
      - Tuesday is Swine
      - Wednesday is Goats

- Friday is Beef
- Either Jonathans plan or morning shows
- Spectators go all day and not want to stay all night
- Kids can't go to night events because of shows
- General Consensus; next step is bringing new schedule to fair board in December
- Pygmy/Dairy Goat is ok to move
- Photos due Exhibit Day (tabletop)
- Cats are using Danish method
- Pocket Pet Hopefully using buckles
  - Adding invertebrates
  - Add disclaimer that no poisonous animals
- Two Cavies per exhibitor
  - Move to 5 but adjust proportionally to enrollment numbers

## H. New Business

- 2 in person 1 –Zoom or 1 in person 2- Zoom
  - Decide meeting by meeting depending on topic
- Establish terms in by-laws
  - 2020 Voting Member
    - 10 people
      - Rotating Basis
    - Never changed positions really
    - No new people wanting to join
    - Train more people and free volunteers
    - Two or Three new people to join
      - Gerty Kranz
  - Reach out to clubs with small animal projects
  - Volunteers for 3 year term
    - Stacy
    - Dana
    - Craig
  - Volunteers for 2 Year term
    - Kylie
    - Danielle
  - Volunteers for 1 Year term
    - Tara
    - Allison

## I. Upcoming Events

- None

**J. Adjournment**

President Stacy Cantu adjourned the meeting at 8:46 PM.

Next Meeting will be on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.

Minutes submitted by: Kaleb Gramsch

**Respectfully submitted:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Secretary's signature*