

## FEBRUARY 2021 LAC MEETING MINUTES

The February 11, 2021, Livestock Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chair, Becky C at 7:01 p.m. The meeting was held at Latigo Trails Equestrian Center.

There were 20 people in attendance.

### REPORTS

- January Meeting Minutes – **Motion** (Wyatt C) To approve the meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Alison L and it was passed
- Treasurer’s Report – (Sonya V) – Beginning Balance: \$4,158.30 Checking Balance as of February 2, 2021 per FSB bank statement checking: \$7,444.76 Money Market Balance as of January 5, 2021: -0- closed. Balance of Entry fees Small Animal Account: \$2,460.00 Deposits: \$3,286.46 Checks Cleared: -0- Outstanding checks: 2489 Hallee Lopez \$40.00 Money Market account was closed January 5, 2021 and balance transferred to checking in the amount of \$1,014.46. The \$40 check for Hallee Lopez is to be added back into the checking account
- CSU Extension Agent (Emily T):
  - February 13, 2021 – Beef Tag In/Weigh In
  - March 6, 2021 – Animal Science event will be held at the CSU Extension Office. There will be a guest speaker, hands on clay structures and games. Look for link in the newsletter
  - March 8, 2021 – 1<sup>st</sup> year family Zoom meeting. There will be another one in April. Look for the link in the newsletter
  - Livestock Quiz Bowl Team – Jonathan V and Emily T will be running this. The goal is to win State. First practice will be on March 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Latigo Trails Equestrian Center. The goal is to have practices every Wednesday until June and to go to State. This helps 4-H members with the science portion of their projects. All are welcome to attend, but only Senior level 4-H members can compete. The Livestock Quiz Bowl teams consist of 5 members and there can be more than 1 team.
  - April 3, 2021 – Blow-N-Go show flyer has been emailed out to 4-H agents and members. Emily T will get it out to FFA members, as well.
  - MQA – 2 Events that will be classroom sessions. There will not be a trailer this year due to Covid-19. The events will be held on April 10<sup>th</sup> and April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - April 22, 2021 – Hog Tag Pick Up
  - April 24, 2021 – County Contest will be held at the CSU Extension Office – Competitions include Public Speaking, Demonstrations, Tabletops and more. The link will be in the newsletter
  - May 1, 2021 – Hog paperwork drop off
  - May 8, 2021 – Sheep/Goat Tag In
  - May 12, 2021 – Superintendent meeting
  - Fair Entry – the goal is to have it open on May 24, 2021 (earlier than usual) and it will close on June 11, 2021
  - June 16, 2021 – Livestock Office Meeting
  - June 26, 2021 – Fair Clean up
  - June 27, 2021 – Health Certificates – location TBD
  - June 30, 2021 – Stuffing Exhibitor Packets

- Species Meetings will be at 6:00 p.m. on the following dates:
  - Market Sheep – July 11, 2021
  - Market Goat – July 12, 2021
  - Market Swine – July 13, 2021
  - Market Beef – July 14, 2021
- July 9, 2021 – Superintendent meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- All market animal judges are booked
- Breeding judge is from out-of-state and Emily T asked LAC for \$150 stipend to assist the judge with travel expenses– **Motion (Sonya V)** Provide \$150 stipend to assist with travel expenses. Motion was seconded by Travis C and it was passed
- At this time, the intention is to have a normal county fair
- Chair Report – (Becky C.) Secured a judge for the Blow-N-Go for \$100.00 **Motion (Wyatt C)** to approve \$100 payment for the Blow-N-Go judge. Motion was seconded by Maddie U and it was passed
- Youth County Council (Maddie U) –
  - Planning a Winter Clothing Drive that will benefit the Vietnam Veterans of America. Once they receive their bins, it will go for 2 weeks
  - There are 4 people representing the Leadership Development Conference (LDC):
    - Richard B
    - Bella M
    - Katrina B
    - Maddie U
- FFA (Wyatt C):
  - Calhan-
    - Took 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the District X Quiz Bowl
    - Planning FFA week involving
      - 8<sup>th</sup> grade recruitment
      - Upper classmen quiz bowl competitions
    - Calhan vs. Cancer sponsorship to show support to their cause
  - Falcon-
    - Although Falcon is back to 50% in person with online still being an option, currently, in person learning is at about 25%
    - Allowed to have in person meetings
    - Not allowed to attend events at other schools so they missed the Calhan Chapter Quiz Bowl
    - They plan to attend CDEs (Career Development Events)
    - They will be using Pueblo Community College to do an AG Business class
  - Miami Yoder-
    - Oyster dinner will be Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at Miami Yoder School
      - \$10 for Adults and \$5 for children
      - Online Auction that will run from Monday, February 15, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. to Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Must register in Auctria (<https://www.auctria.com/auction/myauction21>) and register as a bidder to bid on items

- For more information, contact Mr. Payne at [nolan.payne@miamiyoder.org](mailto:nolan.payne@miamiyoder.org) or Miami Yoder School at 719-478-2186
- Fair Board: (Lori H):
  - Contracts are done for:
    - Races
    - Demolition Derby
    - Tractor Pull
    - Bull Riding
    - Magician/Hypnotist
    - Exotic Animals
    - Carnival
  - Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo is during the El Paso County Fair this year (July 14<sup>th</sup> – July 17<sup>th</sup>)
  - Fair Board Elections took place:
    - Lori H – Chairman
    - Gary P – Vice Chairman
    - Julie W – Secretary
  - Dana Jenkins was hired as the new Fair and Event Center Program Supervisor
  - Fair Board meeting is this Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
- Sale Committee (Patty W):
  - Rate of Gain Premium for Beef – will be paid by the Sale Committee. Similar Premiums will be paid by this committee for Swine (type of premium TBD by LAC), Rabbits and Poultry (type of premium TBD by SAC)
  - Springs Rescue Mission Buy Back for Swine – working on indemnification
  - 2020 Scholarship Disbursement is complete
  - 2021 Scholarship Form has been approved
  - Sale Rules have been approved
  - BBQ Proposal – a vendor has been secured for the sale
  - Photographer Proposal will be reported out by Subcommittee member, Alison L
  - Designated an Educational Events Committee
    - Topics
      - How to interact with buyers
      - Thank you letters
  - Planning a Meet & Greet event with Buyers if Covid-19 allows
- Superintendent's:
  - Beef – Linnea F
    - February 13, 2021 - Beef Tag In/Weigh In – Be there early! Help set up on Friday, February 12, 2021 at 4:15 p.m. Hot coffee will be provided on Saturday. Luke Ewing will be the Brand Inspector at this event since Kenny Burk had a death in the family. They will be there on Saturday at 7:30 a.m. to set up and weigh-in will begin at 8:00 a.m. Linnea will also bring the bucket of halters from last year for those who want to retrieve their halters
  - Swine – Becky C
    - April 22, 2021 – Hog tag in – pick up paperwork and tags from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Swink Hall. There will also be a presentation on tagging hogs. A classroom MQA will also be held on this day

- May 1, 2021 – Hog tag in paperwork drop off from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Owen's arena. Starting at 10:00 a.m. there will be a clinic on 'Driving Hogs' and you do not have to bring your hogs
  - Information on these events will be in the newsletter
- Sheep – Linnea F
  - Sandy H is working on having a clinic
- Goat – Linnea F
  - February 24, 2021 – Sandy H will have a Dairy and Pigmy Goat Zoom meeting
  - Sandy H is working on having a clinic

- Sub committees –
    - Awards –
      - Buckles for Breeding Reserve winners this year instead of monetary awards
      - Stall signs banners – 12 x 18 vinyl banners
        - Bids
          - Blessed T Creations \$960 - \$10 per banner includes shipping (96 total banners).
          - Blueline \$1300 - \$13.54 per banner includes shipping (96 total banners)
        - Banner budget is \$1000
        - **Motion (Wyatt C)** to approve the quote from Blessed T Creations for \$960 for the stall sign banners. Motion was seconded by Tara C and it was passed
      - Corriente Buckles will be used again this year for awards. They were exceptionally good to work with last year. The awards committee and superintendents will need to come up with 7 different styles of buckles this year.
      - Reserve Awards will be barstools with a leather top
- Public Comment – None

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

One LAC registered volunteer still needs to make payment to CSU Extension and will get with Karla W to get this taken care of

Rate of Gain check – LAC members need to think about ideas for swine. Currently, no counties are weighing swine due to biosecurity. Emily T will research this and see if we can weigh in swine and if not, she will see if other counties pay other types of premiums for swine since they do not do rate of gain. This is tabled until the March meeting.

Update on Sponsorship List – All LAC members were asked the status on what sponsors they have secured for the 2021 Awards.

Beef Tag In – Discussed in Reports by CSU Extension Office and by Beef Superintendent

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Animal Science-Structure – Discussed during Reports by CSU Extension Office, Emily T
- Livestock Quiz Bowl Team – Discussed during Reports by CSU Extension Office, Emily T
- Select Sale/Clinic for Beef – October 9, 2021 at the El Paso County Fairgrounds (Travis C) –
  - There will be a maximum of 12-15 head in this sale. The auctioneer has already been hired. The starting bid will be set (ie: \$1200 to \$1500) and if there is even one bid on the animal, it will sell. The sale will be in person and the sales commission will be competitive with online sales commissions.
  - A Feed Clinic will also take place right before this sale.
  - There will be a Select Sale Class at the 2021/2022 El Paso County Fair.
- Beef Hair Clinic – Travis C and Linnea F – Date TBD
- Swine Clinic – Discussed during Reports by Swine Superintendent, Becky C

- Photography Committee (Alison L) – Flying M Photography was hired to do the photography for the El Paso County Fair for the following reasons:
  - They were the lowest bid at \$4000.00
  - Offer unlimited downloads
    - Candids
    - Backdrops
  - Option for hard copy photo prints for those who prefer them over downloads for a cost
- The intent of the Sales Committee is to get full sponsorship for the \$4000 photographer fee, which they should know by April 1, 2021. If they do not, then the Sale Committee would pay \$1500 and is requesting that the Livestock Advisory Committee and the Small Animal Advisory Committee pay \$500 each. With this option, the 4-H members would have to pay a \$20 to \$25 flat fee for unlimited downloads. This request was tabled at this time. The Budget Committee will meet to discuss available funds and an LAC vote will take place via a Google Survey. LAC will have an answer regarding the \$500 fund request to the Sale Committee by February 23, 2021.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & FUTURE & SUBCOMMITTEES:**

- Beef Blow-N-Go Show – April 3, 2021
  - Photography Fund Raiser at the Blow-N-Go Show (Sonya V) – April B would take photos of the Seniors and create banners like they do with sports at the high schools. She is willing to give the LAC her cost for the banners and then the LAC could add \$5 to \$10 to the banners as a fund raiser. Terri P asked if she could take photos (for a fee) for younger 4-H members and Sonya V thought that this might be a possibility, as well.
  - Sample Donation Letter—Terri P submitted a donation letter for approval to give out to businesses to try to get donations for the Blow-N-Go concessions to offset the cost for supplies. Emily T and Karla W will review/edit and get this back to Terri P to distribute.
  - Emily T—El Paso 4-H members will take priority for this event as there is a limit of 175 people for this show (due to Covid-19 restrictions). She encouraged everyone interested to get their entries in as soon as possible
- Kiss the Grand Champion Hog Fund Raiser (Emily T) – At the El Paso County Fair, they would have buckets for loose change for each Livestock Superintendent as well as Emily T. Whoever gets the most change in their bucket, gets to kiss the hog!
- Sheep and Goat Clinics – Still in the works

Next meeting 3/11/2021

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.