

El Paso County Livestock Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

March 9th, 2023

7:00 pm

Latigo Arena

The March 9th, 2023 El Paso County Livestock Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chair, Becky Chamblin at 7:00 pm.

1. Minutes from previous meeting held in February.
 - a. A motion was made by Sonya Vandergriff to approve the amended minutes of the February 2023 LAC meeting. Motion was seconded by Kristen Burnside. A vote was taken, motion passed.
 - b. Treasurers Report –
 - i. Checking Balance as of February 27th, 2023:
 - ii. Balance Extension Education Account: \$2,856.39 is listed on the Budget sheet.
 - iii. Total balance in account is \$15,874.78
 - iv. Balance of Entry fees Small Animal Account for 2022 Fair: \$3,850.00
 - v. Account activity:
 1. Withdrawals-
 - a. \$250 petty cash
 - b. \$210 reserve county fair awards
 - c. \$75 Post Office box change
 2. Deposit-
 - a. \$740 sponsor money
 - b. \$840 sponsor money
 - c. \$1,562 redeposit of petty cash, sponsor money and money collected from beef weigh in.
 - vi. A motion was made by Shelly Zeiger to approve the February Treasurers report. Motion was seconded by Randy. A vote was taken, motion passed.
 - vii. A motion was made by Travis to reimburse Sonya Vandergriff for three award invoices paid to The Moody Heifer for \$291.38, The Clucklin Harness Supply for \$134.99 and Amazon \$259.74 for a total of \$686.11. The motion was seconded by Randy. A vote was taken, motion passed.
 - viii. A motion was made by Kristen Burnside to reimburse Travis Chamblin for purchasing a toolbox, two rolls of wire, cable and a lock from Lowes for a total of \$78.58 and \$94.83 to Amazon for reserve awards for a total of \$173.41 The motion was seconded by Sonja Vandergriff. A vote was taken, motion passed.

- ix. A motion was made by Bill Spurlock to remove \$500 petty cash for the Blow N Go show entry and \$750 for the Futurity pay out. The motion was seconded by Randy. A vote was taken, motion passed.
- c. CSU Extension Office – Emily
- i. St. Patty Day Parade is March 11th.
 - ii. March 12th Ground Poles Clinic
 - iii. Swine Clinic on March 17th, 6:00 pm at Latigo sign up on the Band App.
 - iv. The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on March 25th
 - v. Beef Blow N Go will be held on April 1st.
 - vi. MQA Dates are April 5th and 20th.
 - vii. A sheep workshop will be held April 10th at the Akers Building.
 - viii. County Contest is coming up on April 22nd. An officer recordbook check in will be done that day as well.
 - ix. Swine tag pickup will be April 27th at the fairgrounds, time to be determined.
 - x. We will have 4 Jr Superintendents for the 2023 El Paso County Fair.
- d. Chairman’s Report – None.
- e. Youth Council Report – No report.
- f. FFA Report –Sonya Vandergriff reported on upcoming events for the Calhan, Falcon FFA Chapters for the month of February. There was no report from Miami-Yoder FFA this month.
- g. Fair board – The February meeting was cancelled.
- h. Sale Committee – Patty announced that the Sale Committee adopted new rules for the 2023 and 2024 county fair sales. Please make sure you understand the new rules. The committee will be participating in the Boots in the Park event this coming weekend. The sale committee will be setting up an educational clinic for first time families to introduce them to buyers letters and interactions and thank you letters. The committee is looking for events to be a part of. Please let them know if you would like to have them at our event. They are working on getting a website up and also getting several social media pages setup as well. Patty gave Kristen the item that they are donating for the Blow N Go silent auction.
- i. Beef – Travis Chamblin reported that the arena and scale will be open on Sunday March 12th from 4 to 6 pm.
- j. Sheep/Goat – Linnea reported that Sandy is working setting up a showmanship clinic all goat in the spring when it gets wamer.
- k. Swine – Emily already reported on everything.
- l. Subcommittee Reports
- i. Awards Committee reported that all of the belt buckles are sponsored. Most of the reserve awards have been ordered. Sonya reported that she stopped by Murdoch’s to buy pig sprayers and got the entire purchase donated. Buckles are being ordered around April 1st. Awards are moving along nicely.

- ii. The scholarship application is due March 20th. There are currently only 3 seniors who have applied at this point. Let the seniors in your club know if they have not applied.

2. Public comment: None

3. Unfinished Business:

- a. Educational Programming: Emily is looking for ideas for 3 to 5 clinics per species.
- b. Riley Spurlock gave an update on the Jackpot Show that the Livestock Quiz Bowl team is putting on in June 17th. The banner design is done. Riley is working on getting a judge hired and a flyer built. Pricing will be: Showmanship \$10 at the gate, \$30/entry, \$45/late entry.
- c. Beef Blow N Go
 - i. Emily explained lowering the prices of entry fees to \$30 in order to cover the credit card processing fees.
 - ii. The announcer, judge, photographer and awards are secured.
 - iii. Online entries will close on March 29th on Eventbrite.
 - iv. Emily will be working on pushing the flyer out in the coming weeks.
 - v. Kristen has several food trucks and other vendors lined up to be on site for the show.
 - vi. Sonya made a motion to purchase back tags from Amazon. Travis Chamblin seconded the motion. A vote was taken, motion passed.
 - vii. A silent auction will be held during the Blow N Go. Bring Kristen your baskets to be auctioned off.
 - viii. Bill will ask Adam from the fairgrounds for tables, access to bathrooms/water.
 - ix. Emily will bring a printer.

4. New Business:

- a. Flying M Photography submitted a bid to design and provide banners for the 2023 El Paso County Fair. A discussion took comparing the current provider, T&B Legacy and Flying M. The subject was tabled until next meeting.
- b. Thank you cards. A discussion took place about the need for thank you cards. Sonya made a motion to purchase new thank you cards for the upcoming 2023 county fair award sponsors. The motion was seconded by Bill Spurlock. A vote was taken, motion passed.
- c. A discussion about the large/bulk item sponsors thank you's took place. The large banners have been well received by the sponsors. Kristen Burnside made a motion to purchase the sponsor banners. Travis Chamblin seconded the motion. A vote was taken, motion passed.
- d. There is no disinfectant in the Livestock office at the fairgrounds for sheep and goat tag in. Linnea volunteered to purchase the disinfectant and will be reimbursed.

- e. Sale pictures for swine at 2023 County Fair – The new schedule is not going to work out as currently presented. A proposal was made to reschedule the swine sale pictures to be taken on Tuesday and Wednesday morning and Poultry will be moved to another day.
- f. Next meeting will be April 13th at Latigo Arena.

The meeting was adjourned by Becky Chamblin at 8:13 pm

Respectfully submitted by Shane Goss