

Livestock & Dairy Committee Meeting – September 18, 2008

Meeting was called to order by President Steve Thelen at 7:45 pm

(See sign in sheet for members present)

American pledge and 4-H pledge were recited.

Secretary's report was read and approved.

Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Old Business

- A second notice has been sent to all buyers that have not paid. A third notice will go out on October 1, 2008. If no response then a decision will be made by the executive officers on payment to youth. Three animals still outstanding.

A review of the Youth Show Comments brought forth the following recommendations/suggestions...

- Vet Check
 - A discussion was had regarding the service received from the Vet at animal check in. The question was raised as to increasing the amount of service. This will go back to the clubs for discussion and will be addressed at the November meeting.
- Pre-schoolers on grounds during hauling in of animals
 - Jason J. made a suggestion to move swine haul in to Monday and beef to Sunday. This would help eliminate the danger for the pre-schoolers on Tuesday morning. This was tabled for further discussion at the November meeting.
- Swine Club Herd
 - After a brief discussion, Jason J. moved to change the swine club herd from 6 animals to 3 animals. Bev O. 2nd and motion was carried.
- Loss of Ear Tag
 - The extension office will develop a process to follow if you loose an ear tag for your animal. This process will be on a card and given to exhibitors at the time of weigh-in.
- Feeder Calves
 - Livestock leaders should solicit feedback from clubs to determine if there should be any changes to the sale of Feeder Calves
 - Discussion was had on the placement of Feeder Calves in the barn. Should they have their own section, should they be with the club beef display, or should they be with the club dairy display? This was tabled until the November meeting.
- Neck Ropes on Cattle

- Jackie M. will make sure that it states in fair book that all cattle will have a neck rope
- Selling animal out of order at auction
 - Should youth be allowed to sell animals out of sale order?
 - Terri C. moved that all animals be kept and sold in sale order
 - Stephanie F. 2nd motion carried
- Charge a 10% Penalty if Pulled from Sale
 - Jeff S. Moved to charge 10% of the average sale of the species to the youth that did not go through sale.
 - Bev O. 2nd motion was carried.
- Removal of manure
 - There was a cost savings of \$1,200 dollars with the elimination of the use of straw.
 - Cost to remove wood shavings was \$400.
- Cavy Show
 - It was suggested that the cavy show be moved to 3:00 or 3:30
 - No decision was made
 - There was a fatality with a Guinea Pig during showmanship
- Poultry
 - Poultry Supervisors are looking into adding an individual class.
 - Decision will be made at next Small Animal meeting in November

New Business

- Thank You Note
 - Thank you note was received from the Dairy Quiz Bowl members for the shirts that were donated.
- Junior Livestock
 - Thank you to all members for the outstanding job/assistance that each member provided to the Youth Show
 - Looking for new members, contact Mary H. or Kathy G.
 - New year kick-off meeting is scheduled for October `12, 2008 from 3:00 – 5:00 PM at the MSUE office.
- Election of Officers
 - President – Mark Summerville
 - Vice President – Jason Jedele
 - Secretary – Terri Cook
 - Treasurer – Bev Olberg

Next meeting will be November 5, 2008 at 7:30 pm at the MSUE

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terri Cook, Secretary