

AV Fair Livestock Council
June 3, 2008 minutes

Council member attendance: Debbie Bartels, Joel Briggs, Shirley Byrne, Don Cook, Derrick Hartman, Bev Horwedel, Mark Horwedel, Glenn Kuhn, Marlene Mattison, Carol Morris, Jim Nyholt, Pat Stevenson, Billy Ward

AV Fair personnel in attendance: Dan Jacobs, Deana Ward, Debbie Smith, Wayne Ramsey, Linda Ruby, Jerry Ruby, LeeRoy Halley, Baley Plascencia, Pat Wiggins

Notes:

- The meeting was called to order at 6:38 P.M.
- Bev Horwedel moved to excuse member Pam Lovett. Motion received a second and was passed by voice vote.
- Guests introduced themselves.
- Public comments: none
- Derrick Hartman moved to accept the minutes from the April 1, 2008 and the May 6, 2008 meetings as presented. Motion received a second and was passed by voice vote.
- Committee Reports:
 - Beef: Carol Morris and Glenn Kuhn reported that they had sent out e-mails about the upcoming exhibitor meeting. Glenn passed out market animal champion buckles for everyone to see. He has received the final bill. He also reported that the beef hoof trimmer did not work out and he suggested that exhibitors could contact Andrea Jones to see if she could help.
 - Sheep: Marlene Mattison and Debbie Bartels reported no new information.
 - Swine: Bev and Mark Horwedel reported that they and Wayne Ramsey got together to set a permanent location for the scale in the swine barn.
 - Goats: Don Cook reported now new information.
 - Show Arena: Derrick Hartman reported no new information.
 - Volunteer Coordinator: Pat Stevenson reported that the Antelope Valley Fair Livestock Council members have volunteered 93.5 hours of time on-site (at the AV Fair during council meetings), 82.5 hours off-site, and 12 hours have been spent during large livestock DNA collections. The application to volunteer for the 2008 fair is now on-line at the fair web site.
 - Finance: position open
 - Small Animals: Pam Lovett was ill and not at the meeting.

Auction: Billy Ward reported that Baley Plascencia had sent out a letter to a photography company (for the Kiwanis Junior Livestock Auction exhibitor pictures) and is waiting for a reply. He also stated that the buyer's catalog is coming along. He has been in contact with Betty Smith

- (AV Fair) but, he still needs to contact the Junior Grange organization. At this time, Shirley Byrne went over some additional responsibilities.
 - Secretary/communications: Joel Briggs reported that some complaints had been voiced that there had been some misuse of the e-mail list that is used to communicate information from the Livestock Council to 4-H leaders, FFA advisors, and Junior Grange leaders. He asked that this list only be used by the Livestock Council and the AV Fair and that it not be used by the general public for mass/group mailings.
 - Vice Chair: Jim Nyholt reported no new information.
- AV Fair Exhibit Representative: Baley Plascencia stated that she was working on a list of people that had gone through the ethics training program. She would try to have that available at the exhibitor's meeting in June.
- AV Fair Secretary/Manager: Dan Jacobs reported information related to ethics training for leaders, see below.
- Old Business
 - Exhibitor meeting – Debbie Smith is going to try to develop a list of people that have gone through the ethics training and to then make that list available to exhibitors, parents, leaders, and advisors.
 - Ethics training for leaders - Dan Jacobs stated that requiring the exhibitors to have their ethics training certificates with them during the fair most likely would not be in effect this year. This policy could be revisited next year.
 - Judges – Dan Jacobs stated that no signed contracts have been returned to the fair so, no announcements could be made at this time.
 - Honoree for Auction – Pat Stevenson moved to have Chris Sheppard honored on the front page of the Kiwanis Junior Livestock Auction Catalog. Motion received a second and passed by voice vote.
 - Exhibitor's dance – Wayne Ramsey stated that he had spoken with Mike Gilardone and that they plan to have an exhibitor's dance this year.
 - Champion Board – most of the names of the supreme champion and reserve supreme champions (along with the year) have been gathered for both large and small market animals. The board should be to be up for this year's fair.
- New Business
 - Clean Pen committee: Debbie Bartels suggested that we could continue having the barn chairs continue supervision of pens during the show. She asked to have a phone list set up so that barn chairs could get in touch with someone in a timely manner. Glenn stated that the livestock office gave him a list of the exhibitors and their phone numbers, all barn chairs stated that they had that same list but, that the leader/advisors name and phone was not on that list. Bev Horwedel moved that the barn chairs be responsible for clean barn/pen checks. Motion received a second and passed by voice vote.

Random DNA procedure: is currently conducted during animal weigh-in. Shirley Byrne suggested that if a parent is not on the grounds when the DNA is pulled and thus not able to sign DNA paperwork at that time, then

- a procedure must be set up to take care of this. It was suggested that the fair randomly pull ear tag numbers before weigh-in and just prior to weigh-in that list would be posted at the livestock office. This would give some prior notice to families to assist with them planning to be there during the DNA process. It was noted that this would in effect let exhibitors that had brought an animal that had not had DNA pulled prior to the fair the chance to leave the fair to avoid being “caught”. Discussion was held to take random samples from animals at the end of each market class judging. Discussion was held to have DNA pulled at the time of the mandatory exhibitor meeting at the fairgrounds. Discussion was held to let each of the species/barn chairs come up with their own format/procedure. Consensus by the council was to not make any changes to the random DNA pull that occurs during weigh-in.
- Debbie Smith passed out the guidelines to be used for the preferred livestock parking passes.
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- Next meeting date: July 8, 2008 at 6:30 P.M. **This is not on the regular first Tuesday of the month.**
- Adjournment: 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Joel Briggs

Antelope Valley Fair Livestock Council

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