

**AV Fair Livestock Council Minutes
June 7, 2011**

Called to order at 6:35pm

Council Members in attendance: Shirley Byrne, Carol Morris, Jon Larsen, Debbie Bartels, Marlene Mattison, Mark and Bev Horwedel, Don Cook, Billy Ward, Marcia Bouch'e, Craig and Pat Stevenson, Sharon Rohaley, Dr. Nyholt.

Excused absent members: Derrick Hartman and Pam Lovett. Pat Stevenson moved to excuse members and Marcia Bouch'e 2nd motion, passed by voice vote.

AV Fair personnel in attendance: Debbie Smith, Becky McRoberts.

Introduction of Guests

No public comment

May 3, 2011 minutes approved: Bev Horwedel moved to approve minutes and Marcia Bouch'e 2nd motion, passed by voice vote.

Committee Reports

Beef: Last 3 safety walks and scales open are scheduled for Sat. June 18 (9-12), Sun. July 10 (4-6), Sun. August 7 (4-6).

Sheep: Need final entry count to work on pen assignments.

Swine: Need final entry count to work on pen assignments.

Goats: None

Arena: None

Communications: None

Dr. Nyholt: None

Auction: Committees for the Auctions events have been assigned

Volunteer: Council to review and update Kick off Dinner invitation list. 393 total volunteer hours (97 Council, 294 off-site, 2 on-site hours)

Small Animal: Cages for the Small Animal Barn have been ordered. Rabbit Association has volunteered to assist in the Barn set-up and during the fair. Deodorizer and food has been ordered. Health Inspector and Judge for Rabbits have been confirmed.

Finance: Funds continue to be spent to complete the approved Swine Barn Re-hab. AV Fair sponsored 8 swamp coolers that are in place with all new electrical in the Swine Barn. No extension cords will be allowed in the Swine Barn (safety hazard). Pens to be completed by mid-June. Wash rack, in the Swine Barn, to be completed at a later date (not included in Re-hab costs), possible paint by this fair. Small Animal Barn pens to be completed by this fair. Storage container to receive metal shelving. Backdrop for Auction pictures needs a coating of waterseal. Bill Rawlings to complete, at cost, framed wooden enclosures for the 2 dry erase boards in the Swine and Sheep/Beef Barns and the communications board in front of the Livestock Office, prior to this year's fair. New Swine pen to be displayed at the Livestock Exhibitors Meeting and at the Barn Bash. Currently approx. \$23,000.00 have been spent on improvements for this year's fair. PA system and Master Cool units for the Beef/Sheep barns are 2 future items that are being considered for items next year. Show Bed Shavings (green) were shown and being purchased to be used in Champion Row and the picture area at the Auction for this year's fair.

Becky McRoberts: As of date: 46 lamb, 32 steer, 30 chicken, 17 goat, 63 pig, 9 meat rabbit, 70 turkey entries. Entry deadline is June 20th at 5pm. Barstow Co. Butchering would like to pay for a full page advertisement in this year's Auction catalog. Council to acquire printing quotes (color and black & white) from Bohn's Printing so the Council can prepare an estimated cost for advertisement. Approx. \$700.00 for printing last year's catalog. Catalog will continue to have the Champions on the front cover. Top 10 Buyers inside the front cover and a "Thank you" to all Buyers names on the back cover.

Old Business:

June Exhibitors Meeting: Attendance is not mandatory, but strongly encouraged and advised for all Livestock exhibitors entered.

Barn Bash Fundraiser: Vacant Land is confirmed and will be donated again for an Auction item. Need to add Van Dam to the Sponsor Banner. Color flyers are available to pass out to local business to be placed for advertisement. Press release for advertisement by Wendy Bozigian (see attached) to be posted on the website. Orangevale Grange to clear tables and recycle drink containers, they will keep the funds earned from the recycling. All organizations to be asked to donate a dessert item for the dessert table (19 clubs). Sharon Rohaley to email a request to all leaders of all organizations.

Top Ten Buyers Gifts: Billy Ward to order cutting board plaques, not to exceed \$300.00. Billy Ward moved to allow dollar amount and Craig Stevenson 2nd motion, passed by voice vote.

Photographer: 6 contracts were sent out, only one bid received as of date. Joshua Jimmink at \$11.52 per exhibitors package. Photographer to be involved in the arrangement of the photo backdrop. Backdrop and banner to be in place the entire fair for photo opportunities. Bill Ward moved to accept current bid from Jimmink and Marcia Bouch'e 2nd motion, passed by voice vote.

Auction Breakfast: Billy Ward has been in contact with Grange to prepare this year's breakfast. The Grill is in perfect shape for this year's breakfast.

Floral Champion Blankets: Pat Stevenson has written a sponsorship letter to AV Florist. They have confirmed they will donate the Blankets again for this year's fair. The Council will include an advertisement for their business in this year's Auction Catalog.

Beef Transportation: This year, Beef to be hauled to a feed lot in Bakersfield for approximately 10 days (Appox. \$1,500.00, plus transportation costs). Becky McRoberts to call and set-up arrangements.

JLA Auctioneer: Contract has been sent out to the Auctioneer.

New Business:

Nomination for Auction Catalog: An announcement at the Livestock Exhibitors Meeting regarding nominations to be emailed in a form of a bio to Shirley Byrne (sweetwaterboers@yahoo.com) before the July Council Meeting. The Council will then vote for a recipient at the July Council Meeting. Ideas of nominations are; Matthew Ramsey, Jerry Ruby.

2011 Scholarships: Funds are being collected (AV Rural Museum, Friends of the Fair), application to be posted on the website. Applications to be accepted on or before August 21st 5pm. Committee to vote for recipients on that Monday, August 22nd and announce the winners during the Auction. Livestock Council to vote at the July Meeting on the amounts to be awarded. Hat to be passed at the Barn Bash for funds to be added to the potential Scholarship fund. Debbie Bartels moved to allow funds to be collected at the Barn Bash and Billy Ward 2nd motion, passed by voice vote.

Next Meeting date: July 12th 2011 at 6:30pm

Adjournment at 8:20 pm/Debbie Bartels motion, Pat Stevenson 2nd motion, passed by voice vote.

Documents Attached: Antelope Valley Fair's Barn Bash Press Release, AV Scholarship Application.

Respectfully submitted

Sharon Rohaley, Communication Chairman