

**AV Fair Livestock Council Minutes  
October 4, 2011**

Called to order at 6:37pm

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

Excused absent members: Bev Horwedel, Derrick Hartman, Jon Larsen. Bill Ward moved to excuse members and Marlene Mattison 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, passed by voice vote.

AV Fair personnel in attendance: LeeRoy Halley, Becky McRoberts, Matthew Jimmink, Debbie Smith.

Introduction of Guests

No August Minutes to approve.

Derrick Hartman resigns by letter request as Arena Chairman. Shirley Byrne appoints Brian McCormick.

Public Comment: Public Critique of 2011 AV Fair.

Attachments: FFA, Laura Blank, Orangevale Grange, Odyssey Ranch, Pam Lovett

Westside 4H – Consider a different judge for Bred and Fed Sheep, the judge asked how they placed in Market and placed them according to how exhibitor answered. Poultry were placed direct on the floor, possible to stack them? Create and post a Standard for sanitation and cleaning of the Small Animal Barn.

Dykehouse – Did not like that the Poultry were on plastic/shavings. Barn Chairs should have access to Exhibitors phone numbers, if they need to be called during the fair. Vet recommended their animal to be removed, phone call to pick up was never received.

Sherwood – Appreciation to Committee, Friends of the Fair, for hard work and changes ie: Swine Swamp Coolers that were made this fair. Appreciation to Auction Photographer. Possible Bio for Exhibitors in Champion run to be read by announcer. More equipment room for Beef Barn. Beef warm up arena smaller.

Changes to Barns Appreciated. More equipment room for Beef Barn. Beef Aisles cleaned and cleared during show day. Possible to screen/interview Steer Volunteers to make sure they are able to assist with handling Beef properly and safely. PA needs improvement. Small Barn Feeders – Cross contamination. Swine pen bolts too long. Swine pen coated wire was good. Entry fees to Exhibitors too expensive.

Appreciation to Steer Committee of not allowing a Steer to exhibit for safety reasons. Auction Photographer to have new ideas on lighting and how to zoom in on Exhibitor and Animal.

Complaint against Farmers Wholesale Meats in Bakersfield. Very unprofessional experience from a Buyer that selected this processor to package bought animal from the Auction. Suggests Santa Paula Butcher and to add Old Fashion County Meats to the Processor list.

TV Screens/Video Relay in the Barns for Exhibitors can see where/how they are in the Show Arena.

TV Screens/Video in Patio during the Auction for Buyers to know where they are during the Auction.

Oral Penicillin to Rabbits can be fatal. Many Rabbits were sent home sick. Provide Exhibitors better treatment advise.

Craig Stevenson states that a Committee is in place to create training programs for positions held by Fair Committees.

Marcia Bouche' acknowledged and thanked Orangevale Grange who provided a night off during the fair for all Small Animal Barn Volunteers.

Shirley Byrne acknowledged and thanked the Livestock Committee for all their hard work and efforts.

Billy Ward commented that solicitation flyers were circulating at the Auction Breakfast. Leaders to be involved in making Exhibitors aware these types of flyers are not allowed.

Next Meeting date: November 1, 2011 at 6:30pm

Adjournment at 7:37 pm/Billy Ward motion, Debbie Bartels 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, passed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted

Sharon Rohaley, Communication Chairman