

4-H Outdoor Committee Meeting- Minutes
October 8, 2018
Upper Conference Room @ 5:30

Minutes from September meeting: *Motion was made by Kathy to approve minutes and Janelle seconded. Vanessa noted that her name needed to be spelled correctly.*

Superintendent Reports:

- *Barn Security – Sean mentioned that it worked well with the outside company and they do the first three nights and David and Sean finish the last three nights. They will negotiate with Kevin for the coming year.*
- *Beef – Shane reported lots of new kids, lots of kids are rounding up steers and there is lots of communication and not really a break in this project after fair. If someone needs a steer, please let Shane know and he will help.*
- *Dairy – N/A*
- *Dog – Laurie reported that they are working to finalize the new dog program. Next meeting is November 10th at 10am and will be informative with no dogs.*
- *Goat – Karen said that there are some new members.*
- *Herdsmanship – N/A*
- *Horse – Dawn said everything is good. Horse judging will be in November and there are some new members. Peggy will be the new sup and Dawn is stepping down.*
- *Livestock Judging- Practicing weekly and next up is the Nile and then John Deere days.*
- *Poultry – The next meeting is October 21st at 1 pm with no animals. CJ would like to co-lead the project.*
- *Quality Assurance – N/A*
- *Rabbit – Next meeting is October 22nd at the BHB with no animals until about April.*
- *Round Robin – Nothing other than looking at changing the time for next Fair.*
- *Sale – Karen said there is a lot going on with lots to straighten out. This year was a learning year a lot went well and a lot went bad. No meeting afterwards.*
- *Sheep – N/A*
- *Swine – James reported that he is scheduling workshops in Jan or April.*
- *Extension Report – Sean read a letter that David and Kara wrote to be read to everyone that attended.*
- **Other Reports:**

New Business:

1. Outdoor Superintendents – Voting

Kathy made a motion to postpone elections for all Superintendents until November. Janelle seconded. Kathy couldn't make the motion so Katie made the motion and Janelle seconded.

Discussion:

Dawn asked if Katie was a superintendent or was it just Lisa. Katie reported that she is the co-sup.

Katie asked can the volunteers that filled out paperwork even run because she was under the impression that Kara said their paperwork had to go through before being allowed to take a position.

Dawn reported that Jennifer was a leader before that she could run and she is a teacher so her background check would come back ok.

Kathy reported that the discussion was not clear and if postponing it would allow more interest and more time that would be better.

Dave said that it would be a deviation of the extension meeting and everyone needs to be heard. He also wants everyone to know it is a big deal and the outdoor chair does a lot of work and there is a lot that needs to be done.

Casey mentioned that there was a motion on the table and it is important to get everyone's vote. James asked how many sups are changing and how long for the background checks to come back. Everyone agreed the sups that are up for voting were the following: horse, beef, swine, dairy, and overall.

Dawn mentioned that why does someone want to become the overall outdoor chair and there is a lot of animosity in the entire group and is there the possibilities of helping and learning?

Kimberly said there is a greater attendance and to understand the discussion about mentoring to get involved. If they haven't been involved they don't know what the role is about and it comes with a lot of responsibilities

Bonnie said that all paperwork was turned in and filled out with about one minute in between all the new volunteers on the same day.

Mike mentioned that he was going to register to be a volunteer and didn't realize you needed to do this to just push hogs in the pig barn. He would love to help and will pay for the form and it would be good to postpone elections until the next meeting.

Jenne mentioned that the council is looking to put into the budget to have the background checks paid by the council for new volunteers.

Dave said he will not do another 4-H year with contention. It's about our kids and he is tired of it all. Him and Sean do not get to vote and this is the only meeting that gets more than 10 people in the room. Lewis and Clark County is the biggest and most involved program in the state with 450 kids and that is impressive.

Sean said that a lot of changes have been made in the past years and when they got elected they had a vision and that it has touched all 13 project areas. He loves kids and is here for the kids.

Janelle mentioned that she feels like the volunteers who haven't been at the meetings or involved are being discredited. She feels these volunteers that are involved don't need recognition and don't have to be at the meetings to be involved.

After discussion a vote was held to postpone the elections and that failed 4 to 9.

Phone call to Kara to make sure that she was ok moving forward with elections if someone was voted in and they were still waiting on the background check.

Elections started:

Marilyn nominated Daisey for dairy sup. Janelle seconded. Daisey accepted and spoke that she loved dairy cows and was raised on a dairy farm and has showed since she was 4 years old. All anonymous voted yes.

Dawn mentioned Jennifer would like to co-chair the horse sup. Jennifer spoke that she worked with the project for about 8/9 years. She is an active volunteer with helping at shows and fair. Her daughter will be the junior also. All anonymous voted yes.

Janelle nominated Danielle Beverage for swine sup. Kathy seconded. James would like to run separately since he was the co-chair last year. Danielle spoke that she was in 4-H for 11 years serving as the swine sup for three years and there were issues and decided to not lead any longer but would like the chance to do it again. If she runs and is elected would like to have Dave co-chair with her. James said that he has been actively involved and wants to make it better and make it focused on the youth and production/industry.

After discussion a vote was held and James won with 7 to 6.

Casey was asked to run for the beer sup position. He stated he has 15 years working with cows for the Diehl ranch. Shane stated he would step down and would hand the beef sup over to Casey. All anonymous voted with one no.

Zach was nominated for the overall outdoor chair. He has 10 years actively as a volunteer with being a ring man and helping the beef kids out in the 4-H program. Sean and David mentioned

they are package deal when they run. They want it to be program youth can thrive in. After discussion a vote was held and David and Sean won 10 to 3.

Changes brought up to look at going forward for the year 2018-2019:

1. Change round robin time to 4 pm instead of 3 pm.
2. Look at time change for rabbit shows.
3. Bigger pens for meat birds.
4. Look at more seating for poultry/rabbit shows.
5. Poultry set up ideas.
6. Wood for the pig pens.
7. Single pigs get a double pen
8. Move buyer's dinner back to Tuesday.
9. Contact large buyers or opinions on buyer's dinner/appreciation.
10. Revisit lunches at sale.
11. Look at sale starting earlier.
12. Review bi-laws and if kids can vote at Oct. meeting.
13. Agendas be sent out earlier.
14. Sups workshop/Survey.
15. No adult round robin fundraiser on Thursday night.