



# **ST. JOSEPH COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION**

## **Meeting Minutes – October 16, 2023**

1. Call to Order – Steve Trattles at 6:38 p.m.
  - Members present: Steve Trattles, Diana Yeager, Angie Landis, Heather Teadt, Bill Prichard, Ryan Waltke, Kevin Yeager and 4-H program coordinator Kayla Mitchell
2. Additions to Agenda – None
3. Public Comment – None
  - a. Those in attendance: Chris Yunker, Ella Yunker, Stacy Bower and Penny Waltke
4. Secretary Report & Correspondence – Minutes of August 12, 2023 Meeting
5. Treasurer’s Report
  - a. Balances
  - b. Auction Collection, Credit Card Payments
  - c. Outstanding Bills –
    - i. Bill & Janice Butcher of Red Barn Greenhouse for less than 3% fee charged on credit card sales. \$270.73
    - ii. Angie Landis \$13.26 for stamps
  - d. Moved by Heather, Seconded by Bill to approve payment of bills. Motion carried
6. Old Business
  - a. Fair Entry Computer Program - \$500/year as MSU has license. The worry is that WIFI was not reliable. Kayla looking at database programs
  - b. Beef Scale – Load Cell plus wiring harness \$240 for each, replace 4 of them. New indicator will be needed - Kayla will get a quote. Ryan also pointed out bracket for the indicator needs to be replaced. Current scale came from Central City Scales from Nebraska. Grand Rapids Metrology would install and calibrate new parts.
7. New Business
  - a. Fair Concerns, Changes and Updates – Check In, Skill-a-thons, Shows, Auction, Load out: Mostly positive feedback, will see at post fair species meetings.
  - b. Auction Resale Process – Roger Gentz concerned about the support price splitting evenly removed step of returning support price if someone takes the animal home.
    - i. 1 person gets head count of each species after registration to contact potential resale buyers.
    - ii. Due to a miscommunication with trucking, Heather moved to send a thank you gift card of \$50 to Vince Scheffler. Ryan seconded. Motion carried.
    - iii. May need to provide another driver for lambs and goats to Willie’s.
    - iv. Carcass need to be labeled on load out sheets.
  - c. Post Fair Species Meeting Dates: Youth Council suggested post fair meetings be one for small animal species and a large animal species meeting, consensus by this board is to leave separate.
    - i. Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00 Swine, 7:00 Sheep
    - ii. Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> 6:00 Rabbits, 7:00 Poultry
    - iii. Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> 6:00 Dairy, 6:30 Beef, 7:30 Goats
8. December LSA Meeting Date: Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
9. Adjournment: 8:07 p.m.