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Alpena County 4-H Market Club Rules



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ALPENA COUNTY 4-H MARKET CLUB RULES

ARTICLE I. NAME, MISSION, MOTTO, PLEDGE

Section A. The name of the club shall be the *Alpena County 4-H Market Club*

Section B. Mission

To create non-formal, educational opportunities to help youth thrive in a complex and changing world.

What is our programming philosophy?

- Provide age-appropriate life skill development
- Emphasize research-based experiential learning
- Involve volunteers
- Engage a variety of partners
- Include families
- Reach both diverse and underserved audiences
- Be accessible
- Promote a multicultural perspective and appreciation
- Have fun!

Section C. Motto

“To make the best better.”

Section D. Pledge

I pledge...

My *head* to clearer thinking,
My *heart* to greater loyalty,
My *hands* to better service,
My *health* to better living,
For my club, my community, my country and my world.

The 4-H pledge should be recited at the start of every regular meeting of The Alpena County 4-H Market Club.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Membership

Membership will be open to all Alpena County 4-H Youth Development Members that meet the

Alpena County 4-H Market Animal Sale Rules requirements. Such as age, enrollment date requirements, etc. The market club does not substitute a 4-H member from participating in their regular 4-H club. You must be a member of your regular 4-H club and the market club.

Section B. Dues

There are no additional dues to be a member of the Alpena County 4-H Market Club.

ARTICLE III. CLUB OFFICERS

Section A. The Alpena County 4-H Market Club will be a youth run club with officers.

The Market Club officers will be responsible for running meetings and working with the club leader(s) and 4-H coordinator to ensure members are getting market animal education.

Section B. The Market Club officer positions

The positions of The Market Club officers are as follows:

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Reporter

Section C. Procedure for selection of The Market Club officers

All elected officers of the Alpena County 4-H Market Club will be determined by the general membership from a majority vote established at the first or second meeting of the market year.

Section D. Vacancy of office

In the event of a vacancy of office, the market club leader and 4-H coordinator shall appoint eligible Alpena County 4-H Market Club member to fill the unexpired term of office, unless determined unnecessary.

Section E. Officer terms

The terms of The Market Club officers will be from the time of election (or from appointment) until the new officers are installed the following 4-H year.

Section F. Requirements of The Market Club officers

In order to be eligible to serve as an officer of The Market Club, one must meet all the requirements of the Alpena County 4-H Market Animal Sale Rules, and be 4-H age 13-19 years old.

Section G. Duties of The Market Club officers

President

The president of the club presides over meetings, builds the meeting agenda with the help of The Market Club leader and 4-H program coordinator, assures that the meeting runs in an orderly manner and strives to make sure all members' opinions are heard. If committees are needed, presidents appoint committee members.

Since the president is responsible for creating the meeting agenda, it is important they are familiar with the order of business. A typical meeting agenda would consist of:

- Call to order
- Pledges
- Roll call
- Secretary's report
- Treasurer's report
- Old business
- New business
- Announcements/leaders report
- Adjournment

Vice President

The vice-president fills in for the president and presides the meeting if the president is absent; therefore, the vice-president must understand the roles and responsibilities of the president listed above. Additional responsibilities of the vice-president include: following-up with any committees to make sure they stay on task, having them responsible for the learning/program portion of the meeting and serve in the role of introducing presenters and or guest.

Secretary

The secretary records all of the business of the meeting and a record of each member's attendance. The secretary provides a report at each meeting by presenting the minutes from the previous meeting. This can be done by providing a handout or by reading the minutes aloud, and must be approved by the entire group. Once minutes are approved, they become the official record of the business that was conducted at the meeting. The secretary should record full minutes as soon as possible after the conclusion of the meeting so that the discussion is fresh in their mind. Keep all meeting minutes in one safe place so they can be referenced as needed.

Reporter

The reporter will prepare, write and submit articles to the local newspaper on club activities and events. Reporters will coordinate with the 4-H club leader(s) and 4-H Program Coordinator to ensure the market order during the week of fair is submitted to the local radio station (WATZ). It

is also the job of the reporter to take pictures at club meetings, publish a club newsletter if needed, and to coordinate club displays at local events, the Alpena County 4-H Awards Banquet, Alpena County Fair and other 4-H related events and activities. The reporter leads the market club in the American and 4-H pledge at every meeting.

ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS

Section A. Meetings of the Alpena County 4-H Market Club

The Alpena County 4-H Market Club will meet (5) times a year; unless determined differently by the Market Club Leader or 4-H Program Coordinator. The 2019 meetings will be the third Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm at the Merchant's Building from March until July. The 2019 Market Club dates are as follows:

- March 19
- April 16
- May 14
- June 18
- July 16

Section B. Meeting attendance requirements

In order to be eligible to sell at the 2019 Alpena County 4-H Market Animal Sale, members must attend at least (3) of the (5) meetings. In the event that a member misses more than (2) meetings they will be ineligible to sell. However, a 4-H member can take away (1) of the meetings they miss by entering an educational display about their livestock project under the grandstand during the week of the Alpena County Fair. The display must be entered for exhibit the first day of the Alpena County Fair and removed the last day of the Alpena County Fair. 4-H members must coordinate prior to the first day of fair with the Market Club Leader and 4-H Program Coordinator if they plan to enter an exhibit under the grandstand.

The 4-H member must present their display to an MSU Extension staff member prior to the first day of fair. The MSU Extension office must approve your display before one of the meetings you missed can be taken away. Please contact Michelle Eagling to set-up a time for you to present your completed display. Do not wait until the day before fair to contact Michelle. If your display can not be approved prior to fair you will not be eligible to market.

2019 Market Club Project Presentation Form: <http://bit.ly/2hPzDQp>

Section C. Meeting cancellation policy

In the event Alpena Public Schools is closed due to inclement weather (i.e. winter snow storm) the Alpena County 4-H Market Club meeting will be cancelled. The meeting cancellation will be promoted on social media and via e-mail.

ARTICLE V. INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE/ STUDY ABROAD RULES

Section A. 4-H members that serve as international exchange students or study abroad

4-H members that serve as exchange students or study abroad for the current market year are eligible to market in the current market sale. However, they must attend the required amount of The Market Club meetings in person or watch them virtually. If 4-H members watch the meetings virtually they must be viewed in real time and notify the 4-H club leader and 4-H program coordinator. It will be the responsibility of the 4-H member to coordinate someone setting up their virtual connection to the meeting. If they are unable to attend the meetings virtually they may watch pre-recorded videos of the market club meetings at the Alpena County MSU Extension office under supervision of the 4-H program coordinator. Members serving as international exchange students or studying abroad must notify the MSU Extension office prior to March 1st so necessary measures can be taken to record market sale meetings, etc.

Section B. Market animal limitations

4-H members that serve as international exchange students or study abroad may only market an animal in which they will be able to raise according to the Alpena County 4-H Market Animal Sale possession guidelines. For instance, if rabbits must be in possession by the 4-H member at 6 weeks old from the first day of fair, the 4-H member must be able to meet this requirement. If there is not possession requirements for a species the 4-H member will only be able to raise a short-term animal for market, based on the market animal age requirements for poultry and rabbits. For additional information regarding international exchange students or study abroad please contact the Market Club leader and 4-H program coordinator.

ALPENA COUNTY 4-H MARKET CLUB OFFICER HISTORY

2019

President – TBD
Vice-President – TBD
Secretary – TBD
Reporter – TBD
Club Leader: TBD

2018

President – Courtney Krentz
Vice-President – Molly MacArthur
Secretary – Casey Stevens
Reporter – Savannah Avent
Club Leader: Jeanna Gersewski and Stacie Avent

2017

President – Demi Oliver
Vice-President – Courtney Krentz
Secretary – Lindsey Hoppe
Reporter – Brooke Gersewski
Club Leader: Dawn Britton

2016

President – Demi Oliver
Vice-President – Brooke Gersewski
Secretary – Lindsey Hoppe
Reporter – Stephanie Domke
Club Leader: Violet Lombard

2015

President – Demi Oliver
Vice-President – Stephanie Domke
Secretary – Kaitlin Coonrod
Reporter – Anissa Eagling
Club Leaders: Aaron and Laura Leatzow

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