SMALL ANIMAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 29th, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. Members present – Audrey Greer (Country Blend); Denice Shears (EUTS); Gwen Tweed (Farm Central): Trista Harrell (Farm Central) Kim Abbas (Beaverton Buckaroos), Andie & Jeremy Fisher (Beaverton Buckaroos) Melissa Preston – MSU Extension Office

Pledges recited.

Treasurer's report: Read by Melissa Preston

Outstanding Bills to be paid: None

Correspondence: None

MSU Extension Report:

- Melissa is going to be doing an embryology spin club in March for youth interested in raising poultry.
- The fish fry is February 9th at the KoC Hall Bake goods and volunteers needed
- Emily Colvin attended the MSU green and white rabbit show scored 90/100 points
- MSU Goat Expo is coming in April please promote

Fair Board Report:

• Gladwin 4-H auctions are no more and have been turned over to the fair board. We will keep all accounts active for one year and then decide what to do after their first auction season.

Old Business:

No old business

New Business:

- Fred would like the small animal committee to help set weight and age parameters for the
 poultry project. Please think about what best works for each project. Melissa will do some
 research on what standard weeks and weights are for other fairs poultry projects to give a
 base line knowledge
- The 4-H Poultry project rules need to change as the auction is no longer under the control of 4-H and our rules reflect those of when we ran the auction. Melissa feels we should move the program in a more educational aspect with a poster project. We will look over the current rules and come with some updates we feel work best for our program.

Next meeting is February 27th 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.