

**Livestock Committee Meeting  
Cory & Amanda Wall's Residence  
July 16, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm, by Cory Wall. Those in attendance were: Doug Uzelac, Tim & Nikki Chaffin, Oscar & Paula Plank, Nancy Story, Brian Plank, Marv & Lisa Johnson, Melanie Rodenhouse, Michelle Nitengale, Todd Hetherington, Zach & Angie Wall, Hannah Patin, Cory, Amanda, Megan, Cody and Allison Wall.

**Secretaries Report:** A motion was made to accept the secretary's report by Doug and seconded by Todd. Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Angie handed out a report with the account balances as follows:

Business Checking	\$473.69
Auction Account	\$7476.51
Chem Flex	\$4679.05
Mortality	\$5122.83

The GACF will reimburse the checks paid out from the beef carcass class; there are still some outstanding checks to be cashed.

Lisa made a motion to put the report on file and Michelle seconded it. Motion carried.

**No Extension Report**

**Business Old & New, Fair Recap:**

- Lisa has set up and paid the mortality insurance. The price will be \$635 per year.
- Brian Gardner would like to sell us their old swine pens, they are purchasing new ones. There are 50+ pens and he would like \$3000. It was suggested that we have someone go look at them.
- Beef carcass class, we would like to set a time of 2 pm on Thursday of fair for the kids to get their results.
- Lisa would like us to consider eliminating straw from our fair. It makes a lot of bulk and harder on people hauling it out. There was discussion on manure hauling options.
- Zach would like to start the discussion on how we can add onto the beef/swine barn. It was stated that the fairboard has the blueprints to make the barn larger. Also the horse committee has started a plan for a multi-purpose barn. There was discussion on the process, funding, etc.
- Doug brought up the time conflicts between the beef show and the carcass class at sages. He wondered if we can tell the judges we are under a time crunch in these instances.
- Doug had a concern about the trucks being overloaded when hauling animals out. Cory stated he has already addressed this with the hauler.
- Auction
  - Todd had an auction complaint from some buyers that there are just too many pigs. There was some discussion on possibly limiting the number of pigs. There were also positive comments as well.
  - This year's auction finished at 8:55 pm.
  - Merritt Auction services would like to be considered as auctioneers as well.

- Cory made some suggestions on the use of the TV screens. She would like there to be a rolling screen based off a computer and not show works. Giving the buyers name and price paid, for example.
- We need additional blank buyer's numbers and less sale bills next year.
- Scale on weigh in day: Cory would like us to consider purchasing a second head to hang for the weights to be displayed on. Todd will get a price and bring it to the next meeting.
- Brian would like us to check into new scale certification companies.
- There was an issue with the carcass class judge telling the kids that the scale was at least 10 pounds off. The scale was certified 3 days prior to weigh in.
- Record Books: Michelle would like to consider changing them and requiring them to be due by 8 pm on Sunday. Getting them in earlier will get them to the judges sooner and in turn hope to have them all back by Thursday prior to the auction. Michelle will work on her recommendations and send them with Melanie to the next meeting.
- Doug discussed a credit charging idea for the auction that he has seen used in other places.
- Carcass class for sheep and swine was discussed. Paperwork is due by 2pm on Sunday at weigh in, it is clearly stated in the fair book. Cory would like us to consider not using show works for the carcass class and just do it by hand. Also our carcass class forms need to be re done.
- Market animals need to be tagged prior to fair. We need solutions to this problem and pigs need to be tagged properly. There were suggestions based on what other fairs do.
- The judges hiring committee needs to contact the judges on the lists provided by the committees. A few of the judges that were recommended said they were never contacted.
- Show works: Angie needs help, Mary can possibly help her on Fridays and Michelle offered to help with what she can. Megan Wall volunteered to help and learn the program as well.
- Lisa needs help typing up fair results for the newspaper.

A motion to adjourn was made by Todd and seconded by Doug, the meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

The next meeting will be August 20<sup>th</sup> 2018, at the Ash Building.