Montcalm County 4-H Livestock Committee
Minutes
May 19, 2014


The meeting was called to order by Alice at 7:15 p.m. and pledges were recited.

Secretary’s Report: Lee motioned to accept minutes as written, Allen supported. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Jeanne motioned to accept Treasurer’s Report, Todd supported. Motion carried.

MSU Extension Report:

* Dual county PQA on May 27th, 6:30 p.m. at H.O. Steele Building. RSVP if planning to attend.

* Still Exhibit tags need to be on all Record Books.

* Extension making flyers to advertise the Livestock Show times and Fair Events. Volunteers needed to pass out flyers to different businesses.

Old Business:

* Livestock Auction Buyer Letters out two weeks before fair. Whoever signed up last year gets a letter.

* Auctioneers all set. Send them letters with passes.

* Rebecca checking on clubs to see if they received copy of By-Laws. By-Laws tabled.

* Pens – to work on painting sheep pens get a hold of Cory Walls or Doug Uzelac.

* Photographer – Cheryl Strautz has agreed to do photos. Liked the setup we had last year for photos. Cheryl getting paint for the background.
  o Paula motioned to have Cheryl setup her trailer and tent next to Livestock barn, Alice supported. Motion carried. Also discussed price list on photos.
* Todd motioned to have Alice order picture frames, engraved with Montcalm County 4-H, Lee supported. Motion carried.

* PA System – Received an estimate for a new PA System. Encore Music will setup.
  o Lee motioned to purchase the system with Paula overseeing the setup, Todd supported. Motion carried.

New Business:

* All Market Beef Ultra-sound- will take place Thursday, June 26th, from 9 to 11 a.m. in Livestock barn. This is mandatory. Youth showing other projects, please send parent or sibling to help handle steer if unable to attend.

* Scale – Rebecca to call and set date. Todd set scale up.

* Late 4-H Fair Animal Registrations – A market sheep registration and a swine registration form were brought before Livestock committee. Lee motioned not to accept late registrations, Paula supported. Motioned carried. Rebecca to contact them with letter.

* Cleaning Dirty Pens – New Rule from 4-H Livestock Committee: ALL Animals must be kept clean, fed, and watered throughout day. The first time pen is NOT cleaned and/or there is NO food or water, the youth will receive a warning. Will have until NOON to fix the problem. The youth should be checking on animals every 3 hours. After the second warning, youth will NOT be eligible to exhibit ANY animal projects in the 2015 Fair.

* Paula motioned to have Creekside Computer Service for a charge of $150.00 to set up computers for the 4-H Livestock Auction Sale Computers, Lee supported. Motion carried. Todd will ask Tarin to contact Creekside Computers.

* Discussed trucking.

Adjournment: Lee motioned to adjourn meeting, Tom supported. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, June 9th at 7pm. Fairgrounds.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Frandsen
Secretary