

Northwest Michigan Livestock Council

MINUTES

Monday, January 6, 2020

OFFICERS: Kayce Caugh, Bobbi Jo Pyle, Barb Crosley, Megan Town, Keri Bancroft

TEEN REPS:

STAFF: Rosali Collier, Susy White

PRESENT: Nicki Brown, Cherrie Brown, Tanya Reckow, Kelly Stockfisch, Alyssa Wares, Leanna Wares, Bella Canfield, Spencer Canfield, Reece Canfield, Deb Canfield, Mary Lynn Robertson, Jeremy Grant, Anne Grant, Susie Gretes, Krystyne Griffith, Jen Stephens, Beth Stephens, Rachel Raniszewski, Lori Cederquist, Lillian Wasson, Nicole Meredith, Adam Drzewiecki, Addison Kraeft, Mandy DePuy, Sophie DePuy, Haven Robinson, Dave Robinson, Stacy Sieffert, Laurie Ashley, Miranda Ashley, Heather Rosa, Will Grant, Lynn Henning, Kim Franke, Heather Watson, Candace Rottman, Pilar Galnowes, Melissa Rassel, Alyssa Tallieu, Robin Gildner, Melinda Coger, Kelsey Stockfisch, Stephanie Steffens, Megan Lemcool, Miranda Thompson, Teagan Martinson, Ava Martinson, Cliff Wares, Andrea Hagelstein, Renee Hobbins, Allison Wittkopp, Dale & Dorothy Fritz, Sophie Schafer, Kathy Easter, Molly C. Korbin Schaub, Leah Delahanty, Kathy Swinney, Lydia Zenner, Elizabeth Franke, Jennifer Wasson, Grace Reckow, Jennifer Emery, Jayna Emery, Ella Stockfisch, Hunter Delahanty, Michelle Reinke, Cassidy Snow, Audrey Town, Adelynn Town, Rosali Shaffer, Amanda Wilkins, Robert Brown, Diane Moyer, Sami Zientek, Pam Zientek, Rose & JoAnn Bohrer, Garrett Grant, Christine Snow, Isaac Snow, Baily Webb, Lisa Ralph, Amber Pomper, Gretchen Sauvage, Tristyn Klockzien, Krystyna Griffith, Andrea Bedrick,

CALL TO ORDER: 6:35pm - Pledges were recited. 33 4-H Clubs were present

MINUTES: Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved. Motion by Kelly Stockfisch 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa Ralph to approve the minutes. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bobbi Jo went over the November treasurer's report. Motion by Lori Cederquist 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gretchen Sauvage to approve the treasurer's report. Approved.

FAIRBOARD NEWS: The MAFE convention is this week, everyone will be attending in Grand Rapids.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT:

Rosali Collier:

**Leelanau 4-H Babysitting Club:** We still have a couple of spots left in our babysitting club that starts this Saturday in Suttons Bay. Open to 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Saturdays, January 11, 18, 25 and February 15, 22, and 29. The first 3 sessions cover the CPR/First Aid training and certification, and the final three cover ages, stages, tips, and practice. The cost is \$45, which includes the 4-H participation fee, certification fee, snacks, and materials. Meets at the Suttons Bay Fire and Rescue Station from 3-5:30 p.m. Questions? Call or email Rosali.

**Second Annual 4H4All:** Our local Leelanau clubs are working with our Leelanau County Youth Association to provide a great mini-expo on Saturday, February 8, from 10-noon at the Maple City Lions Club. This is a free outreach event celebrating our local clubs and what 4-H is all about. Families are welcome, and we will have prize drawings, activities indoors and out, animals, crafts, snacks, exhibits, and more! Youth who attend will receive a free 4-H goodie bag!

**Tanner Building Committee:** Please reach out to Susy White to join the committee to help plan for this summer in the Tanner. 4-H clubs can create a club booth to showcase their year, and youth can have a

welcoming space to display their projects and take part in demonstrations. Part of the discussion will also be about the Clover Award.

**Cloverbud Activities Committee:** Please let us know if you are interested on working on the cloverbud activities for this year's fair. Cloverbud Chair Kathy Swinney is part of this committee, and would welcome others for the planning process. Let Rosali know if you are interested.

**Enroll in 4HOnline for 2019/2020:** Please remember to register on 4HOnline for the new 4-H year, which started on September 1st! This is for all youth and those adults who have completed the volunteer selection process with MSU. If you are a returning member, you click on your name in your family account and choose re-enroll. Choose the county where your club is held, not the county of your residence (necessarily). You may pay your participation fee directly through your county Extension office (credit card, cash, or check). Remember, being in 4HOnline means that you are an active member, and are covered under our MSU liability.

Susy White:

1. Grand Traverse County Newsletters are out on the table, available on the Grand Traverse 4-H website, and were sent to Grand Traverse County members via a 4-H Online broadcast E-mail.
2. Membership Announcements:
  - a. Volunteers must complete the Volunteer Selection Process thru their county 4-H Program Coordinator
  - b. Adults who are not volunteers should not enroll in 4-H Online
  - c. Volunteers do not pay a participation fee or pay for their annual background checks
  - d. Youth pay their County Participation fee through their 4-H Office
3. Tanner Exhibit building committee:
  - a. Tanner Building hosted club booth displays, individual project entries, interviews, and demonstrations/educational talks as well as Clover Bud activities every morning and afternoon for both 4-H members and the public
  - b. We need a committee to determine which activities to priorities and continue, re-write entry information for the fair book, and schedule events such as interviews, demonstrations, etc.
  - c. E-mail Susy White this week...
4. Upcoming 4-H events:
  - a. Winterfest at the Kettunen Center, Feb. 1-2<sup>nd</sup>, registration is closed
  - b. Archery leadership training in Gaylord, Jan. 18-19<sup>th</sup>, registration open thru Tuesday
  - c. Horse Judging Workshop at MSU, Jan. 31-Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>
  - d. February events include: Beef, Sheep, Swine Leaders Workshop, Youth Officer Training,
  - e. Save the Date: Exploration Days at Michigan State University, June 24-26, 2020
5. Scholarships are available:
  - a. From the Grand Traverse Leaders Association for Grand Traverse County 4-Hers who need financial assistance in order to participate. These funds can scholarship Participation Fees and activity fees.
  - b. From monies raised during the Paper Clover Campaign (Traverse City Store raised the most money in MI) at the Tractor Supply Store goes to a Scholarship fund for Camps and Leadership Opportunities
  - c. Scholarships Applications are available in the Grand Traverse 4-H Office or E-mail Susy White for a copy.

## OLD BUSINESS:

2020 Budget: We need to approve the 2020 budget that was passed out in November. Gretchen Sauvage made a motion to approve the 2020 budget, Cliff Wares 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved.

## SPECIE CHAIR UPDATES:

Steer – Had a great turn out for Winter Beef Classic at MSU in December. Watch your steers/heifers for sickness. Keep water unfrozen. Possession date is January 1<sup>st</sup>. Registrations are due tonight by midnight.

Dairy Feeder: Registration is due at the March meeting. Calves must be born after Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> and possession by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Watch for sickness.

Junior Beef: Calves must be born after Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. Registrations are due at the March meeting. Possession by May 15<sup>th</sup>. Make sure you get on farm lists now. Stay away from livestock sales as Jr. Beef must be 100% beef. Record books are being updated. Education credit – Vet Science and Beef Sheep Swine workshops at Kettenun February 21<sup>st</sup>. It's a great weekend!

Swine: Registrations are due at the February meeting. Forms must be filled out completely and make sure to complete the leader form. May 1<sup>st</sup> is possession date.

Sheep: Start looking for lambs now they must be born after January 1<sup>st</sup>. See Nancy if you need any help.

Goat: Registrations are due March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Goats must be born after Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>. If you need one get with Beth as she has some options. Breed goats must be 4 months old by fair. Possession date is May 1<sup>st</sup>. Sooner you get them the better they will be by fair.

Rabbit/Cavy: Roosters bred by end of this week. Registrations are due at the May meeting. Watch for sicknesses.

Poultry: Production hens possession date is January 31<sup>st</sup>. Registrations are due at the March meeting. Show birds you need by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Call Lynn if you have any questions.

Llama/Alpaca: Make sure you worm your animal. There will be some workshops coming up. For those looking to enhance their llama/alpaca knowledge and to have some fun, please check out the up and coming clinics and events on the Fehrenbach Farms web page. Denise Fehrenbach has lined up some top camelid veterinarian speakers and judges from across the country to come to us to share what they know about parasites, fecal testing, training and handling, showing and spinning fiber for beginners. Sign up and get ready to learn! Also, in the works is a llama/alpaca hike. Watch their website to learn more.

Dog: Registrations are due at the June meeting. Keep your dogs warm. February is dental month, good time to clean their teeth.

Horse: Jeopardy – Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> @ Michigan Works. Tack sale is tentative March 21<sup>st</sup>, not set in stone yet, more info to come. Boot Camp is May 16-17<sup>th</sup> at the Fair. Registrations are due at the May meeting

Differently Abled: no report

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Keri has the sign-up sheets for committees. Each club must sign up for a committee otherwise one will be assigned.

Workbee – Dates are May 2<sup>nd</sup>, May 13<sup>th</sup>, June 16<sup>th</sup> & July 29<sup>th</sup> Will be doing a sign-up genius again and it will be posted on facebook. Everyone is required to do 2 hours again.

Auction – Next meeting is February 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm – Agave on Garfield. All are welcome. 2020 Auction line up: Swine, steer, dairy feeder, junior beef AND Goat, rabbit, poultry, lamb  
We still have a few pictures that need to be picked up and a senior award.

Ice - Thank you to Long Lake Livestock for handling the ice. The Livestock Council has decided to turn it over to the fair to handle. They have the staff and most of the sales are the vendors. Ice will still be available to purchase.

Website – Registrations are posted.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Registration forms are on the website. Steer/heifers are due tonight by midnight. Swine are due at the February meeting. March is junior beef, dairy feeder, lamb, goat & poultry. May – Llama, horse & rabbit. Dog registration is due at the June meeting.

Teen Reps – would love to welcome them to the board. We just need a one-page letter of interest – why you would like to be a teen rep and email it to the board. They will be due January 17<sup>th</sup> so we can have them by the February meeting.

Education – Big changes – but everyone will still be required to do 2. We are putting together mini expos. They will be one day or a weekend that way you can get your credits all at once. We are working on a MSU trip via bus to MSU to tour some of their facilities. Learn about species. This would be a one-day event – 2 credits. We will need chaperones. Details will be coming. Looking at early spring – May. There will be no swine visits, but maybe we can get an educator to speak to us.

Great Wolf Lodge – mini expo March 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> – looking for a vote. It will be a one-day event. You will be required to attend 2 sessions. We plan to start at 9am. We will have speakers in the morning and afternoon with 2-3 sessions at a time. To receive education credit, it must be a 4-H sanctioned event or it needs to be signed off on by the Livestock Council Board. We will post the schedule when we have it. It was agreed to have the Great Wolf Lodge mini expo on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Great Wolf Lodge may offer a discount on rooms, you would need to contact them. There is no charge to attend the expo as the Livestock Council will be paying for it. More info to come. There will be no education sessions before the regular monthly council meetings.

29<sup>th</sup> Annual Farm Women's Symposium is March 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> at Treetops Resort in Gaylord, MI If you have any questions please ask Keri. You can also check out the website – [www.farmwomenssymposium.com](http://www.farmwomenssymposium.com)

Adjourn: 1<sup>st</sup> Gre3tchen Sauvage 2<sup>nd</sup> Stacy Sieffert – motion approved to adjourn @ 7:35pm

Next Meeting: Monday, February 3rd - 6:30pm  
Redeemer Lutheran Church