

Swine Committee Meeting

March 21st, 2024

Attendees: Amanda Brewer, Kourtnei Mayberry, Brian Pohlman, Aaron King, Becky King, Jacob Osswald, Maddy Osswald, Hannah Stikeleather, Christoph Keller, Troy Lavy, Jake Lavy, Jenna Warner, Rachel Sullivan, Curtis Yount, Ashley Shilt, Betsy Pettijean.

Meeting was called to order by Ashley Shilt. Minutes were passed out, mention of some spelling errors from December and January's meeting minutes needed to be changed by Becky King. Motion was made by Maddy Osswald and Seconded by Troy Lavy to accept the Secretary's minutes. Treasures report – General Account \$12,546.77 Money Market \$17,325.30. Approval of Treasures report made by Hannah Stikeleather and seconded by Maddy Osswald

Sale Committee – Going to have an informational training with Roger from Breeders World – he will be coming April 27th to Birchwood Training Center Darke County at 9am & 11am. Parents, exhibitors and advisors are strongly encouraged to come. They are still working on getting FAQ brochures for buyers us to pass out. Still send out buyer letters as normal. You will be able to set up your account on the website, picture, about you before the sale starts. Online sale will start Thursday, August 22nd at 8am and will close on August 29th at 5pm. Sale fee is 4%.

Celebration of achievements – Wednesday August 21st at 5pm in the Beef and Dairy show ring – food and sandwiches will be provided. Will be about a 3-hour event. Our overall market exhibitor and scholarship recipients will be recognized. – Grand champion and reserve champion market hogs will be auctioned off in the live sale. The champion and reserve will also be in the online sale to get additional bids.

September 7th will still have the Buyer appreciation Breakfast for buyers.

Barrow Boosters- Jackpot May 18th & 19th. Still needing sponsors and Volunteers. Will be sending out a signup sheet soon.

Skillathon – July 18th 4-7pm & July 20th 9-11am

- Chapters 3,5,8,9,10
- Essay Topics Seniors/Intermediate: What are the main nutrients in a pig's diet and what purpose do they serve? – 500 words.
- Juniors: Why is it important that your pigs have proper nutrients? - 250 words

Sr. Fairboard – Still working on bids for the rewiring on the Swine Barn

Jr Fair- Nothing to report.

Barn Manager- Amy is working on judges.

Old Business- was covered.

New Business

- Release times – Possibly late Tuesday Night into Wednesday. - **Note** of having everybody **possibly** move out AFTER the barn party that is going home and figuring out when packer and butcher trucks will be able to come. No decision on release time was made.

- Fair Schedule – THIS IS A POSSIBILITY
 - Thursday August 15th – 11:59pm all pigs must be in place.
 - Friday August 16th – 8:30 Mandatory Barn Meeting & 9AM Weigh In
 - Saturday August 17th – 9AM Jr Fair Swine Showmanship with Scholarship Presentation before Pee Wee showmanship
 - Sunday August 18th – 8AM Free Breakfast at the Steak and Chop Tent – 9AM Show Ring Service in the Cattle Area – 12PM Jr Fair Market Show
 - Monday August 19th – 10AM Born and Raised Show
 - Tuesday August 20th – 10AM Open Market Show – Adult Showmanship & 6PM Barn Party and Awards Ceremony to follow.
 - Wednesday August 21st – Celebration of Achievement 5PM Doors open, 5:30PM Start time
 - Thursday August 22nd – 8:30pm Gilts may arrive.
 - Friday August 23rd – 1pm-4pm Gilt Check In – 6pm Open Gilt Showmanship
 - Saturday August 24th – 8am-9am Gilt Check In & 11am Open Gilt Show

- Show Ring/Aisle Bedding – Will be asking clubs to donate money for aisle ways this year. Swine Committee or/and Sr. Fair Board should be responsible for paying for bedding around the Show Ring as it is a Safety Hazard. Will need to make sure we discuss at Mandatory Barn meeting our expectations of cleaning the aisle ways. We will also need to provide bedding forks to keep the aisle clean.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Troy Second by Jenna

Next Meeting – May 16th 6:30PM