

February 4, 2024 Rabbit Committee

The Darke County Rabbit Committee met February 4, 2024 at the Youth Building with the following members present: Morgan Aultman, Amanda Behee, Holly Daughtery, Pat Carroll, Velvet Grow, April Mendenhall, Heidi May, Angie Parker, Christina Parker, Carmen Hartzell, Sophia Aultman, Emma Jones, Katelyn Micheal, Betsy Petijean, and Irene Rismiller.

Secretary and treasurer's reports were given. We have \$6,469.18 in checking and \$6,564.37. Sophia moved and Pat seconded to accept the reports. M/P

In the Junior Fairboard report we were told they are bringing back the Jr. Fair Dance on the last Friday of the fair. Rabbits will be released Wednesday night. A Celebration of Achievement will be a Live auction. The rest of the animals will be done online. Carmen Hartzell gave us a rundown on why the sales committee is changing to an online auction. The Online auction will begin after the live auction.

In old business, in regard to the digital scale we need to find out if selling the market rabbit is just a project or an add on bid. If it's just a project, we don't need a digital scale for weigh in. Katelyn moved and Holly seconded to table this until we know for sure.

When the cage racks are done and the cages get put in the racks we will put on the stickers.

The Spring Show is Sunday, March 10, 2024. Set up will be March 9th at 9 pm.

Awards for Best of Show and Reserve of Show were discussed. It was decided in Youth, Best of Show will be a backpack and a \$25 gift certificate to Bogan cages and Reserve in Show a backpack. The Open Show will be the same as last year, Best of Show \$50 and Reserve of Show \$25. Morgan moved and Emma seconded to do these awards. M/P Sanctioned Best of Breeds will receive \$5 and Best Opposite of Breeds will receive \$3.

The Rabbit Clinic was to be held April 13 but Morgan is having a hard time finding judges. Our clinic is the weekend of the hall of Fame. It was decided to scratch the clinic until next year.

The National California Show is April 20th. Morgan said she thinks we have enough cages and flats. If not they will get some from Miami County.

Our next meetings are March 21, May 16, July 11, and August 8. All meetings start at 6:30 in the Youth Building.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Irene Rismiller