

Dairy Committee Meeting Minutes

01/09/24

Attendance: Trudy Snyder, Allison Francis, Jacquelyn Deeter, Braeden Bohman, Betsy Petitjean, Karen Stanley, Jayden Hicks, Ryan Langenkamp, Stephanie Bailey, John Bohman, Velvet Grow, Heidi May

Karen Stanley called the meeting to order. The secretary's minutes were read, and a motion was made by Jayden Hicks to approve the minutes. Trudy Snyder seconded the motion and motion passed.

Treasurer's report:

Expenses: \$100 was written to Trent Bowman for weigh-in on 11/25/23
\$105.48 was written to Jacob Wuebker for weigh-in tags on 11/28/23

Deposits: 11/27/23 a deposit for \$160 was made for money collected at the steer weigh-in
12/26/23 a deposit for \$9,800.44 was made for sale baskets

Checkbook total: \$29,447.67 currently in account, checks will be sent out to dairy exhibitors who did not sell at the sale.

Jayden Hicks moved to approve the treasurer's report. Trudy Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed.

\$9,800.44 (Basket money)
-\$698.64 (Expenses for baskets)
=\$9,101.80 (Divide by 19 kids)
\$479.04 will be disbursed per exhibitor that did not sell at the sale

Jacquelyn Deeter made a motion to distribute \$479.04 to each exhibitor who did not sell in the sale. Trudy Snyder seconded the motion. Motion passed. Rachel Streitenberger will get checks in the mail ASAP.

NEW BUSINESS

Katerri Meyer stepped down as president of the dairy committee and as an advisor to spend more time with her family. Trudy Snyder made a motion asking the committee to send Katerri a gift card for her service to the committee. Jayden Hicks seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The committee went into discussion about the weigh-in held on November 25, 2023. It was decided by an informal gathering called by Heidi May after the weigh-in that Trent Bowman will not be asked to return during fair or to another weigh-in due to his unprofessionalism and rude comments to the kids and committee members.

Heidi May talked about the hair samples that were pulled at the weigh-in. One result

came back as 76% Jersey and 24% Beef Shorthorn. The other was 92% dairy NR and 8% Red Angus. The committee discussed breed standard percentages for purebred animals, and Jacquelyn Deeter will look into those numbers. Further action was tabled for the next meeting.

Numbers we are checking on:

Holstein: 87%

Jersey: 75%

Ayrshire: 75%

Brown Swiss: 80%

Guernsey: 80%

Milking Shorthorn: 75%

Heidi May tagged two more dairy steers last week. There was conversation about only allowing Heidi or a fairboard member to tag additional steers, not advisors.

Jayden Hicks reported news from ODA veterinarians who presented at the OFMA conference. There is a strong possibility that there will be a new rule coming out for 2024 regarding feeder calves to have RFID verification with an 840 tag in their ear so they may be tracked through the food chain. To make sure we are compliant, the committee decided to move forward with tagging all feeder calves in 2024 with an 840 tag and a drug use notification form must be turned in at the fair.

The feeder calves will follow the same rules as the dairy steers. Exhibitors may tag two feeder calves for free, and additional animals will be \$5/each.

Jayden Hicks moved to hold a Dairy Feeder Tag-In Day on June 23, 2024 at the fairgrounds. Feeder calves may stay on the trailer to be tagged, however, if they are crazy and cannot be handled, we will ask a parent to step in and help. There will be a representative from the senior fairboard, junior fairboard and the dairy committee president all present. Allison Francis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

In regards to the steer weigh-in for 2024, we decided to change the date to December 7, 2024 from 9-11 am. Jayden Hicks made a motion to set this date on the calendar and it was seconded by Braeden Bohman. Motion passed.

Upcoming Dates:

All Committee Meeting on February 4, 2024 at 4 pm in the Youth Building

All Committee Meeting on March 21, 2024 at 6:30 pm in the Youth Building

Please think about ideas for judges, baskets, show schedules, etc.

Jayden Hicks moved to adjourn the meeting, and Trudy Snyder seconded. Meeting adjourned.

