

Tuesday, March 21, 2024

Members present:

Dustin Fourman	Laney Fourman	Aaron Mullins	Christyana Roberts
Bob Spitler	Heather Stump	Rorie Stump	Gary Knick
Dylan Hesson		Danicka Michael	

Visitors:

Jon Robinson	Denise McDade	Holly Cole	Kevin Cole
Chris Michael	Wriley Mullins		

Treasurer Report:

Checking - \$10489.43

Savings - \$3788.03

(Gary motioned to approve, Aaron seconded)

Old Business:

Update on Kara Durst Show box - Laney Fourman wrote a check to Weavers for the box. Betsy will take care of picking it up. (\$748)

Open Show Progress - June 22, 2024 in the sheep barn with camping option. Discussion of acquiring a food truck, PA system, bathrooms, scales. Laney is talking with Grumpy's food truck. Dylan is taking care of the PA system and contacting the fairboard about bathrooms and scales. Roy White isn't available, looking into contacting another vendor. Sponsor form and entry form are coming out soon. Eligible ages to show 9 -21 with a novice class depending on ages that show up.

Sale Committee Update - April 27 at 9 and 11 am there will be an informational session on how to use breeders world. The committee is working on a website with answers to frequently asked questions. More to come.

Skill a thon - July 9th from 6 - 8 pm and July 20th from 9 - 11 am. Essay - How to identify and cure five different goat diseases (due Aug 1st)

Fitting Competition - New for 2024 fair. We need to work on prizes for winners. Friday at 9am - can be boer or dairy, can be a wether or doe. Goats will be judged based upon beginning looks vs ending looks. Discussion of having a clinic afterwards on how to fit a goat.

Fair Judges - Contracts have been sent out. Dairy - Kelly Fry, Boer - Terry Burks, Born and Raised - Doug Bayliss

Rate of Gain - We are going to add this to the fair this year. Every exhibitor will participate and the committee will keep records of weights. This will be recognized at the barn party on Thursday.

Tag - In - Due to having a rate of gain contest, we are going to go back to having tag in. Mandatory Tag In for ALL wethers - May 5 from 2 - 6 pm and May 7 from 6 - 8 pm (motion by Gary Knick, second by Bob) Sheep Barn will be tagging at the same time. All wethers need to be banded and dehorned at tag in. Also, if your goat is in need of a scrapie tag, see Preston Deeter at Bruns Animal Clinic in Versailles. He will provide you with a scrapie tag, but you must take your goat to him.

Ownership Date - Bob motion and second by Gary to move the Darke County Fair ownership date to May 1st (which is the same date as Ohio State Fair).

Memorial Bench - Discussion about buying a bench in honor of Larry and Joan Hesson. They were in charge of the goat barn from 1980 - 2008. Rorie Stump and Denise McDade are looking into prices and options.

Gary motioned to adjourn the meeting with Laney 2nd.

NEXT MEETING - April 23, 2024 at 7:30 pm in extension office
(next all committee meeting May 16th at 6:30pm in youth building)