

## **Sale Committee**

**March 18, 2024**

Attendees: Marla Werner, Marlene Dirksen, Vickie Willcox, Luann Mann, Dena Wuebker, Jacob Wuebker, Jayden Hicks, Kim Hershey, Christoph Keller, Russ Skaggs, Heidi May, Katelynne Michael, Adi Schmitz, Betsy Petitjean, Paige Gehret, Jim Dirksen, Dan Arling, Holly Daughtery, and Becky King.

Meeting was called to order by Jim. Secretary minutes were passed out. Luann made a motion to accept the minutes and was seconded by Jacob. Motion passed. Treasurer report: Bill for windchimes for Wuebker family was given to Vickie. We have \$10,348.83 in the account. We have not put the thank you in the Early Bird yet. Discussion if we should still put it in and if very many receive the paper. Since it is in our buyer letter, we will go ahead and put it in. Dan made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and was seconded by Katelynne. Motion passed.

Old Business: Dena stated that there are all kinds of miscommunication out there about the Sale. These are the percentages that the animals currently have taken out: Beef includes 1.75%, \$2.00 for Beef Checkoff, Dairy 1.75%, Goats 1.75% plus 1.25%, Poultry 1.75% plus 2%, Rabbits 1.75%, Sheep 1.75% plus \$5.00 per head and Sheep Checkoff .05%, Swine 1.75%. Beef will be discontinuing the \$2.00 Checkoff. Everyone else is staying the same. It is up to each committee to decide the extra fees.

Jim talked with Roger and he is able to do Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> he can also do an evening meeting or zoom meetings. He will need internet for the meeting. The fairground is unavailable. We will do 9:00 and 11:00 meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> with an informational sheet. Question was asked if we can do a live Facebook recording. Jayden suggested Interactive Media from Greenville HS could possibly do it for credit. We need to have an informational brochure with frequently asked questions for the changes overall and BW Final Drive. Is it possible to run through the Sale of Champions to get the gist of it?

September 7<sup>th</sup> is the date for the Buyer Appreciation Breakfast and will stuff invoices afterwards. July 15<sup>th</sup> we will stuff the Buyer letters in the Youth Building at 7:00p.m.

New Business: Dena stated that there needs to be clarity on baskets and scholarships for the Online Sale. There will not be online sales for baskets. They can sell as a silent auction. Baskets are up to each committee to collect and do whatever you want with the money. Senior Fairboard already voted on the issue of baskets. Per the minutes of Senior Fairboard... Motion to only allow market animals, scholarships and bump ups to go through the Online Sales. Motion passed 10-0.

We will get a committee to get set up online.

April 1<sup>st</sup> we will send info on Final Drive to our OSU Extension lady and she will send it over. We will have a committee of at least 3 to proofread the FAQ. Committee members are Jayden, Jim, Kim, Becky, Carmen, Vickie and Dena.

Vickie wants a P.O. box that the CPA can go to get the bills. We will update it to Darke County Sale Committee Greenville, OH. Dena made a motion to get a P.O. box for the Sale Committee address and was seconded by Jayden. Motion passed.

April 4<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, May 15<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup> will be Quality Assurance at the Youth Building 7:00 p.m. We need representatives from the Sale Committee to attend and explain the online sales. We will also put info on the Facebook page on how to submit online.

Encourage all 4-H advisors to attend the April 27<sup>th</sup> informational meeting about online sales.

Katelynne made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Adi. Motion passed.

Next meeting May 20,2024 at Birchwood Training Center