

Darke County Junior Fair Sheep Committee
February 25, 2024 6:30 PM
Minutes

Committee Members Present: Kim Amspaugh, Sarah Drew, Gary Gehret, Jennifer Sachs, Josh Sargent, Chuck Willcox, Vickie Willcox, Emily Williams, Amy Hanes, Kobe Epperly, Denice McDade

Jr. Fair Board Representatives Present: Adi Schmitz

Guests:

Skillathon:

July 20, 2024 from 8-4pm

Jr. Fair Judges:

The following judges were suggested for the 2024 Sheep Jr. Fair shows:

Evan Snider

Scott Myers for Market

Lesie Myers for Showmanship

Jimmy Davis

Tim Hubbard – showmanship

Maria Crandell

Dave Whitaker

Garrett Franklin

Alan Schminke

Cam Childers

Moved by Sara Drew for Kobe to contact Jimmy Davis and other names on the list for the market shows, and for Chuck Willcox to contact a breeding judge.

2nd by Josh Sargent

Discussion:

- In the past we have paid up to \$350 for a judge. The fair board has offered in the past to pay for 1 night hotel stay and mileage one way.
- Judges will be announced after June 1st.

Motion carried

Celebration of Achievements:

- To be held Wednesday evening
- Grand and Reserve from each barn will be sold live.
- Each committee will be allotted a certain amount of time to auction their animals and give out a few awards.
- All other awards to be given out during individual barn meetings
- All other animals will be sold online. Online sale opens Thursday and will remain active for one week.
- A credit card is necessary to register to use the system; however, you can pay at the sale office if desired.

- The sale committee will be hosting a public meeting in late March, early April, to educate exhibitors and buyers on the new online system.

Sale Fees:

- Fees will increase to 4% from each exhibitor's check

Barn Awards Meeting:

Moved by Gary Gehret to hold the sheep awards barn meeting on Tuesday at 7pm.

2nd by Denise McDade

Discussion:

- Awards that will be given out at this time are scholarship, OME, and skillathon winners.
- Sheep will be released after the barn meeting

Motion carried

Livestock Ownership Days:

- Exhibitors must have their animals in possession a minimum of 60 days

Tagging Dates: To take place at the South end of the Fair Grounds

- May 5th from 2-6pm
- May 7th from 6-8pm
- Hair pulling and 840 tagging will need to be done. Hair pulling instructions can be typed and given out to advisors ahead of time for exhibitors to do themselves in order to save time at tagging.
- We will need approximately 500 envelopes for tagging day

Awards:

Tabled to the next scheduled meeting

Next meeting will be held on March 24th at 6:30pm

Location TBA

Motion to Adjourn made by Denise McDade, 2nd by Sara Drew