

Sanpete County Jr. Livestock Association – Annual Member Meeting November 2019

Reports

Specie Specialists

All reported that there were no problems reported with the livestock contests.

Adding a Bred & Owned Award during the livestock show was passed. Dam must be owned by the exhibitor's family and exhibited by a family member. This award will be given in each specie.

An issue came up and it was discussed that when animals are sent to the floor buyer during the auction, the floor buyer now owns the animal. If someone wants to purchase that animal, they must discuss it with the floor buyer. We need to keep our floor buyers happy since they do a great service trying to get the best prices for our kids.

It was discussed whether we should allow exhibitors to sell one or two animals through the auction. It was decided to keep the auction the same as last year. Exhibitors may sell one animal plus a goat through the auction.

It was suggested that fair t-shirts be handed out when the sale declaration has been turned in to the office.

Parking during the fair was also discussed. It was suggested that we mark off parking spaces and try to organize it better so that we can get people in and out with trucks and trailers.

Building Improvements

Matt Reber reported that the building project is getting done and that he's been working to get us the best deal on things that he can.

Finance Committee

We discussed the Barn Sponsor Signs. In years past it was something like a \$500-\$800 commitment for 5 years and we provided the sign. Since no one is quite sure what was set up, it has been decided to start over and write up a formal contract that can present two different sizes of signs with two different donation amounts. We bill them and we provide the signs. Kim Sorensen will help come up with a contract.

4-H

4-H is doing away with family clubs. Clubs need to be chartered. The requirements include needing at least 5 members from 3 or more families. You can get your charter worksheet from Brandi Reber. You will need an organizational leader and project leaders. You need to include the 4-H pledge and service projects in your club.

The new 4-H year starts September 1st (instead of October 1st as in years past). This is especially important for 4-H members who attend the Utah State Fair. You will need to register again in September so your membership doesn't lapse.

Results from the 4-H Survey – First to Fourth Year 4-H members love everything! Communication between the USU Extension and Livestock Families need to improve. Everyone needs to help with this. Texting may be one of the best ways to communicate. Please make sure your phone number is up-to-date with the 4-H office.

Teen Council. For the older 4-H kids who want more leadership, come be a project Ambassador. Morgan Zanocco is our Goat Ambassador.

The brand inspection fees that the livestock committee pays will be increasing.

There are major changes with the portfolios changing to resumes. Sounds like the new record book requirement has changed from a portfolio to a two page resume. See Brandi Reber for more details and trainings. It was also suggested that we change the minimum record book for those not doing a portfolio record book. Brandi Reber brought a suggested outline.

There are 3 mandatory leader trainings required each year. This meeting counted as the Fall Training. Online training – 4 modules that take about 40 minutes. Brandi Reber also has more information on this.

4-H is looking to use a state tag for your livestock projects that can be used at our county fair and any state show. You can get these tags from Brandi.

Livestock Bowl. For any 4-H member who wants to broaden their livestock knowledge. This is a super fun state contest. Brandi Reber and Natalie Wright are in charge of this so watch for more information.

Recognition. 4-H is considering a Herdsman Contest at the fair this year. It would last the whole week of the fair. You would need to have club identity on your pens, clean pens and livestock, help keep the barn clean around your areas, and judges will walk through to judge the competition.

Livestock Tests. There will be new chapters added to the website.

4-H State Contests are changing. There a program guide with rank advancements and a symposium this fall. There will be leader trainings and workshops, a dance, coincide with TLT, and will be more of a family thing instead of just a contest. Brandi Reber has more information on this as well.

New Business

Election of Officer

President – Landon Sorensen (3rd year)

Secretary – Natalie Wright (1st year)

Sheep Specialist – Brent & Vivian Sorensen

Beef Specialist – Mike Rigby

Vice President – Justin Brinkerhoff (2nd year)

Treasurer – Ashley Denton (4th year)

Swine Specialist – Justin Brinkerhoff

Goat Specialist – Kevin Wright

Finance Committee

Central - Tausha Anderson & Ashley Denton

North – Amanda & Justsin Brinkerhoff

South – Keisha Otten & Brandi Reber

Barn Improvements

We are looking at installing tie rails in the cattle barn on the same day as lamb weigh-ins. We will need portable welders, sticks, and equipment. Landon will organize this.

We need an electrician to look at the swamp coolers for the big barn. Landon will organize this.

We are hoping to get bathrooms and concessions closer to the barns. We also need more garbage cans or dumpsters in the barns and dumped more regularly. We are asking Kevin Wright to discuss this at the fairboard meetings. Moving the garbage cans out for dumping may need to be part of barn clean up every night.

Fundraising ideas discussed for 2020

Sell tickets to raffle off a pig, beef, lamb, and/or goat during the rodeo and derby.
Do concessions at the monster trucks or rodeos.

2020 Fair Dates

Sanpete County Fair	August 22nd – 29 th
Barn Set Up	Monday, August 24 th 5pm
Livestock Test	Monday, August 24 th 6pm
Final Weigh Ins	Wednesday, August 26 th 5pm – 7pm
Exhibitor Meeting	Wednesday, August 26 th at 7pm in the Show Ring
Livestock Judging Contest	Wednesday, August 26 th after the Exhibitor Meeting
Market Contest	Thursday, August 27 th
Swine	8:00am
Sheep	10:30am
Goats	12:30pm
Beef	3:00pm
Open Heifer Show	after Beef
Showmanship Contest	Friday, August 28 th
Swine	8:00am
Dairy	10:00am
Sheep	11:30am
Goats	2:00pm
Beef	3:00pm
Jr. Livestock Sale	Saturday, August 29 th
Buyer's Breakfast	8:00am
Auction	10:00am
Record Books Due	Thursday, September 10 th
Award Banquet	Monday, November 2 nd

Adjourned

Our next meeting was set for Thursday, January 30th at 7pm at the Extension Office.