

4-H LIVESTOCK LEADERS MEETING MINUTES approved

12/10/2019

Meeting called to order by Bruce Modreske at 7:37pm in the Spartan Room. Pledges, Mission & Ground Rules were led by Bruce Modreske.

SECRETARIES REPORT – Karen Percival was unable to attend the meeting. Bruce asked Missy Harvey to take minutes. Roll call indicated 18 clubs represented. List is at end of minutes. Draft November minutes were not ready, they will be sent with December draft minutes for approval in January. A letter from Morgan Sturman was read. A motion to add discussion to new business at tonight's meeting. Motion failed. Motion to add to January Agenda to have club vote to revisit the rule regarding member must show in showmanship, market and at the sale in order to sell market animals. Motion passed.

TREASURERS' REPORT - Jason DeWeerd reviewed the attached Treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dairy Leaders Report – Draft rules to approve

REVIEW & VOTING OF PROPOSED CHANGES/ADDITIONS FOR 4-H DAIRY STARTER PROJECT

(A copy of the updated/approved 4-H Dairy Starter Project rules are attached)

~~DELETE: 4. Dairy starter calves are to be born after January 1 of project year.~~

MOTION PASSED

5. Starter calves must have a RFID tag from farm of origin and plastic ear tag ~~purchased~~ from Allegan County 4-H Livestock Leaders and obtained through the 4-H Program Coordinator.

MOTION PASSED

6. A 4-H Dairy starter Calf Tag Form must be completed; ~~signed by the 4-H Leaders;~~ and in the MSU Extension Office by July 15th (on the ~~Friday before Monday after~~ if the 15th falls on a weekend.)

MOTION PASSED

~~7. Youth may tag up to 2 calves but only exhibit one at the Fair.~~ ~~Delete and use wording from Dairy Steers #7 change to 2 calves and 6 total~~

MOTION PASSED

9. Dairy starter calves must be dehorned and castrated (must be banded or cut, not clamped ~~and healed completely prior to Fair. Animals that arrive at the Fair that have not completely healed will be sent home. (a scur may be up to 2 inches);~~ Animals must be healthy and free from disease.

MOTION PASSED

10. Fitting and clipping will be as for beef steer standards. Not to be clipped as dairy female project. Dairy Starter calves will be shown like a beef steer, with a show stick. ~~Showmanship~~ ~~market~~ class is required. Market animal attire may be worn by exhibitor.

MOTION PASSED

11. Dairy starter calves must be weaned prior to Fair, and weigh between 300 and 700 pounds at weigh in (~~no bawling calves will be allowed to show or stay at the Fair~~). Dairy calves will weigh in with Beef steers on Thursday. See schedule for weigh in time.

MOTION TO APPROVE WITH ADDITION OF WORDING UNDER SWINE. MOTION PASSED.

13. Dairy starter calves must be tied securely at fair with halter and a neck tie.

MOTION PASSED

REVIEW & VOTING OF PROPOSED CHANGES/ADDITIONS FOR 4-H DAIRY STEER PROJECT

(A copy of the updated/approved 4-H Dairy Steer Project rules are attached)

5. Steers must have a RFID tag from farm of origin and plastic ear tag ~~purchased~~ from Allegan County 4-H Livestock Leaders and obtained through the 4-H Program Coordinator.

MOTION PASSED

6. A 4-H Dairy Steer Tag Form must be completed ~~signed by the 4-H Leaders~~; and in the MSUE Office by February 15th (or the ~~Friday before~~ **Monday after** if the 15th falls on a weekend).

MOTION PASSED

7. Family Tagging – The tag sheets are set up so that all 4-Hers in the same family are linked to all animals of that species in that family. (Example a Family has 3 youth enrolled in the 4-H Dairy Steer project. Since every youth can tag 4 the family can have a maximum of 12 Dairy Steers. Giving the 3 youth the option of showing any one of them.)

MOTION TO APPROVE AND ADD INFO FROM BEEF ON CARCASS. MOTION PASSED

8. Dairy steers must be dehorned, castrated, and completely healed prior to fair (**a scur may be up to 2 inches**). Animals must be healthy and free from disease.

MOTION PASSED

10. Fitting and clipping will be as for beef steer standards. Not to be clipped as dairy female project. Dairy Steers will be shown like a beef steer, with a show stick. ~~Showmanship~~ **Market** class is required. Market animal attire may be worn by exhibitor.

MOTION PASSED

PROPOSED CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO YOTUH LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT 2 – YOUTH DAIRY CATTLE

1. Dairy tag sheets need to be turned into the MSU Extension Office by ~~June~~ **July** 15th.

MOTION TO ACCEPT AND ADD OR Monday following if the 15th is on weekend. MOTION PASSED.

2. The youth must be the only one showing the animal after ~~June~~ **July** 15th.

MOTION PASSED

9. **A scur can be up to 2"**

MOTION PASSED

10. **Youth must show their female dairy in a showmanship class in order to be eligible for Gallon of Milk proceeds from the 4-H Market Livestock Auction.**

MOTION PASSED

DAIRY STARTER CALVES / DAIRY MARKET STEERS

- 1549 Dairy Starter/~~Steer~~ Showmanship (15-19 yrs)
- 1550 Dairy Starter /~~Steer~~ Showmanship (13-14 yrs)
- 1551 Dairy Starter /~~Steer~~ Showmanship (11-12 yrs)
- 1552 Dairy Starter /~~Steer~~ Showmanship (8-10 yrs)
- 1553 Dairy Starter/~~Steer~~ Beginner Showmanship (13-19 yrs)
- 1554 Top Dairy Starter & Dairy Steer and Reserve Showman

MOTION PASSED

~~1570 Dairy Steer Showmanship (15-19 yrs)~~

~~1571 Dairy Steer Showmanship (8-14 yrs)~~

~~1572 Dairy Steer Showmanship Beginner (13-19 yrs)~~

~~1574 Top Dairy Market Steer and Reserve Showman~~

NOTE: *The passing of the above motion results in deleting these classes*

REVIEW & VOTING OF PROPOSED CHANGES/ADDITIONS FOR 4-H MARKET GOAT PROJECT

(A copy of the updated/approved 4-H Market Goat Project rules are attached)

PROJECT ANIMAL(S)

1. All Goats must have a Scrapies tag. The Scrapies tag number must be recorded on the tag form which must be turned in by July 15th **or the Monday after if the 15th is on the weekend**. Tag # on record must match tag on goat at weighin.

MOTION PASSED

- 4-H Members must have their Project animal(s) Scrapies tag recorded and in their possession by July 15th. Youth may raise up to 4 animals but may only show one in a market class. The member must be the owner of the project animal(s).

MOTION PASSED

- Family Tagging – The tattoo/tag sheets are set up so that all 4-Hers in the same family are linked to all animals of that species in that family. (Example a Family has 2 youth enrolled in the 4-H market goat project. Since every youth can tag 4 the family can have a maximum of 8 goats. Giving the 2 youth the option of showing any one of eight animals.)
There will be an area to check if the family is entering goat carcass. If that is checked any of the animals can come to carcass and any of them can come to fair for any of the youth in the family

MOTION PASSED

- During weigh in each goat will be designated to an individual member and the member given a plastic numbered tag to be used to identify the goat for the auction and trucking. This tag needs to be put on a collar around the goat's neck the first Saturday of the fair and must remain on the goat thru ship out at the end of fair. The collar and tag will be shipped with the goat.

MOTION PASSED

EXHIBITION AND SALE RULES

~~OLD F. It is the member's responsibility to prepare his/her animal for show. Members may be assisted in grooming by another Allegan County 4-H member, immediate family member and/or Allegan County 4-H Leader.~~

MOTION PASSED

- All Champion and reserve must sell. Champion and reserve animals do not count toward the two species limit at sale. Animals declared as no sale at scale and do not become champions do not sell.

MOTION PASSED

DRESS CODE FOR SHOWS AND AUCTION

The 4-H Livestock Leaders policy for appropriate dress for 4-H members

- For Dairy breeds show attire should be dairy white, white shirt & black pants. Non-Dairy breeds dress neatly and professionally.

MOTION PASSED

PROPOSED CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO YOTUH LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT 8 – YOUTH GOATS

- Exhibitors must show in showmanship class to be eligible for remaining classes. ~~State 4-H Goat Rules will be posted in the barn.~~ Showmanship - follow State 4-H rules. Goats must show in market class to be eligible to sell in the 4-H Market Livestock Sale.

MOTION PASSED

- Pygmy Miniature breed goats may be shown in Non-Dairy Market Wether Classes (at 30 lbs min.)

MOTION PASSED

- ~~Show attire should be dairy white, white shirt & black pants, or market attire.~~ Show attire should be dairy white, white shirt For Dairy Breeds show attire should be dairy white, white shirt & black pants, or market attire. Non-Dairy dress neatly and professionally. Leather or safety boots or athletic shoes must be worn for safety and appearance reasons.

MOTION PASSED

- No horned animals may be shown, with exception of Angoras and Boer Does.

- If room allows Cloverbud youth may bring their own animal.

MOTION PASSED

- A doe 2 years or older that has not freshened may show in Cloverbud class. Doe cannot show in any other class.

MOTION PASSED as did the two changes in classes below

	Alpine	LaMan- cha	Toggen- burg/ Oberhasli/ Saanen	Nubian	Any Other Breeds	Non- Dairy Dairy Breeds
1 st - 1 st Yearling Milker 1 year old	1810	1815	1820	1825	1830	1835

1884 Club Herd (4 does-goats from 1 club) - See definition of club herd under Youth Livestock Rules

REVIEW & VOTING OF PROPOSED CHANGES/ADDITIONS FOR 4-H MARKET RABBIT PROJECT

(A copy of the updated/approved 4-H Market Rabbit Project rules are attached)

PROJECT ANIMALS

1. A 4-H Market Rabbit Pen Tattoo Form must be completed, ~~signed by the 4-H Leader~~ and in the Extension Office by August 10th (or the ~~Friday before Monday after~~ if the 10th falls on a weekend.)

MOTION PASSED

5. Project animals must be kept clean. ~~Youth must be certified per current YQCA standards and a copy of the certificate turned in at the MSU Extension Office before July 1 of the current year. Members must turn in a signed 4-H Market Animal Agreement form during weigh in at the Fair~~

MOTION PASSED

DRESS CODE FOR SHOWS AND AUCTION

- 1, ~~Show attire should follow 4H 1268 "Your clothing should be neat and clean, and should include long pants, slacks or skirt; long-sleeved shirt or blouse; and shoes (no sandals). Your hair should be neatly combed and long hair tied back. Your face and hands should be clean. Fingernails should be clean and neatly trimmed. In a county contest, the superintendent may specify a dress code. In the state contest, it's recommended that you wear a show coat. If you wear a tie, secure it. Jewelry should not be worn during showmanship competition."~~ Showmanship and dress code will be judged by the current MSUE 4-H rabbit fitting and showing member guide.

MOTION PASSED

Poultry Leaders report – draft rules to approve – will be reviewed at January meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2019 Auction Follow Up – Still a few buyers who haven't paid. Dian will be working on these and sending past due notices out.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Protest Procedures – reviewed the current 4-H policy and the Fair policy (see attached). Under Article VI Protests #1. In the 2019 premium book a motion was made to suggest the Fair board change "ten days" to 2 hours following the effected livestock competition or 24 hours for still exhibits. Motion passed.

Self buy back and Add a bid discussion

There was much discussion on the add a bid. Those in favor shared that the buyers wanted to be able to help more youth. Those opposed felt the sale numbers would fall. Dian will get information from surrounding auctions and present to the leaders. A motion was made to try the "add a bid" for the 2020 Auction. Motion passed.

A motion was made to table the "Sell buy back" discussion to the January meeting.

Election of officers for 2020 year. Nominated were: Bruce Modreske for President, Aimee Geurink for Vice President, Jason DeWeerd for Treasurer. Don Berens made the motion to cast a unanimous ballot. Motion seconded. Motion passed. Nominated for Secretary was Missy Harvey and Susan Ostrom. Missy withdrew her name. Don Berens made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Susan Ostrom. Motion passed. Discussion on having someone work with Jason on treasurer business. This position is not currently in the bylaws and the group voted to have Missy Harvey work with Jason DeWeerd. Motion made to have the following teens represent the 4-H Livestock Leaders on the 4-H Council: Stephanie and Jessica Harvey and Kaylee Horton. Motion passed.

4-H Livestock Officers will meet Tuesday, January 7 at 6:30pm in the Spartan Room to develop the proposed budget that will be sent to club leaders prior to the January 4-H Livestock Leaders meeting

Committee sign up for 2020 – pass around sign up sheet and send copy with draft minutes. – this will be moved to the January agenda.

Kendra VanOrder shared that the 4-H Livestock Judging team will be going to the Denver show and judging contest in January. They have been doing various fundraisers and the youth who will be competing shared their thoughts. A motion was made to give the team \$2,000 to help with expenses for the Denver trip. Motion was seconded. Motion passed.

Announcements

- A. 4-H Clubs have until December 31st to get re-enrollments and participation fees in for returning 4-H members. All other paperwork due 12/31 also. 4-H Clubs not complying will be considered inactive and not eligible to vote at county wide committee meetings. Clubs must have at least 5 youth from 2 different families to be considered a club.
- B. Next 4-H Livestock Leaders Meeting: Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at 7:30pm in the Spartan Rm., Human Services Building (SNOW DATE – February 11th)

Motion to adjourn by Jessica Hazen, seconded by Laura Modreske. Meeting adjourned at 10:10pm

CLUBS REPRESENTED : Bovine Beauties and more, Bunker Hill Gang, Country Clovers, Goin' Showin', Hilltop, Hopkins Clever Clovers, Hudson Corners LS, Lakeview, Martin Area LS, Monterey Community, North Allegan Livestock, Purple Circle Swine, Purple Vision, Rabbit River, Rollin Hills, Spartan 4-H, Trowbridge Troopers, Wayland Livestock

Submitted by Missy Harvey

ATTACHMENTS

- Treasurer's report
- Current Protest Policies
- Approved 4-H Dairy Starter Project Rules
- Approved 4-H Dairy Steer Project Rules
- Approved 4-H Market Goat Project Rules
- Approved 4-H Market Rabbit Project Rules
- Proposed changes/additions for Dairy dept. premium book
- Proposed changes/additions for Goat dept. premium book