

Committee Meeting
March 17, 2020
Called to Order at 9:05am

- Aleah Shook
- Emily Schmitt
- Alana Sanchez
- Ashton Redd
- Becky Myers
- Meghan Marcum
- Tracy Anders
- Chris Corbett
- Kenny Salinas
- Corey Brown
- Angelica Rudow
- Michelle Powell
- Angelina Meza
- John Nieto
- David Stambaugh
- Elizabeth Rico
- Reagan Dugan
- Kristen Coates
- Karen Searle
- Jake Myers
- Mike Campbell
- Tracy Hampton
- Danielle Tucker
- Jadee Rohner
- Carlos Gamez
- Wyatt Carpenter
- Jadee Rohner
- Carl Hill

Karen Searle: Here at your own risk, if you don't feel comfortable please leave. The decision made by the PCJLC was 24 hours before the Governor decision to limit gatherings to 50 or less for potentially 8 weeks or more.

Michelle Powell: Valid in our decision to cancel, and meeting at our own risk to develop ideas for moving forward, at this point believes having a jackpot show is out of the question.

Emily Schmitt: Thinks it would be a good idea to give group leaders/advisors t-shirts for distribution.

Alana Sanchez: After following the news, doesn't believe that there is going to be a possibility to have a jackpot show, and should push energy into online auction.

Ashton Redd: Echoes Alana's comment, doesn't believe that there is going to be a possibility to have a jackpot show, and should push energy into online auction. Would like at some point to address

Myers: Fair Passes, Topper Raffle, Add On's, Carcass Awards, Sell for Carcass Awards, Tax Credit for Auction, Drug Test Fees refunded, 6% fee if online auction is completed

Meghan Marcum: Idea to make t-shirts for fundraisers, and sell.

Tracy Anders: Concerned about families spending money, and the outcome of the online auction, would recommend to not do an online auction, and cut your losses.

Angelica Rudow: Spoke with families from group, and families are concerned about a livestock auction an concerned about market prices. If we do an online auction, advertise it, and that it's easy to access for everyone.

Carlos Gamez- Auction Chairman Report: Is going to make an attempt to address questions and concerns.

- Concerned about social media, negativity from individuals, and that information was disclosed before it should have been- very disappointed.
- Auction Committee is meeting today, and nothing is official, please do not share information and provide false hope to kids.
- **Online auction at this point is going to better than nothing.**
- Approximately have 375 market animals, 78 carcasses, 3 DQ, and 4 no shows.
 - If every exhibitor gets \$1000, we need \$375,000.
 - Working hard with Committee to collect donations.
 - Challenge will be to keep under 10 people in a space or most recent government mandates.
- 1. Virtual Reality Looking at assembly of platform, trying to address time to schedule. Concerned that restrictions will be tighter, and tighter. It's difficult to form an idea because things change the next day.
- 2. Online Auction: Exhibitor an Picture
- 3. PCJLC Blue Ribbon is looking for donation of money (credit card, check etc)
 - a. Send money to PCJLC/Blue Ribbon Fund to Post Office Box
 - b. Current design of fund is to bring the bottom up for all species.
 - c. Depending on what mandates come down, worst case we'd divide up money and each exhibitor raising a certain specie would each receive the same amount.
 - d. In lieu of Go Fund Me, encourage people to donate to PCJLC Blue Ribbon Fund.
- Add-On's will still go to Exhibitor
- 6% will still go to PCJLC
- Individuals that purchase will get Tax Credit because it's passed through 501C3
- Max Weight/Sale Weight: Would be determined with type of sale.
 - In Virtual Reality Sale we'd need to weigh the animal in to ensure that animal is appropriate weight (another reason why they've been pushing exhibitors to continue feeding and providing care).
 - Unsure about sale weight, the sale will be at least a week later and understands that weights will be unsure.
- **Goal is in next 48 hours to have plan completed.**
- At this point doesn't recommend private treaty sales, as they will not receive any type of tax break or receive monetary support from PCJLC>
 - **Jake Myers:** If animal is privately sold, will exhibitors still receive Add-Ons?
 - **Cari:** If animal dies, no-shows, exhibitors still get add-on's.
 - **Carlos:** If exhibitor sales outside PCJLC, if they will still receive add-ons.
- **Aleah Shook:** Would like to know if we are going to vote, if it'll decision of the auction Committee:
 - **Carlos:** Believes By-Laws gives his Committee full power to make the decision on ultimate decision on final determine on auction that will be benefit of our exhibitors.

- **Richie Kennedy:** Suggested not including resale in this year's auction, which would simplify process.
- Carcass Sale
 - **Elizabeth Rico:**
 - All hanging Lamb/Goat/Swine carcasses have been standard cut, except for Beef- Miller's can wait a couple of days, but they couldn't wait and needed space and will store.
 - Plans to go get paperwork, pictures and pages.
 - 70 carcass exhibitors
 - Standard cut half, and after awards they have the option to custom cut other half of carcass although it's only a handful that only
 - **Carlos Gamez:**
 - Personal opinion, exhibitors should handle carcass animals on their own BUT he will do whatever needs to be done.
 - **Michelle Powell:**
 - Concerned about processing fee, availability of space in freezer
 - **Elizabeth Rico:**
 - 10 or less have only carcass exhibitor.
 - **Carlos:** ALL CARCASS EXHIBITORS WILL BE INCLUDED IN SALE.
- **Corey Brown:** Supports fully Committee, and believes that they will do their absolute best. Suggestion Auction Chairman, and Committee support and power to continue to support our exhibitors.

Chris Corbett: Supports committee, and decisions.

Kenny Salinas: Supports committee, and decisions. May have

Elizabeth Rico: Blythe (California Fair), was told to go home. Open scales at certain points in County, someone to validate exhibitor, weight of animal, financial form, and that animal is in good health. Different days, and different points over the course of 2-3 days. Any exhibitors that do not participate, reach out to confirm who is not participating in auction. After everything is weighed in, move forward with online auction. Blythe County Fair Auction didn't have exhibitors, or animals in auction- only people present were people to purchase (at this time only 250 mandate in California). Individuals have reached out to support exhibitors that don't have feed, to support exhibitors.

Reagan Dugan: Everything sounds good.

Kristen Coates: Like the idea of making sure each exhibitor made at least their minimum, or that each specie gets "x" per pound vs every specie gets "x" per person.

Angelita: What are we going to do with items that was donated, and purchased. Shavings, Awards, Buckles- can they be reused or returned? Possible rule change for next year, extending

age so that all exhibitors would have the chance to show one more year since they didn't have the chance to show this year.

- **Corey:**
 - T-shirts are printed, the cost is gone. Michelle: Need to develop a plan to distribute.
 - Buckles are going to re-plated for next year.
 - Shavings are at Fair, Tractor Supply is ok with them being kept but not being used for personal/committee gain. Corey is willing to store them at Arizona Grain or return them, plan to work with Hailey.

Karen Searle: Addressing Blythe, that was a whole different world than we lived in now. They got to have a market show, and our kids won't have that experience.

- Passes: Refunds available for carnival passes. Tickets must be brought in.
 - Rest of passes, refunds will be issued to clubs not individuals EXCEPT Casa Grande FFA because their money had yet to be deposited. *Carnival passes must be returned to Pinal County Fair Grounds.*
 - Passes will not be valid for next year.
- Gatherings: At this point the insurance company has advised for **no** gatherings. Gross negligence- when you knowingly bring people together, intentionally opens up a hole can or worms going against governor. This will be revisited in 8 weeks, after May 15th. NOT SAYING that she's not willing to assist, but hands are being tied with every passing hour.
- Also manages Maricopa County Fair, same messages to all- just need time, this is very unknown, and there are people working in the background. The Committee makes a decision, it's one voice, and everyone needs to be on the same page.

Jake Myers: Offer help, thinks we are wasting time tossing around ideas, and call him when you need help.

Mike Campbell: Suggest looking for floor buyers, put together donation letter to inform others of what is happening and how/where to donate, believes that in order for kids to be eligible for support from PCJLC they need to pass them through the determined sale process. Would the Fairgrounds be willing to do receiving of animals?

- **Karen:** Yes, but would need to talk to insurance.
- **Reagan:** Dugan is willing to open facilities for receiving.
 - Basically bring animals in smaller groups, weighed, go straight onto packer, Dugan's will get haul for donation, packer will purchase for market price, buyer will get nothing, and the online auction will just be additional money towards exhibitor's.
 - In addition if state lines are closed, have facilities to hold animals except for pigs, if someone can help with pigs.
- **Corey:** Is knowledgeable about someone to donate feed if the Auction Committee supports.

Wyatt Carpenter: Outcome changes things for future, but encourages everyone to stay calm.

Topper Raffle: Should continue to push to sale, this is a source of funding for our kids. We aren't going to continue to get these types of donated items, if we don't sale tickets and raise money.

- **Michelle:** Asks Members at Large to reach our Leaders/Advisors to see where they are and continue to push.
- **Ashton:** Would like a deadline, and day of future drawing?
- **Michelle:** April 24th deadline to sell, and turn in Monday, leave open for an additional 30 days. April 26th will be drawing.
- **Carlos:** Would like to see how many tickets out to each club, how many returned, and cash/check completed.
- **Corey:** Would like to see ShoWorks be able to collect the money online for Topper Raffle.
- **Cari:** Possible to receive money, if it hasn't been up and running more than 6 months.

Scholarship:

- **Mike:** Mike has certificates, he can meet individually, group or mail. There were 9 scholarship recipients.
- **Carlos & Michelle:** Pictures are important, please have them business attire (no official dress for 4H, and other concerns from Advisors of extra-curriculars). Sooner rather than later.

Carcass Awards:

- **Michelle:** Understands that regardless of decision made, individuals will be unhappy.
- **Corey:** Would like to recommend to give them out, because they were judged before the Fair was cancelled.
- **Carcass Superintendents:**
 - Reagan understands that it was before the show, but awards were on the cancelled Fair day, and is struggling with final decision to hand them out and believes they should not be distributed.
 - Elizabeth doesn't believe that they should receive the awards either.
- **Carlos:** Judged before Cancellations, and should go out to exhibitors.
- **Karen:** Show happened, there was a winner, it's just the ceremony that is cancelled, and they should receive the awards.
- **Angelica:** Disagree with Carcass Superintendents, it's not fair to this group of this group or that group, but a purpose of Fair is to teach life lessons that and that not all situations are Fair. Believes awards should be distributed.
- **Angelita:** Rule Book states that you have to be at the Award Ceremony to receive your award, and that we have been "rule followers" all year and need to continue following those rules.
- **Karen:** If we go by the Rule Book, then no animals can sell, because every kid needs to show showmanship to sell, all of our actions after this are breaking the rules.

Motion: Go forward of distribution of Carcass Awards.

Maker: Corey

Second: Angelica

Discussion:

- Jadee: not specific, need to include delivery and time frame.

Amend: To mail awards to recipients within next 3 days.

2nd: Carlos

Revised Motion: Go forward of distribution of Carcass Award, mailing awards to recipients within the next 3 days.

Amendment Passed. **Motion Passed.**

Buckles, Ribbons and Banners will be mailed.

Motion Maker: Mike Campbell

2nd: Jake Myers

Adjourn @ 11:12am