

Amador County Fair Junior Livestock Advisory Committee (JLAC) Meeting Minutes
Amador County Fair Board Room
March 7th, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

I. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm.

Voting members in attendance: J. Mason, D. Muschetto, D. Bell, C. Gold, B. Clark and A. Stretars.

II. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

February Meeting Minutes- J. Mason would like to amend the prior meeting minutes to include that R. Hoffman was going to follow up on Bagley Keene rules. Please add to meeting minutes from February. D. Bell made a motion to accept the February meeting minutes with the correction proposed above. B. Clark seconded this motion. All in favor and none opposed, motion carried.

III. CEO Report

R. Hoffman- B. Clark came out to the fairgrounds and serviced the scales, they are ready for beef weigh-in to be held this weekend. Valley Scales came out and repaired/serviced the two smaller scales. Jake is confirmed as our auctioneer and Rich is working on the list of judges. He has been assured by the state that there will be funding to pave everything roadway on the fairgrounds. The fire loop project is done, they are checking flow amounts on 3/8/2023. After this project is completed then the beef pavilion will be able to be completed. The windmill restaurant will be converted into a commissary kitchen.

IV. New Business

A. **Herdsmanship Clinic-** J. Mason- there is concern trying to set up a herdsmanhip standard is not possible without set rules of what is considered mandatory care/stall upkeep, etc. Look to set up a herdsmanhip clinic next year and encourage exhibitors to compete for the herdsmanhip award already in place.

B. **Premium Book Review-** Rielle- all species representatives have submitted their changes to the office. Proposed as follows- 1:30pm Market Beef/Heifer weigh in and preg check, followed by the mandatory exhibitor meeting to be held at 3:30pm. The location of this meeting will be listed as TBD in the premium book.

- B. **Goat Sale-** D. Muschetto- do we want to increase the max payout rate from 100 lbs to 105 lbs. Noele made a motion to make the top payout for goats \$100 and to continue using Superior. Barry provided a second. All approved and none opposed. Motion carried.
- B. **Beef Weigh-In** - Amy Waters will bring their chute for this weekend. J. Mason asked who is all planning on coming, Toni, Denise, Ryan Mendoza and Rielle. Rielle will bring the ear tags and tagger the morning of weigh in.

- E. **Charter Revision** - N. Richmond- phone participation and maintaining normally scheduled meetings. Do we need to change our charter? Do we fall under the public meeting act? R. Hoffman did mention that as of June 30th, 2023, attending meetings via zoom will no longer be permitted unless the location of the member attending via zoom is posted and available for other members of the public to join them at that locale.

- F. **Auction Coordinator** - R. Hoffmann- still working through the auction coordinator decision. He will have more information at our next meeting.

- G. **Avian Influenza-** N. Richmond- It is rampant throughout each county in the state. Now is the time to decide whether we are going to have poultry at our fair. CDFA is working nonstop to try to stop the spread. It is not limited to wild birds only, it is prevalent both in domestic and wild birds now. The State Fair is still holding their poultry show. It was suggested to continue with our plans to hold a poultry show. If CDFA sends out a mandate to shut down our poultry show, we will certainly comply. .

V. Old Business

- A) **Supreme Champion-** S. Hindman- going to have artwork submitted and then the banners will be ordered. Sponsorship- there is a new donor who has pledged \$500 for the supreme champion program.

- B. **Tear Down Update-** R. Hoffman- will be asking Kenny Deaver about hiring his crew for help with tear down.

- C.) **Ag Mech Update-** N. Richmond- Carly Benner was going to talk to Ryan Mendoza about this program. Postpone until next year.

Roundtable-

A. Stretars- Farm Bureau will be donating again to JLAC infrastructure and also be sponsoring belt buckles and premiums. D. Bell brought up that Amador County kids are doing a great job with

the ARBA Queen, Princess and Duchess ranking. They are really representing Amador County so well and we are very proud of all the youth!

Adjournment- B. Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting, D. Muschetto seconded this motion. All were in favor and none opposed. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 17:17pm.

Meeting Minutes Respectfully submitted by
A. Stretars- JLAC Secretary