

April 13th livestock committee meeting was called to order at Library at 6:30 p.m. by Carlena. Those present were Carlena, Chris, Desiree, Jessica & Kelty, Kristy, Lorie, Dean, Tanya, & Tana

For unfinished business, Melanie Oliver was confirmed as Round Robin judge for dairy. She will also do a Dairy Clinic this spring – Carlena will organize clinic with Melanie and dairy members. It will be open to anyone interested in attending. Cody Cowan will judge goat & Lorie Cowan sheep (from Sentinel Butte). We will ask Katelynne Dynneson to judge beef. We still need to find swine judge

There was nothing new on sale flyer. Marnie's update – all buyers have paid, Youth which have not paid their fees yet are Layne Meek, Conley Hoagland, Hoves, Zeimers, & Brenners

A correction to minutes to last meeting: **the building fees are \$10 for beef. \$5 for lamb, goat, and hog**

A cleanup day –to do list was handed out by Desiree. Please continue to think of things to add to 2017-2018 budget and let Marnie or Carlena know suggestions. 2016-2017 will be our baseline year.

Suggested Line Items are: Advertising, Renovation/building, Livestock Judging Team, Judges – Round Robin

Fair items – At Runnings, the self-retracting 100' hose is \$129.99. It was moved, seconded, & carried to purchase the retractable hose. Gary Huber will either help with June Weigh-in or make sure a scale is provided and will provide the same for Fair. Weigh-in for hogs, sheep, and goats will be on May 31st 5-7 p.m. at the fairgrounds. Termites in sheep pens poles will be sprayed. Carlena will notify us of when this will happen.

Quality Assurance UPDATE – Jackie has sent notices three have not turned them in (**Hannah Brenner, Sari Murphy, Ashlee Coon**) – **It was moved, seconded, & carried to have May 1 as the final deadline for 2017. If not turned in they will not be allowed to show animals at fair.** Kelty mentioned that in her state meeting she learned that Dawson is the only county that doesn't have a hands-on training. Wendy & Tana are actually working on ideas for that for Dawson County already and will present info when they have it ready to present. It was noted that there are more resources available online.

Badlands does not have the staff to be able to commit to help clerk the Buyers table. 1 person who is a 4-H parent is willing to help. Carlena is checking with McCone Federal Credit Union. Not likely. Stockman wants to get paid. Couple hours and a meal were discussed. Carlena will talk to US Bank & BNCU & Julie Walker & NW Farm Credit. If needed, Tana will approach Redwater Bank in Circle.

It was moved, Seconded, & carried to do **carcass evaluation and no ultra sound on sheep for 2017**

Regarding the Showmanship Manual, the SUB COMMITTEE will meet at Library at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19th. Added to committee were Jessica & Tanya.

Under NEW BUSINESS, Help at fair suggestions of help were alumnae – Rices, Angela, Tienna. We will ask Marnie to meet with Marianne for her ideas for clerking now close to when her sale is done. Tana will ask Scott Mickelson to be a ring man for the sale. He may have ideas for clerking too.

Livestock policy revisions were discussed. It was moved to **charge \$5 per animal sold to the youth for the thank you newspaper ad after livestock sale. It was moved to continue to have the livestock committee pay transportation mileage fees for livestock.** Tana will type changes, email out for comment, and we will meet 15 minutes prior to May Council meeting to approve it.

Tanya suggested the idea of having a banquet in the fall where kids can sit with buyer and premium donor and actually visit. This would be in lieu of a buyer meal at the sale.

Chris will check with Allen from Quality Meats about being the carcass judge for us this year.

State livestock/horse forum was re-scheduled to November.

Next meeting will be 6:30 on June 21st @ fairgrounds – we may try to paint in the center of the beef barn then or before that date.