

Northwest Michigan Livestock Council

Minutes

September 13, 2021

- I. Call to Order @ 6:30p.m. (Pledges)
- II. Officers in attendance- Kayce Caugh, Keri Bancroft, Anna Fryer, Leslie Campbell
 - a. Megan Town Absent
- III. MSU Staff
- IV. Members in Attendance- Shayna Conger, Elaine Taghon, Dan Campbell, MaryLynn Robertson, Kim Franke, Heather Horn, Katelyn Horn, LeeAnne Murchie, Randy Stockfisch, Kelly Stockfisch, Sarah Youker, Mark Barley, David Robinson, Haven Robinson, Dawson Robinson, Tammy Nemeskal, Karen Zenner, Brent Edgecomb, Courtney Clark, Jamie Hansen, Marcy Ellul, Julia Ellul, Amanda Brooks, Rose and Jo Ann Bohrer, Kadin Crosley, Olivia Rice, Leslie Littlefield, Candy Humphrey, Khiela Alpers, Robin Gildner, Jennifer and Lillian Wasson, Maria Gahraves, Laurie Ashley, Lisa Ralph, Vanja Griffin, Chris Barley, Mike Barley, Megan Sullivan, Mike Sullivan, Adam D (Livestock Livin), Andrea Bedrick, Rosie Belles, Beth Stephens, Kristine Belles, Lydia Zenner, Jennifer Stephens, Heather Rosa, Jessie Milne, Sandi and Abigail Pyle, Clara and Bennett Marsh, Mark and Nicole Wade, Matt Maratea, Marsha Maratea, Megan Maratea, Sami Zientek, Pam Zientek, Marni Lapaugh, Dorothy Fritz, Rosie Shaffer, Leanna Wares, Gwyn Carter, Lynn Henning, Jason Gill, Diane Moyer, Crystal Breithaupt, Gretchen Sauvage, Kelly Kraeft, Amanda Wilkins, Mandy DePuy, Addison Kraeft, Renee Hobbins, Heather Watson, Nicole Meredith, Andrea Hagelstein, Reece Canfield, Deb Canfield, Alyssa Fouchey, Alice Thiel, Emily Thiel, Lucy Thiel, Molly Thiel, Susie Greter, Brylile Greter, Krystyna Griffith, Eve Griffith, Christina Honeycutt, Tracy Jenkins, Lori and Levi Cedarquist, Rebecca Shaub, Allsion Wittkopp
- V. Additions to Agenda
- VI. Approval of July 26th Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve by Rosie Belles seconded by Kelly Stockfisch. Minutes approved.
- VII. Treasurers Report
 - a. Report given in email and read by Leslie Campbell
- VIII. Brent Edgecomb to address the group
 - a. Here as a previous Livestock buyer. There are things with the program he is in not in agreement with and livestock program. He was a president for many years. He is willing to form a committee with 6 people from the fair board along with Kayce to sit with the livestock council and 4H members. The goal is to review the IAFE ethics. He would like MSU committee involved in the committee to perhaps amend and explain ethics. He will be back at 6pm on October 4th to provide input on the committee meeting and available for concerns, questions, and/or feedback if necessary.
 - b. Looking to make IAFE Code of Show Ethics available. Needs to be email blasted and posted on our Facebook page.
 - c. Page 19 of the premium book has the website with the Code of Ethics
 - d. Looking to mirror our premium books.

- IX. Nicole Wade
 - a. Signatures to look at tagging by laws for pigs.
 - b. Look at possibly doing digital verification.
- X. Fair Board News
 - a. From Kayce- looking to sell extra boxes of sausage
 - i. Goes to Reining liberty Ranch
- XI. 4-H/MSU SpotLight

Happy September to you all! First, I would like to say how thankful I am for all of you and your dedication to 4-H. You have made this job enjoyable and rewarding for me, and you have all taught me so much! And, as most of you are aware already, I am stepping down from my staff position in Leelanau on September 30th. My position will be posted this week, so if you know of anyone who is looking for a job like this, let them know to keep an eye out for it!

To help everyone with this transition time between staff members in Grand Traverse and Leelanau, I have information for you so that you can make sure your clubs remain active this new 4-H year and you re-enroll as volunteers and youth members in 4HOnline.

Any of our 4-H offices can send paper forms for your annual club paperwork or for your 4HOnline 2.0 enrollment (adult volunteer or youth). Just let us know if this is needed. Brigid Hart is your contact (after September) in Leelanau at 256-9888 or bhart@msu.edu and Veronica Wilson is your contact in Grand Traverse, at 922-4623 or vmork@msu.edu

These are the things we need from you if you are a club leader:

- A completed Annual Financial Summary Report (with zeroes filled in even if you don't have a bank account)
- One copy of club minutes from the last year (September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021): any format is fine. Typed, handwritten, etc.
- A signed copy of our County 4-H Civil Rights Form
- A Fundraiser Application Form (if your club is hoping to hold a fundraiser this fall)
- Your changes for the Club Listing for Leelanau or Grand Traverse (phone numbers, meeting spaces, projects)

Also: all volunteers need to complete their National Background Check authorizations and sign (virtually) the Code of Conduct in the Volunteer Central system.

You will receive an email from Volunteer Management System (MSU Extension) letting you know that it's time for you to complete this. We can also check on the deadline for you--just let us know, especially if you don't receive an email. Same password as last year, and we can reset it easily for you to help you get in. Here's the link for logging in when you need to:
https://msu.samaritan.com/custom/502/volunteer_login

When you have completed your authorizations, it will tell you that they are “complete.” Currently, the company we are contracting with to do the background checks is finalizing the contract with us, so ignore any follow-up emails telling you to do it, if you see the “complete” message.

When you are in Volunteer Central, please also complete the Training called Welcome to MSU Extension. This is under the My Trainings tab. This will be your leader training for this fall. It’s about a half-hour to complete it.

And, starting on September 15th, the 4HOnline 2.0 system will take re-enrollments for both youth and 4-H volunteers. You cannot go in there prior to that date.

<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

Once you have done Volunteer Central, 4HOnline 2.0, and submitted all of your club paperwork to our office (if you are a club leader), you will be an active 4-H volunteer again.

Also, remember that we are no longer charging the \$20 4-H participation fees, so families do not need to pay those to be active 4-H members. They will just need to re-enroll in 4HOnline 2.0 after the 15th.

The other reminder is that MSU Extension/Michigan 4-H is requiring everyone involved with 4-H programs to wear masks (regardless of vaccination status) while they are in an indoor space. Outdoors, no masks are required. Please consider this as you plan club meetings and other events.

*The NW Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports Club is offering archery for youth ages 8 years old and up. (Must be 8 years old by 1/1/22.) Sessions will take place from September 15 - October 20, 2021 (6 sessions) on Wednesdays. Participants can choose a class from EITHER 5-5:45pm OR 5:45-6:30pm. All skill levels are welcome! Youth can bring their own equipment, or a recurve bow and arrows will be available for their use. The sessions will be held at the old 4-H property, 1397 W Burdickville, Road, Maple City, MI 49664; across from Myles Kimmerly Park in Leelanau County. The registration deadline is 9/15/21 by 4pm. The cost is \$20 per participant, which includes a club t-shirt and supply/equipment fees.

To pre-register, send an email to Brigid Hart at bhart@msu.edu with: your participant's name, session choice (5:00 OR 5:45), age, skill level, contact phone number and adult t-shirt size (small, medium, large, x-large). Also, bring your \$20 fee of cash or check (payable to: NW MI 4-H Shooting Sports Club), to your first session. Look for an email on September 15th with directions on how register with 4-H Online, a requirement, and for any club updates.

*We also have the donated thank-you note materials here at the meeting that we were using in the Tanner Building during Fair. If you have not yet written a thank you note (to your buyer, to a club leader, to another person you would like to thank), please come over and get what you need. Adults, this also includes you! It’s a wonderful thing to receive a handwritten thank-you note.

Again, thank you all so much for everything you do for our 4-H programs. I will miss working with you all!

Thank you very much,

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- XII. Old Business
 - a. 2021 Fair Wrap Up
 - i. Senior Awards
 - ii. Buyer Awards left from fair to be handed out
 - b. Record Books
 - i. Due tonight September 13, 2021
 - ii. If they do not have them they need to be give ASAP
 - c. Thank you notes
 - i. If the "Thank you" note is in book it is all set, if not it needs to be at October meeting.
 - ii. Spreadsheet for checking off record and thank you notes are available on the drive.
- XIII. Species Chair Updates
 - a. Horse
 - i. Everything is good
 - b. Dairy Feeder
 - i. No Report
 - c. Junior Beef
 - i. Great year! Always kids in the barn and clean. Look forward to next year.
 - ii. Suggest finding breeders for Spring Calves.
 - iii. Donated calves, please send a "thank you" to the purchaser
 - d. Large Beef
 - i. Check with farmer what vaccines/wormers have been give
 - ii. Jr. Beef may not have been vaccinated for the whole year
 - iii. Check with 4Her if from fair
 - iv. Will be reaching out to those who won for housing situations/feed program
 - e. Swine
 - i. Thank you! Great kids and thank you for having "faith in me" (Nicki)
 - f. Lamb
 - i. Thank you taking time to take a survey. Everything is going great and looking for possible changes to grow the lamb program.
 - g. Rabbit/Cavy (633-4492)

- i. Thank you for the program! MSU state show is coming up, 2 4Hers will be competing in this.
 - h. Poultry
 - i. Thank you! It was a great year.
 - ii. Will be putting out 2022 dates soon.
 - iii. Backyard poultry questions if needed.
 - i. Llama/Alpaca
 - i. Fun time, lots of alpacas. (next year more Llamas)
 - ii. Getting more panels for more animals
 - iii. Blood Drive- 41 people
 - j. Goats
 - i. We had a great year! Ready to move forward to a great year
 - k. Dogs
 - i. Dog show was "small but mighty"
 - ii. Farm dog was successful
 - l. Differently Abled
 - i. Looking forward to changes for next year.
- XIV. Committees
 - a. Buyers lunch
 - i. Great success with many volunteer
 - ii. Feed 530 versus 597 in 2019
 - iii. 331 buyers and 82 volunteers
 - iv. Thank you sponsors, livestock council, and all the water
- XV. New Business
 - a. Species Chair Applications
 - i. Online
 - b. By Law Change Proposals-Listed on the Website as a main tag (pdf)
 - i. They were due on Sept 3rd, October we will discuss them, voted in November at the annual meeting.
 - c. 2022 Project Donations
 - i. Still taking donations
 - 1. Goal to give one to each species (November meeting)
 - 2. This year will be up to youth to find the breeder.
 - a. Example pay breeder directly or reimbursement.
 - i. If animal is more expensive the 4Her will be responsible for the difference.
 - b. This will allow the children to have more control over their project.
 - ii. All kids will be eligible for feed grant both show and market animals.
 - d. Executive board will be needing in October
 - i. Vice president and Treasurer available
 - e. Water that was donated is available for suggested donation of \$3/case
- XVI. Questions/Comments
 - a. Letter writing sooner in the week.

b. Super senior pigs for 2022?

i. Yes

XVII. Adjourn

Meeting motioned to adjourn by Mary Lynn Robertson, and Rosie Belles seconded it. Adjourned at 7:29pm.