

Northwest Michigan Livestock Council

MINUTES

Monday, February 5, 2018

OFFICERS: Brad Jewett, Barb Crosley, Kelly Kraeft, Keri Bancroft, Amber Pomper

TEEN REPS: Jen Stephens, Hannah Gaither

STAFF: Karin Stevens, Rosali Collier

PRESENT: Carol Usiondek, Rebecca Schaub, Ann Porter, Rosile Shaffer, Doris & Micah Hagedorn, Jeremy & Anne Grant, Laura Guerin, Linda Oosse, Elaine Taghon, Nicole & Mark Wade, Laurel Wade, Mann Wade, Matthew Horn, Hannah Gaither, Toni Chilson, Mark Noonan, Adam Wilcoxon, Darlene Wilcoxon, Ayla Weldon, Scott Buckley, Nikki Meredith, Helen Rought, Candace Rottman, Elodia Peplinski, Bella Canfield, Spencer Canfield, Reese Canfield, Deb Canfield, Pam & Jerry Bender, Tammy Leishman, Melissa Burch, Roger & Tara Steffes, Nancy & Grace Keyser, Adrian, Carlyne Woodhams, Karin Neumann, Tonya Baker, Miranda Thompson, Janet Sieffert, Andrea Bedrick, Vanja Griffin, Cliff Wares, Cindy Conquest, Lori Cederquist, Jessie Milne, Graham Gray, Stephanie Wolf, Jasmine Yanke, Travis Beechraft, Peyton Burn, Marcy Ellul, Nicki Brown, Jeff Goodwin, Deb Wilcoxon, Natalie Thon, Mitchell & Michelle Vantosell, Tegan Elkins, JoJo Okeke, Heather Rosa, Mary Lynn Robertson, Michelle Robertson, Pam Zientek, Rose & JoAnn Bohrer, Rudy Neumann, Jodie Kaley, Gretchen Sauvage, Baily Lautner, Gwendolyn Neumann, Isabelle Peplinski, Darick Peplinski, Chris Barley, Laurie Ashley, Tina Peplinski, Andrea Hagelstein, Dave Robinson, Mila, Anne Seitz, Savannah Peplinski, Deb Shelagowski, Lisa Ralph, Mary Ann Wilsey, Roger Wilsey, Heather Horn, Ryan Stoops, Izzy Bielski, Sophia Haas, Paxton Reed, Michelle Hill, Jennifer Wasson, Amanda Smeltzer, Renee Hobbins, Lynn Henning, Gwyn Carter, Amanda Wilkins, Kathy Easter, Diane Moyer, Dale & Dorothy Fritz, Betsy Wagner, Shelly Gray, Jen Stephens

CALL TO ORDER: Pledges were recited. 41 4-H Clubs were present

MINUTES: Jan. 8th minutes were approved. Motion by Lori Cederquist 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gretchen Sauvage

TREASURER'S REPORT: Keri went over the January treasurer's report – Motion by Gretchen Sauvage and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dale Fritz to approve. We have a new Deputy Treasurer: Amber Pomper

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS: Beth Stephens will be the new Goat Specie Chairperson and Karla Blackmer will be her Assistant.

FAIRBOARD NEWS: Premium Books are underway. Karin Neumann needs any changes by Friday and will be doing all advertising. Spot are available for Businesses or 4-H Parents that want to do a "shout out" in the book, forms are available for this.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT:

Karin Stevens –

We are still taking donations of food and personal items for two local school pantries – Traverse City High School and the New Campus Spirit Pantry. We are collecting donations until Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> in our office Monday-Friday 8-5.

We had our first "Life skills for young adulthood" retreat this past weekend on Money Management. WE had a great time and youth learn a lot! Thank you to all who helped and participated! Our next retreat will be Friday-Saturday, March 16-17 on Career and Work Force Prep. Youth will explore careers,

put together a resume, learn about dressing for success, proper handshakes, etc. and get an opportunity to participate in mock interviews with feedback. This is for youth ages 15-19. Location to be announced soon.

Embryology for adults is happening Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at the MSU Extension office on Front Street. Registration is required and registration and details are available on <https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=B0B96D8A1E336A11> . Cost is \$30 for materials and lunch.

Grand Traverse 4-H Leadership Assn. is accepting college scholarship applications from graduating 4-H seniors and those currently in college. Applications are available on the NW Michigan 4-H Website or the Grand Traverse 4-H office. They are due April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Northern Michigan 4-H Rabbit and Poultry Palooza is happening at the Kalkaska Fairgrounds on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Watch for more details coming out soon.

Rosali Collier –

### **Wednesdays, April 4-25, and Saturday, May 5: Leelanau County 4-H Tractor Safety Program**

*NW Michigan Research Station, Traverse City*

This workshop is designed for 4-H teens aged 14 and up by January 1<sup>st</sup>. Cost is \$85 per person, which includes the \$20 participation fee, classes, manual, certificate, and lunch on the final test day. Some scholarships are available. Registration due March 23.

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/TractorSafety2018/>

## **4-H Workshops and Events**

### **February 16-17: 4-H Veterinary Science Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop**

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

This workshop is designed for 4-H teens and adults who are fascinated by animal health and want to explore animal systems. Registration due Feb. 4.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4\\_h\\_veterinary\\_science\\_teen\\_and\\_adult\\_leaders\\_workshop2](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_veterinary_science_teen_and_adult_leaders_workshop2)

### **February 17: 4-H Dog Project Leaders and Judges Workshop**

*Michigan State University, East Lansing*

Learn how agility, obedience, rally and showmanship classes are evaluated. Registration due Feb. 9.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_dog\\_project\\_leader\\_and\\_judges\\_workshop\\_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_dog_project_leader_and_judges_workshop_1)

### **February 17-18: 4-H Beef, Sheep and Swine Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop** *Kettunen Center, Tustin*

Take your beef, sheep or swine project to the next level by attending this workshop and learning about animal health, management, care and nutrition. Registration due Feb. 4.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4\\_h\\_beef\\_sheep\\_and\\_swine\\_teen\\_and\\_adult\\_leaders\\_workshop2](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_beef_sheep_and_swine_teen_and_adult_leaders_workshop2)

## March 9-11: Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

Learn about Michigan agriculture, increase knowledge of the dairy industry, and develop life skills!

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_dairy\\_conference\\_2](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_dairy_conference_2)

## March 17-18: Challenge U 4-H FunFest

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

Youth ages 9-13 will learn about food science and healthy living while meeting youth from around the state.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/challenge\\_u\\_4\\_h\\_funfest](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/challenge_u_4_h_funfest)

*For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

If you're a 4-H Leader make sure you sign up for a committee otherwise you are placed on one by the March meeting. Brad went thru the open spots.

Auction Committee: Next meeting will be March 20<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm – Grawn United Methodist Church, anyone is welcome.

Farm Bureau Record Book winners have been chosen. There is a new staff member there and didn't know not to mail the checks to the winners, so some received them, and Keri has a couple to hand out. Keri read the list of winners and this will be posted on FB.

Auction Luncheon - Laurie Ashley is working on this and will have quotes by the March meeting for a caterer.

Differently Abled: 5 kids are signed up. We have kids from Manistee & Benzie county this year.

Education Clinics: Sign in sheets need to be turned into Nicki Brown. Please help make sure the names are written clearly as there are some forms that names are not able to be read. Sign in sheets can be emailed to Nicki @ [garey@msu.edu](mailto:garey@msu.edu).

4-H Dance: Dave has the DJ scheduled.

Ice: Ice will be \$5/bag. You can purchase at the same location which is Long Lake Livestock campsite and they will be out daily making deliveries.

Photography: Karin Neumann will be putting a schedule together.

Pizza Party: Renee Hobbins will get with Barb Crosley for the details.

Round Robins: Questions and format will be put together by May for the June meeting.

Website: Check website for details as it is being updated. Baily Lautner will be working with Wendy Baker this year.

Work bees: Brad went over the work bee dates. Sign up Genius will be open April 1<sup>st</sup> to sign up for the dates.

## SPECIE CHAIR UPDATES:

All Specie Chairs have been asked to update their record books by March 1<sup>st</sup> so please make sure you wait until then to print and start working on your record books, so you have the correct version.

Steer – 58 steers, 8 seniors. Tagging has started. Please keep water thawed. If you are vaccinating your animal, please wait until after winter as this could cause health issues if done during the winter.

Dairy Feeder – Should be getting your calf as you must have by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Health forms are on the website. Changes were made to the record book and the new version will be on the website soon.

Keep your animals watered and lots of bedding as they are very critical this young. First cattle clinic will be Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm at the Governmental Center Café. Please sign up on the FB event so Amanda has an idea on how many kids to expect.

Junior Beef: Calves must be born after Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> with possession date by May 15<sup>th</sup>. You must vaccinate your own calf this year. We have 14 Junior Beef signed up.

Swine: Possession date is May 1<sup>st</sup>. All registrations are due tonight. Tagging will be at the fairgrounds May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5-8pm and May 5<sup>th</sup> – 8am to Noon.

Sheep: Registrations are due March 1<sup>st</sup>. Clinics are being set up. June 6<sup>th</sup> – 3-7pm at the Fairgrounds will be the 1<sup>st</sup> shearing. July 28<sup>th</sup> – 9am – Noon. Working on getting another specie specific clinic. Vaccination this year is required for over eating and booster 30 days before the Fair. You must have a health form.

Goat: 1<sup>st</sup> clinic was last Saturday with 26 4-Her's. March registrations are due. May 1<sup>st</sup> is possession date. Beth Stephens is the new Specie Chair and Karla Blackmer will be her Assistant.

Rabbit/Cavy: Registrations are due at the March meeting. Make sure you keep your animals warm.

Poultry: All market poultry must be ordered from a pullorum free hatchery. All poultry must have a dated receipt showing date of hatch. Market birds must be in possession by the following 2018 dates:

Production pullets, now until Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> (consult L.C. guidebook for acceptable breeds)

Turkeys, BB white or BB bronze April 9<sup>th</sup> to April 20<sup>th</sup>

Geese – white emdben only – April 9<sup>th</sup> to April 24<sup>th</sup>

Meat Birds – White Cornish rock cross from April 4<sup>th</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup>

Meat Ducks – Rouen or pekin from June 4<sup>th</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup>

Cornish Game Hens – white Cornish rock cross from July 9<sup>th</sup> to July 13<sup>th</sup>, the project for 4-Her's ages 9 to 11 only.

2018 Clinic dates held at the Fairgrounds – Poultry barn – June 10<sup>th</sup>, June 19<sup>th</sup> & June 24<sup>th</sup> all begin at 6pm.

Llama/Alpaca: Make sure your animals are bedded and watered.

Dog: Clinics will be May 20<sup>th</sup> & June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Horse: Tack sale March 3<sup>rd</sup> at First Christian Church by Best Buy. Horse & Pony doing boot camp again May 12<sup>th</sup> & May 13<sup>th</sup>. Jeopardy was a huge success with 40 youth.

OLD BUSINESS: Auction line-up has changed. Please let your buyers know. This will be posted on Facebook and emailed to all.

Haberlein – start at 9am with Steer, Dairy Feeder, Junior Beef and then Swine

Rosa – Will stay in the afternoon and mix up order – lambs, rabbits, turkeys, production, meat, Cornish, ducks & goats.

NEW BUSINESS: Thank you requirements have changed. You must have proof of delivery to the buyer at the October meeting to pick up your check. You must have a tracking number from the USPS or if delivered in person to your buyer then you need to have the buyer sign the required form. Need to add that they must include a 5x7 picture, putting it in a frame is even better.

Fair Required Tools: Must bring your own supplies as they will not be provided this year. We continue to purchase tools every year as they walk away after fair so putting the responsibility on the 4-Her.

There was discussion about swine and how the hoses are hooked up and the concern with safety of the 4-her's, however they can be brought down so it's easier for the youth. Also, each Specie Chair has money they can use in the budget if they choose to purchase hoses, nozzles, brooms, shovels etc. It was also noted the Superintendents have money in a budget as well. Some wanted a work bee after Fair to put these items away, so they do not walk away. We also have a cleanup crew to help.

Adjourn: 1<sup>st</sup> Gwen Neumann 2<sup>nd</sup> Gretchen Sauvage – motion approved to adjourn.

Next Meeting:

Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm

Redeemer Lutheran Church

Specie Chair Meeting – 6:00pm

General Education Session – 6:00pm