

Northwest Michigan Livestock Council

MINUTES - Final

Monday, January 9, 2023

OFFICERS: Keri Bancroft, Nicki Brown, Leslie Campbell, Tammy Nemeskal. Absent: Amber Pomper

TEEN REPS: Marin Barrett, Noah Send, Kelsey Bott, Holly Heuser, Ellie McKenzie, Collin Heuser and Darlene Wilcoxon.

STAFF: Rosalie Collier and Emily Kotz

PRESENT: See attached.

CALL TO ORDER: Time 6:31 pm

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Addition of Committee Updates

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

- No Comments

MINUTES: November 7, 2022 minutes were approved. Motion by Hannah Gaither 2nd by Lisa Ralph, to approve the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

See attached Financial Statements for November and December

FAIRBOARD NEWS: Reported by: Keri Bancroft

MAFE Convention, four of the LS Board members will be attending the MAFE Convention on January 12-14, 2023 with the Fair Board.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT:

Emily:

- Guided hike at Sleepy Bear Dunes on February 4, 2023 for any 4-Hers that want to attend. The start time is at 10:00 am for about an hour, afterwards there will be time for the dune climb and have hot cocoa afterwards. Free of charge.
- Grand Traverse Youth Leader Association is able to sponsor club wish lists for the foreseeable future because of a generous donation last year. E-mail has been sent to leaders. For educational needs, special equipment that your club needs for this year, scholarship funds to attend educational opportunities, any show practice equipment you need for this year. Send it to Emily and the Grand Traverse Youth Leaders Association will review it and they are due by January 27, 2023.
- Emily is in need of submissions for the Grand Traverse County Newsletter. Doing a 4H member spotlight on youth or a club and the work they have been doing for the year. If you have a submission, please let Emily know. .
- Cone Drive has reached out to Emily and are interested in giving a plant tour to a group of 4-Hers, ideally juniors or seniors in High School so they could see what career opportunities they could have. If you have any club members that age, contact Emily.

Question from Audience: when is the guided hike?

Emily: February 4th

Rosalie:

- RSVP for Leelanau County are due for Leelanau County 4 H Award Celebration, taking place this Sunday, January 15, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Bay Theater in Suttons Bay, refreshments will be provided along with a movie showing of SHREK.
- Tanner Committee met today, preparing for the Club Booth Display information and project judging, demonstrations, and Cloverbud activities this coming fair season. Theme is Tell Your 4 H Story. More info will be given at the February Livestock Council meeting. If interested in serving with the committee, contact MSU Extension staff.

Leelanau County 4 H Club Babysitting Club is taking registrations for the 2023 year. Open to all youth in grades 6th - 8th and limited to a class size of twenty. Club will meet on five Sundays: February 5th and 12th from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for the CPR and First Aid portion and you get a 2 year certification. February 19, 26, and March 5 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. for the curriculum portion. Location is the Suttons Bay Fire and Rescue station. The total cost for youth is \$30.00. Register through 4HOnline in Leelanau County and send a check to the Leelanau County 4 H Office.

Leelanau County 4 H Youth association is still looking for a new treasurer to help manage the budget and spending, meet once a month and are a small but mighty group. If you know of anyone with basic bookkeeping experience and would like to help out, just one meeting per month, e-mail tax exchanges, and Rosalie promises to make it as easy as possible. Contact Rosalie if interested.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 2023 Budget
 - Keri Bancroft: December 6th, updated budget from November Meeting was emailed to council from Keri B. In November bylaws were unknown, after the election of bylaws, the budget needs to be cut \$6500.00 from the budget. The budget was updated, and this was electronically sent out.
 - Tammy Nemeskal:
 - Advertising
 - Originally: \$1,000.00
 - Updated: \$500.00
 - Animal Equipment
 - Originally \$3,000.00
 - Updated \$2,000.00
 - Awards
 - Originally \$5,000.00
 - Updated: \$4,500.00
 - Interpreter
 - Originally: \$3,000.00
 - Updated: \$2,000.00
 - Technology
 - Originally: \$5,000.00
 - Updated: \$3,500.00
 - Appreciation Fund
 - Originally: \$1500.00
 - Updated: \$750.00
 - Showmanship Showdown
 - Originally: \$1000
 - Updated: \$500.00
 - With the above changes, the budget is balanced.

- Technology category does include all software renewals each year which is over \$1,000.00 which is automatic. That number is an item members have questioned in the past. This list includes but is not limited to ShoWorks, Microsoft, Weebly Website, etc.
- **Keri Bancroft: Any questions on the budget**
- **Audience: none**
- *Motion: Motion by Gretchen Savage and 2nd by Elaine Taghon, to approve the budget. All Ayes, no Nays. Budget carries*
 - Keri Bancroft: with the budget, if we get into a situation where we need extra funds for purchasing something for the council or the program we will come to the membership and have to have a special vote in order for us to be able to purchase.
- 2023 Committee Sign-Ups
 - Nicki Brown: Committee sign ups for this year's committees were on the back table. The larger committees, Nicki has reached out to those leaders asking if they are still interested in chairing that committee. Thank you to those who quickly turned around. Now Nicki needs to figure out what is left over. We ask that every leader signs up for a committee. We give you grace at the beginning. May is the deadline, but Nicki asks that every leader signs up for a committee by March 1st. A list of available committees will be going out this week.
- Swine Species Chair Needed!
 - Keri: Spot has been available for several months. If you know of anyone who will be a fantastic species chair, let us know. Keri will make a phone call, she will make them bake goods, she will give them foot rubs, she will make them dinner, whatever we have to do, to get a swine species chair. Yes, it is a huge undertaking, but you don't have to do it alone. You have a team of people that will help you, including the executive board. We just need one person to head it up. We are hoping to get that position filled shortly.
 - Nicki: What happens if we don't get a swine species chair? If we don't get a swine species chair, it becomes the five executive board members on top of the responsibilities we have. The package that is being handed over to this person is something they can run with, it isn't rebuilding the wheel, they will have the materials they need for the organization part.

SPECIE CHAIR UPDATES:

- Lamb
 - Introduction of Shayna Conger
 - Contact info is on website
 - Registration is due March 6th
 - Working on Tagging and Shearing dates
 - Working on getting quotes from shearers
 - Breeder lists are up on the website
 - Call if you haven't been put on a breeders list
 - Lambs need to be born after January 1st of this year
 - May 1st Possession Date
 - 19 members registered
 - Workbees posted
 - Workshops
 - MSU 4 H Livestock Workshop for multiple species will be done in Lansing at MSU Campus on March 4th
 - Livestock Conference in Gaylord March 11th at the University Center, registration is due February 4th
- Rabbit/Cavy
 - Introduction of Lisa Ralph

- Possession Dates of Roasters and Fryers
 - Roaster project is 6 month project, they need to be born after February 6th and need to be in possession by a breeder that is outside yourself by April 10th
 - Fryer is a seventy day project. They need to be bred April 28th - 30th with a delivery of May 29th, which makes this as close to seventy days to fair.
- New Classes added to Premium Book for 4H
 - Costume Class for Rabbit and Cavy
 - Agility
 - Adult Showmanship
 - Class for Leaders and Parents
 - Poster Class for Rabbits and Cavies
 - Body Parts or feeding
- Showmanship Possession before May 30th
- Dairy Feeder
 - Introduction of Hannah Gaither
 - Registration is due March 6th
 - Possession is due March 1st
 - New Class given to the fair board
 - Dairy Feeder, 12 - 24 month
 - You can see the progression of a dairy feeder as they develop
 - Start thinking of where you are getting your calves, they need to be born after January 1st
 - Information on the farms will be updated on the webpage
 - Dairy Calves have to be 100% Dairy, no beef crosses
 - Phone number 231-492-7709
 - Phone number is hannah@fortyfivenorth.com
- Dog
 - Introduction of Gretchen Sauvage
 - Registrations due June 5th
 - Look at the website - Start project books
 - Education
 - State Dog Committee
 - February 25th
 - Mt. Pleasant
 - Registration begins Wednesday on the MSU 4 H Event Website
 - Cost is \$30.00
 - One day event
 - No dogs allowed
 - Weekend Dog Event in June
 - Bring your dog
 - More information to come
- Llama/Alpaca: Introduction of Kathy Easter
 - Registration is due May 1st
 - Worming Animals is important right now
 - Fresh Water Daily
 - Look forward to another great year!
- Junior Beef
 - Introduction of Amanda Wilkins
 - Registration due March 6th
 - 51 registrations as of now
 - Jr. Beef calves must be born after January 1st
 - Must be BEEF Breed, no crosses
 - Stay away from sale barns because 99.9% of the time it will be a cross

- List of farms on the website
- Possession Date is May 15th
- Record Book is currently being updated
 - Creating Showmanship Only Record Book
- Like the Beef Program NWMI Livestock Council on Facebook
 - Species chairs post a lot on their regarding shows and tip and tricks and terminology judges may use
- Contact info on website
- Horse
 - Introduction of Mandy DePuy
 - Horses are out in the pasture getting fat
 - Education season is upon us
 - Horse Judging Workshop and Mini Judging Contest - February 3-4
 - Grand Traverse County 4-H Horse and Pony Council Tack Sale! March 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at Creekside Community Church (Behind Best Buy)
 - Discount on tables for 4-Hers selling tack
 - Grand Traverse County 4-H Horse and Pony Council Boot Camp! May 13 - 14 at the fairgrounds
 - Reminder to update their Coggins and vaccination for the Rhino Flu
 - New Classes were added for fair this year to the premium book
 - Halter Classes
 - Equitation and Horsemanship Championship Classes
 - Registration is due May 6th
- Large Beef Species Chair
 - Introduction of Crystal Breithaupt
 - Registration due today
 - 97 registrations so far
 - Tagging phone calls will start this week and we will begin tagging this weekend, it will take us a few weeks to complete the tagging
 - Flexibility is appreciated as we plan out our routes
 - 209 days till fair
 - Have an idea what your animal weighs right now so you are able to do the math for your finish project
 - If you have any questions, reach out any time
 - Start record books now
- Poultry
 - Introduction of Gwyn Carter, the assistant to the poultry barn
 - All production pullets due in possession February 1st
 - Lots of information along with contact information can be done on the 4H Council Website
- Goat
 - Introduction of Robin Gildner
 - Reserve goats now, talk to breeders now
 - Born after November 1st no later than February, make sure you have a good feed program so it makes the minimum weight of 65 pounds
 - Education speaker for expo booked
 - Michigan Vet, small ruminants management
 - Will also speak about AI
 - Will be posting a clinic for LAP AI for Goats and Sheep in July
 - Added class to the premium book
 - Bred and Own Class
 - Policies and Procedures updated on the website
 - Disbudding is optional for market right now

- Minimum of 4 months of age
 - Goat Record books under review
 - Swine - Given by Keri Bancroft
 - Species Chair Needed, did we mention that?
 - Registration due February 6th
 - Available on the website
 - January - February born date
 - If not on a breeder list, get on a breeder list
 - Differently - Abled - No Report

Committee Updates

- January 19th for Auction Committee at Mulligans
 - Working on Poultry Rabbit processor
 - RRR and Ebels confirmed
- Workbees
 - Dates are out. On a website.
 - Work Bees from last fall.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2023 Animal Registrations - Keri
 - Dates on right hand side of the agenda
 - Google Forms on website shut off at midnight
 - Crystal Breithaupt: if you want to make sure you are registered or didn't receive the confirmation email, please text her, she is happy to double check the list for reassurance
 - Keri: e-mailed all leaders their list at the end of last week
 - Swine is due February 6th
 - March 6th dairy feeder, jr. beef, poultry, goats, and lamb
 - May 1st is horse, llama, and alpacas, rabbits and caviar
 - June 5th is dogs
 - If problems, please reach out
- Committee Updates
 - Auction Committee - Leslie
 - Meeting on January 19th at Mulligans for anyone who wants to be on the core committee for the auction
 - Would love the help!
 - Ebels and RRR are all set for fair, Lynn is working on poultry processing
- Education Expo March 5th - Great Wolf Lodge - Keri
 - Livestock board is working hard to get speaker line up done
 - All Day Event
 - 4 - 5 sessions throughout the day
 - Pizza and Pop
 - Online Sign Up
 - Working on to plan for room attendance
 - **Question from Heather Horn:**
 - **Is it two credits again?**
 - **Keri: Yes, it is two credits again and one must be specific to your market project.**

- **Nicki: Virtual has to be approved by species chair**
 - **Keri: anything MSU Extension throws out as education is pre approved**
 - **Teen Reps**
 - Ton of Teen Reps
 - Introductions and Species and what they show
 - Marin Barrett -Goats, Alpacas and Market Steer
 - Noah Send - Steer
 - Kelsey Bott - Swine
 - Holly Heuser - Llama, steer, and lamb
 - Ellie McKenzie - Steer
 - Collin Heuser - Lamb, Alpaca, and Rabbit
 - Dalrene Wilcoxon - Horse and Lamb

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tammy Nemska

- **If your 4-Her has not cashed their market check yet, please do.**
- **Kelly Stockfisch**
 - **Proposed budget needs to be changed to 4% commission from 5% commission**
 - (updated budget attached with these minutes)

Adjournment: Gretchen Sauvage, motion for the adjournment. Seconded by Shayna Conger

Time: 07:18 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 7, 2023 - 6:30pm – Livestock Council Meeting - Redeemer Lutheran Church

Last Name	First Name	4-H Club	4-H Role	
Ashley	Laurie	Radical Rabbits & More	4-H Leader	
Barely	Mark	Dusty Trails	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Barley	Chris	Dusty Trails	4-H Leader	
Barley	Mike	Dusty Trails	Fair Board Member	
Barrett	Marin	Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	4-H Member	
Baynton	Shannon	Carousel	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Bohrer	Jo Ann	Carousel Club	4-H Leader	
Bohrer	Rose	Carousel Club	4-H Leader	
bott	kelsey	rickety ranchers	4-H Member	
bott	susan	rickety ranchers	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Breithaupt	Crystal	Beef and Bacon	Species Chair	
Brown	Cher'rie	Lake Ann livestock	4-H Member	
Campbell	Dan	Kailedscope kids	4-H Leader	
Carter	Gwyn	Windy acres	4-H Leader	
Clark	Ayla	Long Lake 4H	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Conger	Shayna	4-h lamb barn	Species Chair	
Depuy	Mandy	Happy Hooves	Species Chair	
Dreves	Brian	Maple ridge	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
easter	athy	llama/alpaca specie chair	Species Chair	
Forton	Alisa	Excalibur Mazkaraders	4-H Leader	
Gaither	Hannah	Dairy Feeder Specie Chai	Species Chair	
Gildner	Robin	Living Livestock	4-H Leader	
Gill	Jason	Farm and fleece	4-H Leader	
Grant	Will	Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	4-H Member	
Grant	Garret	Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	4-H Member	
Grant	Tiny	Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	4-H Member	
Grant	Kenneth	Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	4-H Member	
Grant	Jeremy	Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Grant	Anne	Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Griffin	Vanja?	Leather N Laces	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Grose	Faith	Kaleidoscope kids	4-H Leader	
Grumley	Tucker	Kaleidoscope kids	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Hagelstein	Andrea	Barn Busters	4-H Member	
Heuser	Holly	Loan wolves	4-H Member	
Heuser	Colin	Line wolves	4-H Member	
Heuser	Heather	Lone Wolves	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Horn	Heathet	Green Acres 4-H Club	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Kraeft	Kelly	Happy hooves	4-H Leader	
Kraeft	Addison	Happy Hooves	4-H Member	
Littkopp	Allison	Happy Hooves	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	
Littlefield	Leslie	All Creatures Great and S	4-H Leader	
MacKenzie	Elliana	Pen pals	4-H Member	
Miller	Dannah	Small Town Farmers	4-H Leader	
moyer	diane	beef and bacon bunch	4-H Leader	
Nemeskal	Tammy	Green Acres	Council Officer	
Ralph	Lisa	Radical Rabbits	Species Chair	
Reinke	Michelle	Happy Hooves	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent	

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Robertson	Maylynn	Country Kids	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Robinson	David	Rickety Ranchers	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Robinson	Haven	Rickety ranchers	Council Officer
Sauvage	Gretchen	Nw classy k9's	4-H Leader
Schaub	Rebecca	Crazy Acres	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Seltz	Anne	Rickety Ranchers	4-H Leader
Send	Noah	Country Cousins	4-H Member
Shaffer	Rita? (Sorry we couldn't r	Windy acres	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Stockfisch	Randy	Northern Lights	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Stockfisch	Kelly	Northern Lights	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Swiney	Kathy	Cloverbud Chair	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Taghon	Elaine	Benzie Cowabongas	4-H Leader
Taghon	Zachary	Benzie Cowabongas	4-H Leader
Wares	Clifford	Windy acres	4-H Leader
Wares	Alyssa	Windy Acres and Living Li	4-H Member
Wares	Leanna	Windy Acres & Living Live	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Washburn	Gabrielle	Boots & Roots 4H	4-H Member Volunteer/Parent
Wilcoxon	Darlene	Excalibur Mazkaraders	4-H Member
Wilkins	Amanda	Northern Lights	4-H Leader
Yost	Jen	Green Acres	4-H Leader
Youker	Sarah	Maple Ridge	4-H Leader
Zientek	Pam	Proclites	4-H Leader
Zientek	Sami	Proclites	4-H Leader

Club	January
A Backyard Bunch	
All Creatures Great & Small	x
Barn Busters	x
Beef & Bacon Bunch	x
Benzie Cowabungas	x
Bitz & Gritz	
Boots & Roots	x
Caring Critters	
Carousel Club	x
Country Cousins	
Country Kids	x
Country Roots	
Crazy Acres	x
Dirty Boots & Country Roots	
Dogs R Us	
Dusty Trails	x
Excalibur Mazkaraders	x
Farm and Fleece	x
Forever Farmin'	
Frontier Quest	
Gotta Lluva Cool Critter	x
Green Acres	x
Happy Highlanders	x
Happy Hooves	x
Home Grown 4-H Club	
Kaleidoscope Kids	x
Lake Ann 4H Livestock Club	x
Leaders and Lopers	
Leather-N-Laces	x
Living Livestock	x
Lone Wolves	x
Long Lake 4H Livestock	x
Maple Ridge	x
Misty Meadows	
Northern Explorers	
Northern Lights	x
Northwest Classy K-9's	x
Pen Pals	x
Pony Pals 4-H	
Proclites - Co-leader	x
Radical Rabbit Raisers N More	x
Rickety Ranchers	x
Showtime	

