

Northwest Michigan Livestock Council

Minutes

June 7th, 2021 (In person and zoom)

- I.
- II. Call to Order @ 6:30p.m. (Pledges)
- III. Officers in attendance- Kayce Caugh, Keri Bancroft, Megan Town, Anna Fryer, Leslie Campbell
- IV. Members in Attendance-Laurie Ashley, Greg Bancroft, Kristina Belles, Rosie Belles, Crystal Breithaupt, Todd Brown, Leslie Campbell, Gwyn Carter, Lori Cedarquist, Mandy Depuy, Kathy Easter, Kim Franke, Maddie Gallagher, Jason Gill, Anne Grant, Lynn Henning, Renee Hobbins, Nichole Kelenske, Kolbusz, Kelly Kraeft, Leslie Littlefield, Jessie Milne, Diane Moyer, Ali Olson, Abigail Pyle, Sandra Pyle, Lisa Ralph, Michelle Reinke, MaryLynn Robertson, Dave Robinson, Gretchen Sauvage, Rosie Shaffer, Christine Snow, Beth Stephens, Kelly Stockfisch, Elaine Taghon, Miranda Thompson, Amanda Wilkins, Mary Ann Wilsey, Alison Wittkopp, Carolyne Woodhams, Andrea Taghon, William Grant, Jeremy Grant, Kenneth Grant, Kristina Keyser, Lily Keyser, Jayden Keyser, Cassidy Snow, Isaac Snow, Jackie Richer, Laurel Meyer, Devon Bruner, Heather Rosa
- V. Teen Reps
 - a. Rachel Raniszewski- Absent
- VI. MSU Staff
 - a. Rosali Collier
 - b. Suzy White
- VII. Additions to Agenda
- VIII. Approval of April 2021 Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve Gretchen Sauvage, Kelly Stockfisch seconded. Minutes Approved.
- IX. Treasurers Report
 - a. Leslie Gave report attached to emails/minutes
 - b. No new checks this month, income from tagging
 - i. Swine \$580
 - ii. Lamb \$50
 - iii. Goat \$20
- X. Fair Board News
 - a. Carolyne Woodhams- Fair board meeting 6/10 @ 7pm-pavilion
 - i. Premium books are available
 1. Deadlines are the same
 - a. July 13th animals must be registered
 - b. Non animals July 20th
 - c. Animals come in the 7th
 - ii. Breanna Hall is the new secretary
 - iii. Tamara is looking for help with gates
 - iv. Information tent needs volunteers

XI. 4-H/MSU SpotLight

Announcements:

1. Return to face-to-face activities: Please visit the website that has been shared; it's linked on the Livestock Council website. Volunteers can request activities and then must be in charge of keeping our families safe by abiding by the MSU Community Compact, which is subject to change. So again, check the website: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/outreach/about/approved-activities>
2. Tanner Building and Cloverbud Activities during Fair Week
 - a. Club Booths
 - i. Clubs are encouraged to develop and display club booths that promote "Education and Outreach." Booths will compete for certificates such as most creative, most organized, etc. and the overall winner will win a Little Caesars Pizza gift card for their 4-H club.
 - b. The 4-H Clover Award is back again! This award is open to youth ages 10-19 in Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Kalkaska, Benzie and Antrim counties. Written applications are due by Wednesday, August 4th, and interviews for finalists will take place Monday, August 9th, during fair in the Tanner Building. The winner will be recognized with a \$100 VISA card and a ribbon! The fillable PDF form will be available on the Livestock Council website tomorrow, and we will send the form out to all of you through email. Paper copies will be shared at our next June meeting.
 - c. Judged Projects may be submitted and will be displayed as individual 4-H projects in an area of the Tanner Building. These projects can be entered in any project area outlined in the Northwestern Michigan Fair Premium book 4-H Still Exhibit section. Entries will be awarded judged feedback and certificates.
 - d. Cloverbud activities will be offered throughout the week, and will be held in or just outside the Tanner Building. These activities will be handed out in bags (for any youth who comes for them) this year, but we will still have designated giveaway times and need 4-H clubs to help teach youth how to make their projects. More information will be coming, especially regarding the Cloverbud Games day.
3. County Offices are **open!**
 - a. We 4-H staff are still primarily working remotely, but this a great place to stop by for copies, drop off forms or other information for us, pick up curriculum to share, etc.
 - b. Hours are: Benzie: Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Grand Traverse: Monday through Friday, from 8:00 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm (closed for lunch); Leelanau: Monday through Friday, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
4. Record Books and Record Book Tips
 - a. We have the record books from Farm Bureau here, and we also have the How to Create a Spectacular Record Book tip sheets, created by Gotta Lluva Cool Critter a couple of years ago. Please pick up a booklet to help you with your record books for this year.

XII. Old Business

- a. Specie Chair Openings
 - i. Crystal Breithaupt is appointed as Large Beef Specie Chair until October
 - ii. Lamb Specie Chair- is still open
- b. 2020 Record Books
 - i. Pick up at GT County 4h Extension after tonight
 - ii. Checks from farm bureau tonight

- c. Education Due: June 30th
- XIII. Species Chair Updates
 - a. Horse
 - i. 67 horses
 - 1. 12 cloverbud
 - 2. 2 Seniors
 - ii. Please don't forget to email or text education
 - iii. Record Books are new this year
 - 1. Cloverbud
 - 2. 8-12 years
 - 3. 13-19 years
 - iv. Get Vaccines, Coggins to transport, Rhino Flu
 - v. Fundraiser Opportunities
 - 1. Cleaning stalls end of June and end of July
 - 2. Contact via email or Facebook horse program for more info.
 - b. Dairy Feeder
 - i. Tagging is done on Dairy Feeder
 - ii. Dehorn and Castration ASAP
 - iii. Plenty of Water, Air Flow
 - c. Junior Beef
 - i. 58 Market, 19 Cloverbud, 8 show only, 2 seniors
 - ii. Keep Cool
 - iii. Sign up by July 13th for Open Shows
 - iv. Starting Reaching our for tagging times
 - v. Vaccines are done
 - vi. RFID Tags must be in the ear before unloading at fair
 - d. Steer
 - i. 68 Steers
 - ii. June 19th Hoof Trimming
 - 1. \$25
 - iii. Don't forget education opportunities
 - e. Swine
 - i. 127 Market, 21 Cloverbud, 10 seniors, 2 differently abled
 - ii. 7/19 for pen set up- waiting for approval
 - iii. Please use swine barn email for questions, education, and for any other communications
 - iv. Country kids, Two by Two, Beef and Bacon Bunch, Boots and Roots
 - v. Seniors and Parents Jessie Milne is in charge of this
 - vi. Education has been updated for Swine-Please resend if you have not seen it on the list.
 - f. Lamb
 - i. Cool Fresh Water Daily
 - ii. All is tagged
 - iii. Working on finding a specie chair

- g. Rabbit/Cavy
 - i. Tagging and Showmanship clinic waiting on approval
 - ii. Will do cleaning very soon
 - iii. Add sunflower or oatmeal to help with eating
 - iv. Arbor show on 7/10 here at Fairgrounds
 - h. Poultry
 - i. Please check email frequently
 - ii. Meat birds should be in possession this week
 - 1. If anything is DOA contact hatchery for credit or replacement (ASAP)
 - iii. Keep Fresh Water
 - iv. Education on livestock council website
 - v. Record book and showmanship on website
 - i. Llama/Alpaca
 - i. Clinic approved June 23rd 6-8pm –Thompsonville
 - ii. Take care in the heat (water, shade)
 - iii. Worm your animals
 - iv. 21 registered, 1 Differently Abled
 - v. Blood Drive during fair week (Tuesday at fair 11-3 and Fri behind jr beef 9-6)
 - j. Goat
 - i. Beth requesting to hold 2 clinics
 - 1. Parasites, etc.
 - 2. Hoof Trimming, hands on experience, etc.
 - ii. Vaccine updates should be happening now
 - iii. Fresh Water Daily
 - k. Dog
 - i. Registrations are due tonight
 - ii. 14 Registered
 - 1. 4 cloverbuds
 - 2. 1 senior
 - iii. Entire Dog show on Sunday
 - 1. Possible Farm Dog Cert
 - iv. Dogs R Us June 29
 - 1. Basic dog care class- approved 6-7 @ 704 Weatherwoods Lake Ann, MI
 - l. Differently Abled
 - i. 18 youth (double than previous years!)
 - ii. Leaders and parents please provide accommodations needed
- XIV. Committee Reports
- a. Committee Changes to discuss
 - i. Auction refreshments
 - 1. Coffee and Donuts in Morning and Cold Water
 - 2. Clubs please still donate water after we find out greenstone donations
 - ii. Barn Awards
 - 1. Discontinuing committee – awards will be given by each species chair
 - iii. Round Robin

1. New committee- Have done a lot of research
 2. Concerns
 - a. Lori Cedarquist- Concerns of taking more away from seniors, would like to keep it.
 3. Will regroup with council board and provide feedback
- b. Committees
- i. All clubs must serve on a committee
 1. Still have a lot of spots to fill
 2. Please contact Keri Bancroft
 - ii. Auction
 - iii. Buyers Luncheon
 1. Laurie Ashley- Just got approval. Dawns Fresh/Ebels will be catering. Plans are in place to accommodate social distancing/masking. More updates at the next meeting
 - iv. Can Drive- Heather Rosa
 - v. Celebration of Champions- Will be revamped
 - vi. Cherry Festival Parade- Will Pass this year
 - vii. Fair Set ups/Tear Downs- Keri will be in touch with those involved
 - viii. Fair Week Activities- Will be on the schedule soon
 - ix. Fun Saturday- Heather Rosa
 - x. 4H Dance-Dave Robinson- DJ on standby, pop ordered, working on snacks
 - xi. Pizza Party- Renee is onboard, waiting on restrictions
 - xii. Workbees- Amanda Wilkins- Watch email for tools to bring
 - xiii. Photography-
- c. Sandi Pyle
- i. Would like to have a central information center (“information station”) Tanner Building
 1. Specie Schedules
 2. Emergency contact info
 3. Animal information
 4. Information about children’s responsibilities/expectations
 5. Information about auction donations back
 6. Fair/Grandstand information
- XV. New Business
- a. Fair Week Schedule-DRAFT ONLY
 - i. Shows are set
 - b. Fundraiser Opportunities
 - i. Anna Bays Horse Show- Cindy Gerou: 231-218-8757
 - ii. Fair Week Gates- Tammara Sanchez: 231-668-1912
 - iii. Horse Pull- Sunday Night
 - iv. Rodeo- 25 Adults
 - c. In-Person Events/Fair Week
 - i. What we know today
 1. Cleared for outdoor activities- No Capacity Limitations

2. Outdoor No Masks
 3. Indoor Activities Still Limited
 4. Will let families/leaders/kids know what indoor barns looks like
 - a. Working with Health Department
 - b. May still be under SOME restrictions for fair
 - ii. What we expect/What are we preparing for
 1. Any restrictions will be in place given by GT Health Dept and MSU
 2. Meetings are now in person
- XVI. Questions
- a. Would like more work bees- The grounds are being a bit neglected and with new work we will need more help to get grounds put back together.
 - i. Will be hoping to add more workbees
- XVII. Adjourn
- a. Meeting motioned to adjourn by Lisa Ralph, and Kelly Stockfisch seconded it. Adjourned at 7:41pm