A livestock committee committee was held on May 31st at Carney Conference Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by chair Carleena Quinn. In attendance were Jessica Stroh, Ryan Thorson, Stephanie Meek, Chris Undem and Desiree Hoffer.

Unfinished Business

Unfinished business was discussed. Carleena said Donnie Ferring from Beach has agreed to be our fair judge. He will do a showmanship clinic on June 26 at 2 pm at the fairgrounds.

Round robin judges were discussed. Two interns at Ag-Pro may be an option for goats. Reece Idland has not committed to doing beef. Kelsey Crawford has agreed to do sheep and Beau Gibbs swine. Melanie Oliver has not gotten back to anyone regarding judging dairy. There was discussion on why/how the round robin is set up the way it is as it needs so many judges.

The fair flyer was discussed. It was suggested to not list kids’ names on the flyer as some animals may not make weight. Discussion of pros/cons of listing buyers names on flyer. Chris made a motion to vote by email of the final draft. Stephanie seconded motion. Motion passed.

Next item was the buyers’ table. Marnie is working on this with US Bank.

Weigh-in will be held June 1st from 4-6 pm for goats, lambs, hogs for those who want to participate in rate of gain.

New Business

Market Goats were first item of new business. There is a new class of goats this year so we will need awards for this category. There was discussion on if market and dairy goats should be in the same showmanship class and included in the round robin. The general consensus was they need to be in their own class as they are shown differently. Jessica made a motion to find a round robin judge for market goats. Chris seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The next item of business was bringing bulls to the fair. A 4-Her would like to bring a bull to exhibit and keep in an outside horse pen. A suggestion was made to start with the bull project first when doing the breeding projects. Chris made a motion to accept having a bull exhibited and show before all other cattle breeding classes. Ryan seconded and motion passed.

There was also a question on allowing a free martin in the market class. This has been handled on a case by case basis and will continue to be handled that way.

The next meeting will be held after the DC fair.