

Outdoor Meeting July 6, 2015

Present:

Karyn Hamilton, Dennis Deaton, Sydney Deaton, Marilyn deMontingy, Jeff Patton, Teresa Brewer, Taton Brewer, Keegan Brewer, Dave Garner, Martha Garner, Shane Tamcke, Kimberly Lowery, Val Williams, Karen Bratlien, Katie Grady-Shelby, Vanessa Olson and Cage Johnson

The Outdoor Committee meeting was called to order by Dennis Deaton, chair, at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room.

The June 6, 2015, meeting minutes were reviewed. Shane Tamcke made a motion to approve and Jeff Patton seconded and it carried.

Superintendent Reports

- **Beef** – Shane Tamcke inquired about another weigh-in date and Dennis asked that Shane go ahead and put it together. Shane announced that Jim Forseth will be the Round Robin judge and will turn in the contract shortly.
- **Dairy** – Marilyn DeMontingy reported the project meet at her house at 6 pm for grooming, clipping and barn safety.
- **Dog** – Karen Bratlien reported the handlers have been meeting twice a week for obedience and showmanship as well as agility to get ready for fair. Dennis noted he put in a post order for 100 posts for dog and other projects. Please make sure that we are taking out the posts with a post puller. Karen noted that dog agility should be completed by noon to 1 PM on the show date. The arena must come down after agility this year and will be stacked next to the BHB.
- **Goat** – Karyn Hamilton reported she has 32 goats and needs more room for the goats. Jeff Patton noted he need more room for sheep. Dennis reported dairy, goat, and sheep may need a meeting after the Outdoor meeting to discuss. Karyn needs a biosecurity stall and the goats cannot be nose to nose. Dave Gardner indicated the sale/show area can be moved down. Karyn needs 6 more spots that includes 2 open spots. Karyn reported Mary Meyers was working on the Round Robin judge for goat.
- **Herdsmanship** – Kate Grady-Selby noted they have all of the prizes to give out and working on judges. The board is finished and needs to be hung.
- **Horse** – Vanessa Olson noted the next horse meeting will be Wednesday 5:30 PM at the BHB. Need volunteers to help with fair.
- **Extension Report** – Janet reported everyone is good. Dave confirmed weight for sale scale are good.
- **Poultry** – Val Williams put a You Tube video together for washing and dusting birds prior to fair. Janet reported to search on You Tube for Lewis and Clark County Washing Your Bird. Segment includes biosecurity, washing and dusting. Pens are down in count and will be setting up one entry for biosecurity with hand sanitation with no cross contamination of feed, water, electrolytes, handling, etc. Ground pens will include turkeys for market, but no market poultry. Grand Champion and Reserve Market Poultry there are no senior and junior for this category. Disinfectant will be bleach and water. Dennis requested that Val get bleach and weed sprayers

up to a total of \$50 if needed for biosecurity. Shavings will be bagged shaving. Val will follow up with the Extension Office for the Round Robin judge.

- **Rabbit** – Dundee was not available to attend the meeting.
- **Round Robin** – Dennis Deaton noted he is the current acting superintendent for the event. He will need assistance from the junior superintendents to assist with the event. Adult Round Robin has not heard from any of the clubs for participation to show Beef, Sheep and Hog. Thursday night we will need to clear out some of the shavings in the sale arena and prep the arena for the goat show. Dennis announced the livestock judge unfortunately had to cancel and Mary has found another judge. However, the judge cannot be here until Thursday and the revised schedule has been put out to the clubs and posted on the website.
- **Sale** – Dave Gardner had a few questions regarding the bleaches and the school district will need to be contracted with for the bleachers. Swamp coolers will be coming in which we have two and possibly a third. We are not changing anything on the resale/rebid policy. Sound system was checked by the fairground and said it worked fine. Will check at fair set up on Sunday again to ensure sound system. Val asked for the traveling PA system for Poultry and Rabbit. Martha has ordered pens and they are on their way.
- **Sheep** – Jeff Patton reported he needed more pens.
- **Swine** – Dave Hamilton reported swine is down this year via Dennis Deaton.
- **Barn Security** – Dennis Deaton noted that Duane will be at fair on Wednesday.

New Business

Late Fair Entry – Dennis Deaton updated the committee on the late fair entries. He gave the history of the late fair entry. Mary did deal with those late fair entries and they will be coming with to the fair. Janet noted that the Extension Office does not want to turn anyone away. The late fees will be increased from the \$50 that was set from Council and the late member will be doing community service as part of their coming to the fair. Dennis recommended calling those members who signed up for a project that did not turn in their fair forms. Late individuals will not be available for Grand or Reserve. We cannot hold their premium checks.

Foundation Meeting – Dennis reported due in part of changing the judges, we needed to pay for air fare and will go to the Foundation meeting for a donation to help. Extension (Brent and Mary) donated \$250 and Foundation donated \$250 for a total of the \$500 airfare to get the judge here. One item that came up was the resale/rebid option at sale. The rebid speech for a Foundation fundraiser opportunity would be good. One problem is that the animal is added back into the sale and paperwork is difficult at times. Foundation was okay that the animal is not sold multiple times. Martha's concern was the buyer recognition for the multiple sales. Foundation's next meeting is August 20th and a BBQ. Please plan on attending as they would like to have all of us attend.

Barn Security – Dennis reported barn security is contracted from Tuesday through Friday. Clubs will still need to sign up for barn chores. The barn will be closed at 11 PM and opened at 5 AM. Watering of the isle will need to be at 5 AM. Educational displays is still going in the BHB. The displays last year shown in barn fell apart. This year we would like to have in the BHB to be displayed. This year we will have 95 educational displays and we would like to display everyone's in one spot so that our buyers at the buyer's lunch be able to view them. Teresa

voiced her concern of the building being open to the public and not being attended by 4-H members. Dennis recommended the bathrooms be locked to the public. Karyn thought it would be a nice gesture to the community to have the building open to public and a place for shade.

Jr. Superintendents – Dennis reported in years past we've had a scheduled weigh-ins. This year all of the animals are weighed at different times. If you're not showing dog, we will need juniors to help push pigs to the scale. Shane asked about return aisle for swine in regard to Beef weigh-ins.

Round Robin – Dennis expected superintendents will need to help with the event. We will need to place through 6th place and members need to decide if they are showing Robin Robin within an hour of their Grand or Reserve in their Showmanship Classes. Shane asked if it was an option to change our steers during the event as last year the steers were tired and did not want to move for those later in the event.

Announcers – Sydney Deaton announced Jessica Hamilton and Ashlyn Deaton will announce and ring steward those members in the arena and their projects. Karyn noted that Goat had its own program. Dennis asked that a few moments be taken for members and photos. Tabulation of High Points will be tabulated by us, the Superintendents. Jessica and Ashlyn can assist with tabulation of the projects, but Superintendents need to double check. Horse is independent of this outdoor committee that have 6 awards for 3 divisions. There is no Novice for Horse. Dennis asks that Superintendent's need to come and review the records. Saturday night the Fair Board is promoting 4-H and Mary would like to announce the members; however, it has been noted that not everyone will be announced and tickets will not be given out. Dave Gardner asked that kids come to the arena and get the scholarship information to the auctioneer for announcing. Some folks that gave scholarships thought that more recognition could be given for those offering the scholarship. Scholarships, awards and seniors will be announced prior to the beginning of the sale. Scholarship are announced with the giver getting recognition for their donation to the program. Teresa inquired about a screen shot to announce the award winners; however, the sale program does not allow for that feature. A presentation can be displayed during the award announcement prior to the sale beginning.

Barn Set-Up – Dennis reported we are starting at 7 AM Sunday morning with bleacher placement first. Kids to be here at 10 AM. Pig kids at Noon. This year we will be assisting the Indoor set-up once we have finished the barn set-up. Do not send kids home until Indoor and Beef have been set-up. Kids showing dog are exempt from Sunday morning set-up. It is your job to police your kids for set-up and be sure to speak with them about participation at setup and throughout the week. We don't want to fine the kids so let's be proactive to get their participation. Dennis has no issue with kids that have said goodbye to the animals and/or parents help load the kids' animals. Please don't force the kids to load their animals. No kids will be allowed to load their steers or in the trucks or hanging on the sides of the truck. Junior Superintendents are not allowed in the trucks as well. Junior's can lead to the bottom then turn over to an adult.

Old Business

Op manual – Karen Bratlien gave a quick up and noted the link is not working. Janet will look into.

Adult Round Robin – Dennis noted he would like to see adult participation. We really should look at reworking the schedule to include showmanship on one day and market animals on another to get the best results from your animal. These kids are working really hard on their animals and it would be nice to have the more than one day to show.

Painting of Panels – Cage Johnson is still working on the painting of the panels. Cage reported on his conversation with Scott Stoner for pricing of paint in which included a generous donation. Sydney asked if we could hang a banner to show appreciation for Scott Stoner & Sherwin Williams as well as an announcement for the donation. Teresa asked about signage for High Point Award sponsors and Sydney will follow up.

Pig Weight – Minimum is 210 lbs.

Other Business

Next meeting will be the annual BBQ for August 24th at 5:30 PM at the Deaton's. The Deaton's will do hamburgers and ask for sides and other items for the potluck.

Dairy and milking machine display will need to be plugged into 110 volts. A lot would depend on when the dairy show ends and space constraints. We will shoot for the arena, but will need to be played by ear. Dennis will assist with staging the beef kids. Arena help for the beef showing would be appreciated with prior beef ring experience. Parade of Beef has moved to Wednesday at 5 PM.

Teresa reported on their club float for the East Helena and Helena parade that has just 4-H on it. All 4-H kids are welcome to ride and be in the parade. There is no throwing candy from the float.

Jeff Patton made motion to adjourn. Karyn Hamilton seconded.