

MISD Livestock Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2024

.Call to order

Mr. Hutch called to order the regular meeting of the MISD Livestock Committee at 6:32 PM on October 2, 2024.

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Ms. Territo read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read. Mr. Ward read the Treasurer's Report. The current balance was \$60,061.38

III. Old business

Show Debrief

a. Committee Jobs

- Some of the ear tags were duplicated; It was not on the paperwork that was checked in with the animals. We need to make sure to double check the list made for the show.
- Someone needs to call judges a week prior to the show and remind them they are judging for us.
- Add on table throughout the show? We had community members asking if they could pay an add-on during the show. Need to figure out if we can have a booster club member help run this table during the show. 30 minutes after the show ends. This would start with the floral show (every exhibitor).
- We need experienced ag teachers or dads working boards during the hog show.
- There were no signs posted about no water or feed signs.
- Signs for road need better support (they were blowing away) sandwich boards
- Need more Safety Pins
- Ask the district for equipment (tractors, forklifts) Dr. Campbell asked about this.
- Waters for auction buyers (kids that are handing out water need to be conscious of someone bidding)
- Make sure sweetheart is aware of how to help in the show beforehand.
- New rules posted at show/signed rule books (need to create signs to put up new rules)

b. Show & Barn Arrangement/Need

- Possibly moving the new green shade cloth and placing it on the end of the barn. It is preventing air flow.
- Dr. Campbell is planning on asking them to move fans from the sides to the center in that new back section for the hogs.

- Leveling concrete in the hog area? it isn't functioning properly because of how the pens are sitting.
- new barn building for storage because we are running out of room in the barn we have now. If we get a quote or proposal for a building it has to go through a facility manager with an engineer. (Depends on where we put it and what the proposal says) It was moved and seconded that we create a subcommittee for this issue. The people on this committee will have Christy Capps, Jim Ward, and David Crabb.
- It was moved and seconded that we order 10 pig boards for next year. Maddy is going to order these either through amazon or Nasco.
- Permanently mounting the backdrop frame. It needs to be painted and sealed and then put back up with a cable. It needs to be lowered by one foot for show next year. Mr. Crabb thinks it will be about \$500 max. Dr. Campbell made a motion that was moved and seconded that we permanently mount the backdrop with a budget up to \$500.
- Hutch is ordering 15 turkey pens.
- Using an extra bluetooth speaker during the pig show. Capps was told by the sound guy that we can turn one of our adequate speakers towards the pig pens.
- We need to buy lamb and goat pens. Butler moved and seconded that we create a committee to look and purchase new lamb and goat pens. Those appointed people are Waits, Cooper, and Grimm.
- There were issues with sheep and goat scales. There are weights for the pig scale that need to be tested and calibrated beforehand. We need to do this for lambs and goats as well. It was said that we need new cattle scales. It was moved and seconded that we make a committee to order cattle scales that include Mr. Butler, Mr. Lawrence, and Mr. Crabb.
- For shavings we are going to go up to 1 ½ bulk load for show. Mr. Hutch is on this.
- The Lamb and Goat area was overflowing with tack. Is it possible that we only have certain trim racks that are allowed to be used during the show to help designate an area. This is going to be tabled for a later date.
- Port-O-Cools it cost \$900 for the entire weekend. They come and take them again. It was moved and seconded that we rent 2 Port-O-Cools for next year.
- The Videographer for livestream will be moved for next year.
- consider arranging rabbits differently. Flip the U towards the bleachers.

c. Rules

i. Animals

- Double tagging for majors - major show tags; needs to be a rule stating that. Need to make our show terminal? We are not making it a terminal show.
- Consistency of wording for grand and reserve for processing through each market species in rules book
- Sheep and goats need to be clipped at the time of check-in. If not they will be turned away.

d. Concession Stand

- Concession stand closed before teachers were able to eat a few times. Maybe we go back to the hospitality room and have meals there for when the teachers have time to eat. We might be doing a hospitality room and do it separately from the concession stand people. (to split duties)
 - Concession walkway. Mud hole created from the wash rack.
- e. Show Times
- Rearrange show: check in Thursday morning and show rabbits and poultry Thursday afternoon; Friday morning show pigs, sheep, goats, and cattle; Saturday, Auction at Noon?
 - Returning to an 8 AM Hog Show or keeping it PM? There were a lot of people excited that they were able to come to the hog show since it was later in the day. It was moved and seconded with 11 votes for keeping the hog show at 5 pm on that Friday of show weekend.
 - Give Goats a start time, so they have a time they know they need to be ready by. It was moved and seconded that we give goats a start time for show at 1:30 pm. It was moved and seconded that this is tabled for the next meeting.
- f. Buyer Bags
- Dr. Campbell said that we need to order the clipboards
- g. Buyers Dinner
- It was moved and seconded that Boudreaux is able to order more tablecloths and table runners for the cafeteria.
 - We need to make sure that we ask for water or we provide it for our buyers dinner. Whether that be the caterer or us.
 - Be prepared for more people.
 - Buyers dinner closer to auction? (Buyers complained about walking so far) Mr. Bass is going to talk to Lacey's golf carts to see if they can donate carts for this night. Has to be a committee member driving these carts and only used for auction.
- h. Post Sale
- It was moved and seconded that we open Post Sale at the same time buyers dinner ends.
 - If you are on the committee you need to get in line when it starts. If there is a list of students bringing their own buyers they should be allowed to line up their own sale for their animals. Can we produce a sponsor form where kids can fill it out for their buyer ahead of time that they will buy it. "In the event you are not on auction, I will buy your pig off of the post sale". (pre-sale form) It was moved and seconded that we do a pre-sale form. It was moved and seconded that we make a post/pre-sale committee to bring info to next meeting. The people on this committee are Cooper, Waddle, and Capps.
- i. Auction
- List of buckle sponsors on printed paper for auction block
 - Set auction chairs with 3 sets of chairs (left, center, and right)
 - We need full page paddle papers for live auction.

- If possible, procuring 2 lamb/goat pens during sale that magnolia support group keep their projects in?
- Hang the Texas flag on the outer posts of the auction block. It was moved and seconded that we purchase a new flag and pole.
- It is in the rules that grand and reserve buyers know they don't get the animal back alive.

j. Other

- We put cattle poop in the dumpster. We need more wheel barrels and a ramp to get into the dumpster.
- Leave the facility set up year to year? The barn does not belong to Magnolia FFA. We utilize the concrete for all of their animals. Mr. Lawrence is going to spray paint the layout and make it dummy proof for when we show up year after year.
- Why do checks get held till January? Checks are cut after ensuring that all sale money has been received by buyers.

.New business

- a. Thank you card list update (hand out to students on 10/14; due 10/18)
- Tiffany is working on it at the moment. It will be sent out by 10/14 to ag teachers.
 - Shana McCarn is going to help pass out thank you lists to 4-H members.

b. Steer Bids:

- Bid 1:
 - **Ronnie Melton**
 - **price per head \$2,350.00**
 - **Maine Anjou & Charolais-sired calves**
- Bid 2:
 - Scales Cattle
 - price per head \$2,500.00
 - Exotic Crosses
- Bid 3:
 - Gordorsky
 - price per head \$2,500.00
 - American Crosses
- Bid 4:
 - Walker
 - price per head \$2,750
 - Exotic Crosses

* It was moved and seconded that we use these breeders in the following order to make sure they can fill our order: Bid #1 (first), Bid #2 (second), Bid #3 (third), and Bid #4 (fourth)

- c. Steer Entry and Steer Selection
- Due date for Entry: November 14th, 2024

- Steer selection date: Usually set for what breeder can fill. December 8th (Sunday) would be the best day for the breeder to bring the calves and start selection at 2 pm.
- d. Look through the rules for next month as those will be revised
- e. Bring breeders and judges to next month's meeting
- f. Next Show date is September 17th - 21st, 2025
- g. Sheep and goat selection May 17, 2025
- h. Hog selection is May 18, 2025

Adjournment

Mr. Hutch adjourned the meeting at 8:53 pm.

***Next meeting: November 6, 2024 at 5:30pm at Magnolia West High School**