

MEETING MINUTES
JUNIOR LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE
Tuesday, February 9, 2010 7p.m.
AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT
ELK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL
9800 ELK GROVE-FLORIN ROAD
ELK GROVE, CA

1. CALL TO ORDER.
 - a. At 7:10 p.m. by Mike Albiani
 - b. Attending: Mike Albiani, Jay Carlson, Karen Hein, Alan Ladwig, Jim Looper, Brady Otto, Matt Patton, TJ Plew, Amy Spithorst, Mark Stretars, Charles VanRiper, Jim Vietheer, Andy Anderson, Laurie Kaspar, Hugh Mooney, Izzy Zallo and Andrea Adams.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – 12/15/09
 - a. Matt Patton moved to approve as written, 2nd by Mark Stretars.
Passed as written.

3. FROM THE FAIR OFFICE (TJ)
 - a. John Gray will not be running the auction this year. Garrett Pedretti is available and has experience and the cost would not exceed what was paid for John. No objections to Garrett from committee members.
 - b. Scholarship application deadline is May 7, 2010. The essay question was discussed and will be changed this year. TJ thought maybe a quick meeting before the JLA meeting if needed.
 - c. Profit and Loss for December 2009 was presented; no budget as of yet. The estimated budget should not go up, if anything could be less since JLA helped last year on the personnel costs.
 - d. Breeding Swine. Exhibitors can bring their breeding swine for display as there will be no show class this year. Call TJ if there are questions.
 - i. Future consideration may need to open up to a crossbreed show.
 - e. JLA Buyer gifts – TJ would like to know if hats are okay and if there are any preferences.
 - f. By-Law Changes are complete.
 - g. The Lion's Foundation has again provided the \$1,500 grant for Belt Buckles.
 - i. Poultry may have a different award.
 - h. The list of Judges should be available on the website and should be "live". Still missing a rabbit and dairy judge.
 - i. This year's website should have a listing of updates and information.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- Follow up on the use of a flat screen TV with computer for Sale information – seeking individual(s) to research/recommend.
 - At this time no issue as there is any interest. Nevada County Fair uses 1 in each ring which could help audience with questions. Currently, Nevada County Fair uses the same program that Sacramento County Fair uses; but may have a different software program for this application.
 - Jim Looper suggested a projector perhaps on the wall but lighting would be a challenge as well as the display/operation.
 - TJ has a contact (Robin Haulk) at Nevada County Fair and TJ will e-mail the contact information to Mike Albiani.

5. Committees for 2010

- a. Lunch – Mark
 - i. Per Mike, EGHS boosters are glad to do it again.
- b. Auction ring set up – Jim V.
- c. Auction slapping/marking – Brady & Matt
 - i. TJ has the information and will order from QC Supply for 1 inch slapper numbers.
- d. Harvesting Facility, Trucking & Load Out – Karen V. & Eunita
- e. Pictures & Placard assembly – Karen H.
 - i. Karen H. starting to take the pictures to be printed on the placards like last year.
- f. Printing of Placards/Sale Catalog – Matt (auction numbers)
- g. Scholarship Committee – Jim V. & Board
 - i. Handled.
- h. Runners – Jim Looper
 - i. No change; will handle like last year, as long as everyone was okay with that.
- i. Ring People – Charles & Charlotte
 - i. Good to go.
- j. Public Outreach – Charles & TJ
 - i. TJ was headed back to Delta High this Friday (2/12/10)
 - ii. Street Team concept; various chapters to pass out fliers to groups and business.
 - iii. Next JLA meeting may have a couple of Delta youth to present idea.
 - iv. Long Term planning (2011) – idea of hosting a parade.
 - v. Utilize the *Delta Explorer* to have an article for the Sacramento County Fair. TJ to check with other local papers to print free articles (including the *Sacramento Bee*).
- k. Master Showmanship – Eunita, Jay, Laurie, Jim V. Brady, Charles and Lauren (for small animals).
 - i. Possibly a new person; TJ to try and nail her down; her name is Stacy.

- ii. Possible meeting before the 3/9/10 meeting to go over the information.
- iii. Use of impartial judges was very good (from various colleges with some pay plus a meal voucher).
- iv. Suggestion (Hugh) was to have the scoring place each group in order; i.e. if there are 7 competitors, place 1 through 7 and if 8 place them 1 – 8 etc.

6. NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS AS PRESENTED

- a. TJ will give away a couple of awards at the Auction, one (1) which would be to an individual who volunteers time at the fair. This presentation would be given prior to the Sale of Champions.
- b. There are currently two (2) positions on the Board available. These can be filled with people outside the Ag Community with experience in Finance or marketing or Foundations or Fund Raising. Currently only have 6 Board members which are appointed by the Governor.
- c. Crystal will sponsor the ice cream party again this year.
- d. VPS (the propane place on Twin Cities Road) is sponsoring a fund raising event on Saturday, February 13, 2010. It will be a BBQ at Tractor Supply and donations accepted. The funds raised will be used to purchase animals at the 2010 Sacramento County Fair.

7. SET NEXT MEETING DATE

- a. Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 7 p.m. EGHS

8. ADJOURN

- a. 7:50 p.m.