

**4-H LIVESTOCK LEADERS MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm by President Bruce Modreske. Bruce lead the pledges and ground rules.

SECRETARIES REPORT: There were 21 clubs present. A motion was made by Peg Berens and supported by Randy Petroskus to approve the August meeting as written. Motion passed. There were 3 thank you cards read.

TREASURERS REPORT: a motion was made by Karrie Williams and supported by Kendra VanOrder to pay Tracy DeWeerd for the pictures she took at the fair. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SWINE, SHEEP AND GOAT CARCASS: There were 19 hogs in this year's contest. Plan on all three shows again next year

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Randy Petroskus and supported by Todd Brink to send a thank you to the truckers that send us a bill for transporting the animals from the fair to their destination. And for the rest of the truckers and auctioneers to send them gift cards and the left-over cups (first to truckers) and leave the payment the same as 2018 Motion passed

Most buyers have paid. Reminders will be going out to those who have not paid.

This is the year for Fairbook changes. Species will meet at the following times to figure out if anything needs to be changed.

Dairy Tuesday November 5th at 7pm (Goats November 5th at 6pm), Spartan Room

Beef, Sheep and swine October 23rd at 6:30pm, Spartan Room

Rabbits and poultry October 28th at 6:30pm at the Allegan library meeting room

Livestock Leaders meeting date for the 2020 4-H year

Annual meeting Nov.2, Nov.12, Officers meet Dec. 10, Jan 14 or Feb 11, March 10, April 14, May 12, June 10 (dairy leaders only) July TBA and Aug 11, Fair Sept. 11-19 no meeting, Oct. 13 post fair meeting

A motion was made by Rob Schricker and supported by Jason DeWeerd to send \$200.00 gift card and a mug to Vanderkolks for the use of the trailer motion passed

Harry Chestnut brought up that if the sheep grow at all we will lose that extra space for hogs and the hog program seems to be growing every year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Halloween festival at 4-H Camp Kidwell October 26-27

Festival of Trees at 4-H Camp Kidwell Dec 5-8

Coming up 4-H AMAC Saturday November 2nd 4:30-8pm The hall in Overisel watch for your invitation coming soon. All leaders and their families are invited. All clubs must be represented.

4-H livestock leaders meeting Tuesday November 12th at 7:30 pm in the Spartan room. Agenda to include 2020 officer elections and committee sign up.

Tuesday December 10th at 6:30 pm in Spartan room livestock officers meet to develop proposed budget

A motion was made by Randy Petroskus to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 pm

Respectfully submitted

Karen Percival, Secretary

CLUBS PRESENT: Bovine Beauties and more, Bunker Hill Gang, Country Clovers, Farm 'n Charm, Hilltop, Hopkins Clever Clovers, Kids & Kritters, Lakeview, Martin Area Livestock, Martin Cattle Rustlers, Milk N Honey, Monterey Community, North Allegan Livestock, Overisel Champs, Purple Circle Swine, Purple Vision, Rabbit River, Riverview Beef, Watson Wranglers, Wayland Clover, Wayland Livestock

FAIR COMMENTS:

Went well

Goat show went well

Thank you for all the help in the poultry barn

Cheating brought up not by kids but by the leaders

Pig show run breed classes like crossbred classes

Like how sheep show went this year with showmanship last

Lost a lot of rabbits

Sheep show can Cloverbuds show closer to the beginning

Didn't like not running the swine through the sale

Sell carcass at live weight

Have buyers pay for processing

Charged for camping on Thursday even though we must be there

More classes for still exhibits

Fans for buyers at the luncheon

Auction lunch needs to be changed

1st year kids don't know pictures have to be taken with market livestock

Pigs checked in like steers if they have papers

Nobody in the dairy barn was notified when we could set up

Rabbit Superintendent went above and beyond with the problems this year

Change sweepstakes

Fitting rule needs to be adjusted leaders being paid to fit

Take care of your own business and quit being busy bodies

Thank you for allowing the judging team to use the animals for practice

Sheep show judge only placed the top five would like to place all the way down

The vets were mistreated they are asked to be there by the fair

Thank you, Jason,

Thank you to all who helped with shipping

Different judges for Herdsmanship not 4-h kids

Dairy beef and starters with other steers was nice

Didn't like sheep showmanship at the end of the show

Poultry need a better PA system was nice

Rumors in beef barn maybe DNA test steer

Need a committee for beef tagging

Show buyers number in order to eat at luncheon

Need to look at tagging sheep tagging is too close to MLE

Beef central location to bring to tag and DNA test

Fair is turning into a free for all

Never see the sheep superintendent except show and sale day

4-her was sworn at for washing calves

Drinking was way out of control

No muzzles on lambs and goats

Split goat breeds up more

Better ventilation in the beef barn

Clubs need to help more with auction set up and tear down

Fair needs to be more about the kids not the parents

Thank you Vanderkolks for use of trailer

Fair was very stressful not fun at all

More drama than needed to be

Better job of doing what is expected of us as leaders