

Minutes of the Junior Livestock Auction Committee
June 1st, 2017
GLENN COUNTY FAIR
42nd DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
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1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Dane Nissen at 6:32 PM

2. **ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Dane Nissen, Shannon Douglass, Neisha Furtado, Janise Lohse, Val Henning, Susan Shippelhoue, Diane Amaro, Ryan Edson, Christina Ward, Anna Cannon, Staci Alves

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Ryan Edson moved to approve the minutes of the March JLC meeting; seconded by Christina Ward.
Motion carried.

4. **Old Business:**

CEO Newman stated that A&R Meats processing only received two animals and there is a charge from Superior to make delivery stops so it was unanimous that A&R would not be an option for processing.

5. **New Business:**

Amanda Samons suggested that the JLC is encompassing both the auction and the show and that these additional responsibilities can be taxing on the committee members that are also responsible for many students at fair time. She suggested that a few of these duties may be more appropriately assigned to the acting livestock superintendent. Items that were tabled and requested to be on future agendas: creating duty binders and assigning all tasks, round robin out of county - define the rules clearly, back up animal/ second animal, clearly defining out of county exceptions, looking for a processor for resale on rabbits and chickens, small animal round robin, load out reconfigured to avoid traffic possibly species at different times?

6. **Wrap up notes:**

CEO Newman created a list of positive things that went well at fair time and a list of items that could be improved. She also requested input from the committee. The positives: Trailer move in, weigh ins, soccer field camping, the music for champion drives, breakfast, move in, load out, auction temp. (porta coolers), sound was good in Brawley arena, theme well represented in barn décor, resale hogs load out, all animal load out. The things that need to be improved: confirming all judge and vet contracts early in the week, feeding passes being abused, photography contract, ring men training, set up and decor for breakfast, auction day logistics, clerks coordinated better, silent auction completely refigured, cross club groups need to notify the fair for barn charts, might possibly charge \$1.00 for showmanship so it would be more obvious on the summary receipt.

7. **Barn Layout and Overcrowding:**

The JLC have tabled eliminating the second animal but might relook at multiple species and out of county. It was decided that we still have some barn space on the south side of the beef barn if our numbers grow.

8. **Adult showmanship:**

This fund raiser was very successful the committee raised \$427.00 for barn improvements, possibly a grill for the breakfast or a porta cooler for the ring will be purchased. The overall feedback was very positive the kids enjoyed signing their parents up and coaching them. The only revision will be that alcohol needs to be in a discreet container

9. **Creating duty folders**

The strongest sentiment that was communicated was that the JLC has successfully gone through the transition phase and are now much more experienced and knowledgeable and it is time to create comprehensive informational binders that specifically describe the duties that different members are appointed to be

responsible for at fair time so people do not start from scratch in the future. This will be accomplished at a future meeting.

9. **Food Service for auction:**

The JLC decided that the breakfast will remain the same. It is a goal to create a binder outlining this responsibility and assigning a committee member to head the breakfast and to make sure that all the different elements including food ordering, food prep, paper products, décor and staffing are taken care of.

10. **Round Robin Review.**

The committee is going to review this and decide at a future meeting as to how the rules for round robin should look in the exhibitor handbook.

11. **Terminal Sale:**

CEO Newman brought it to the attention of the committee that there were only 16 animals designated live pick up and that it complicates the sorting process and puts the fair at higher liability exposing us to the likelihood of accidentally processing an animal that was supposed to be live. CEO Newman also stated that animals should come to the fair as a finished product ready for consumption, the buyer should not have to 'finish' the animal. The committee decided not to discourage any buyers and left the sale unchanged.

12. **Out of county participation (Butte Core & other charter schools)**

Committee member Neisha Furtado is going to forward the committee all the pertinent rules pertaining to this issue. She will forward the state rules and Glenn County rules and then the committee will decide on this later.

13. **Independents:**

It needs to be clearly stated in the exhibitor handbook that independents are not eligible for a pen of five award or clean stall. The committee would like to reconsider qualifications for being able to sell a market animal at the fair.

14. **Judge And vet confirmation prior to the fair:**

CEO Newman stated that it would be very helpful if someone confirmed with all judges and volunteer veterinarians immediately prior to the fair.

15. **Judges:**

The JLC feels it is a priority to invest in judges from out of the area for all the large animals.

16. **Policy for handing animals that do not make it to the processor**

In the future if an animal does not make it to the processor the sale manager will be notified and this person will communicate the options to the buyer.

17. **Auction Review:**

The whole week was a huge success, weigh ins to load out. The auction itself can use a little tweaking but to the public it was a great year. The auction finishes in a timely manner, the breakfast is delicious, the porta coolers were appreciated and the sound was better than prior years. The new JLC is doing a great job!

NEXT MEETING DATE: TBD

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned by Chairman Dane Nissen 9:07 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Ryann Newman, CEO, Glenn County Fair

(s) Ryann Newman
CEO, Glenn County Fair

(s) Dane Nissen
Chairman, JLAC

