

Redwater 4-H Council Meeting

September 13, 2022 6:30 PM

UCC Church Basement

Call to Order: Mark called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm

Roll Call

Members present:

- o **Officers and Extension Staff:** Michelle May - Butte-Lawrence County Extension Representative; Mark Heine- President (Lawrence County); Nicole Jones- Vice President (Butte County); Carmen Drieling- Secretary (Butte County), Melissa Dean- Treasurer (Lawrence County)
- o **Butte County:** Amy Clark, Shawnie MacKaben, Samantha Hiles, Holly Main, Rebecca Kari
- o **Lawrence County:** Mary Pochop, Kindra Gordan, Roxie Tetrault, Kristy Eastman
- o **Youth Representative:** Not present
- o **Additional attendees:** Idamarie Snorteland, Raye Brown, Amanda Biegert, Shannon Davis, Kelli Leitner, Kristy Schmidt, Christy Frerichs and Courtney Rans

Flag Salute and 4-H pledge

Secretary's Report - Carmen Drieling -VOTE

- Nicole moved to accept second Shawnie vote unanimous

Treasurer's Report - Melissa Dean - VOTE

- Shannon has a bill to submit to Redwater. Wants reimbursed for hotel for swine, beef and sheep judge.
- Shawnie made a motion to reimburse Shannon for judges move and Carmen second the motion. Will come from general fund. Unanimous vote
- Sammi made a motion to reimburse Michelle \$175, Shawnie seconded the motion. Unanimous vote
- Roxie needs reimbursed for belt buckles. Ray made motion, Shawnie second motion. Unanimous vote
- Horse judge needs paid more based on the percentages voted on in the June meeting.
- Nicole moved to accept the treasurers report, and Shannon seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

Livestock committee in October 18, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Judges pay will continue to be and belt buckles was tabled for the next meeting. Money donated needs to be set aside only for belt buckles.

Discussion took place on how to get more businesses to donate or show up for the sale:

- Go back to clubs and advertise, go to business for livestock sale rather than send the letter from list. Have kids go talk about project on their own. Have kids promote their own animals. Need some fresh and good ideas.

Discussions took place on what 4Hers can do:

- Talked about Friday night to polish up barns for the sale. Maybe add sell number on stall. Champion drive or show parade. There was ideas for signs to put above stalls to tell everyone the winners. Maybe paint numbers on their backs after the show for sale animals. Leave it up to the 4Hers on how to display and show which animals are for sale.

Sale Statistics:

- 103 kids sold animals this year at the livestock sale. Grossed over 108,000 and paid out over 111,000, that was after commissions and etc. was taken out. Was higher than previous sale, had 18 beef sold this year. Had additional donation from new businesses.

Static Committee- Met late August- See sheet insert from Mary Pochop

- Should have a deadline on awards? Discussion took place. Suggestion was not to turn away money and take donations for the awards. Judges are coming up with new categories during the fair. June 1 should be deadline to make sure there isn't conflicts. Maybe create two additional winners because of a possible tie or instances were something may happen. Want to be consistent.
- Added a few Best of Show classes based on the outcomes of the fair.
- Posters and Displays: A trifold display is a project related then goes to that judge. If the display doesn't have a class then posters would be judged. Now the display and posters will be judged together. Unless the item is physically plants or something that should be judged by the specific judges.
- Robotics are going to be judged by poster displays.
- When entering eggs: These are under static exhibits. Maybe needs changed under the state level.
- Catch a sheep portfolio: Need to entered under sheep/wool display and have the specific judge look at these and have a rubric for the judge. Winners of catch a sheep need to do this part too for the criteria. Someone needs to come up with writing up the criteria and something to give out to the kids.
- Livestock tubs confusion: Issues with inventory and what ribbons are to be used for and wasn't clear. The right inventory wasn't in the tubs and hopefully will be corrected next year. Would like to finalize all the awards and ribbons this fall to get everything ordered. Livestock ribbon sheets need to be filled out for the office, each species will have this in their tubs.
- Belt buckles need to be consistent and there was someone who said they would donate for belt buckles for sheep or other species. There has been troubles getting belt buckles for sheep due to Covid.
- Committee would like to increase sponsorship for awards from \$25 to \$30. Kristy gave an update on what prizes could be bought and being consistent between species.
 - Ray made a motion to increase livestock and static sponsorship to \$30. Kendra seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

- Fair board needs to approve the location for the Silent Auction.
- Amanda Biegert is going to be the new Static Superintendent.

4H Food Stand Report:

- How did the cards go?
- Nacho cheese machine needs changed- health inspector dinged the food stand.
- Runners were great and helped out
- Thought to have volunteers to help with Prep of food.
- Need to have a list of things to do and checklist. Need sign of how to prepare each food item, example walking tacos. There will be expectation and clubs needs to read.
- Having a 15 minute shift overlay in the schedule.
- Need to have a lower shelf build to have storage without items on the floor.
- Need to have inventory list of items that are paid by the council.
- Discussion took place that the individual doing food stand should get compensation. This discussion is tabled until the next meeting.

Awards and Recognition: Monday September 22, 2022 at 12:00 pm is the next meeting.

- Look at awards, books and determine points for rewards at the end.
- Point boards rewards will be discussed.

Garbage at fair: It was asked to have a morning shift be added to the schedule. 8:00 am shift to start the day that are empty for every day.

Shooting Sports:

- Safety training October 2 for new members and returning later in the day. Look at Monday Minute for updates.
- 15 kids doing shotgun and 10-12 mussel loader. Zech Kari broke several records.

Old Business:

Fundraising cards: Goal was 500 goal 484 cards sold but one club hasn't turned in cards yet.

- Should be bringing in just over 6800 (estimated)
- Would like to change and do the fundraiser starting in June
- Committee is open to ideas for changes
- Would like a longer window to sell cards and how to set up the program.
- Should have the top sellers at the recognition banquet.
- How is money going to be spent? Cards are taking place of the phone a thon and going back to 4H to help with youth. Helping with awards.
- Focus on March meeting to have this ready by June 1.
- Talk about this at the selling at the recognition banquet to let families know what this was about.
- If there are card discrepencies when using the card make sure to let committee know.

Pitchfork Fondue

162 tickets sold for the Fondue

Gave out a total of \$4900 to assist 4Hers!

4H recognition banquet is set for Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 2:00 until 4:00 pm MST

Doc Meyers for the Honorary Friends of 4H. Shawnie made motion Nicole seconded.

Unanimous vote

Shawnie made a motion for \$100 from Redwater for a 10 X 6 plaque and gift certificate to give to Meyers. Nicole seconded. Unanimous vote

Officers Election for Redwater Council:

Treasurer and President open for the next meeting in November. Mark gave his recognition at the end of the year. They would probably need to come from Lawrence County to keep voting even.

Fair Dates next year: July 31 to August 5

Will be voting on Themes and colors for next years fair so get ideas from your clubs or leaders.

Ray made a motion to adjourn and Shannon seconded the motion.