# 4-H Outdoor Committee Minutes

# December 8, 2014, 5:30PM

## Members Attendance:

LastNAME	FirstNAME	CLUB	E-Mail	POSITION
PRESENT:				
Deaton	Dennis	Big Sky 4-H	ddeaton@mt.net	Adult Chairman
Cerovski	Janet	Extension		MSU Extension 4-H Admin
Johnson	Cage	Haywire Kids		Youth Chairman
Sarchet	Brent	Extension Report	bsarchet@montan.edu	MSU Extension Agent
deMontigny	Marilyn	Sleeping Giants	marilynjdemontigny@gmail.com	Dairy
Bratlien	Karen	Big Sky 4-H		Dog
Olson	Vanessa	LCL-Last Chance Livestock	2qtrarcle@gmail.com	Horse
Williams	Val	LCL-Last Chance Livestock		Poultry
Patton	Jeff	LCL-Last Chance Livestock		Sheep
Hamilton	David	Big Sky 4-H	davidhamilton431@gmail.com	Swine
Ashmore	Jim	Haywire Kids	jim@kjnranch.org	Member
Bratlien	Lance	Big Sky 4-H		Member
Bratlien	Wade	Big Sky 4-H		Member
Brewer	Brendon	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Brewer	Kegan	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Brewer	Taton	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Brewer	Wes	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Bridges	Katie	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Deaton	Sydney	Big Sky 4-H		Member
Gardner	Dave	LCL-Last Chance Livestock		Member
Hamilton	Karyn	Big Sky 4-H	dewk2h@netzero.net	Member
Kelley	Coleten	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Kelley	Crystal	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Kelley	Jace	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Kelley	Juanita	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Kelley	Russ	Birdsye Hi Altitude		Member
Lowry	David	Sleeping Giants	dhsanetamcke@yahoo.com	Member
Lowry	Isabelle	Sleeping Giants		Member
Lowry	Kimberly	Sleeping Giants	kimberly@unitedcountrymontana.com	Member
McNeil	Catherine	Sweet Clovers		Member
Nachtsheim	Nathan	Birdsye Hi Altitude	bss1af2@gmail.com	Member
Ostberg	Michelle	MT Coity Mavericks	mostberg@bresnan.net	Member
Saraco	Amanda	Haywire Kids		Member
Tamcke	Shane	Sleeping Giants	dhsanetamcke@yahoo.com	Member
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Williams	Duane			Barn Security
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Grady-Selby	rate	Canyon Creek Stock	kgrady@mt.gov	Herdsmanship
Open	Den			Livestock Judging
Converse	Don			Northern Rep
Newman	Nicole			Poultry
Open	D J			Quality Assurance
Gribbons	Dundee 			Rabbit
Leslie	Jim			Round Robin
Leslie	Jim			Vet Science

The Outdoor Committee Meeting was called to order by Dennis Deaton-Chairman at 5:30PM December 8, 2014 in the Extension office.

November 10, 2014 Minutes presented, moved to be accepted by Sydney Deaton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Hamilton, unanimous approved

### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS:**

Beef – Animal must be in possession by Jan 1, 2015, Forms due by Jan 2, 2015, Tagging will be on Jan 4, 2015, 10:00AM (1 tagging day), must have bill of sale at tagging.

Dairy - No Report

Dog – 1<sup>st</sup> session next Saturday, Dec 13, 2014

Goat - Doing good

Herdsmanship - No Report

Horse - No meeting next week (CANX)

Next Monday, 17 Nov 2014, 5:30PM BHB Horse Meeting

Livestock Judging – Vacant, no report

Poultry – Turkeys will be allowed based on owner finding processor, will need to add to Premium Book.

Quality Assurance – Brent, Meeting on December 15th at Extension Office, 5:30PM

Rabbit – Last month meeting had 15 attendees, doing well.

Fair "OPEN" NOTE: from Dennis Deaton – maximum allowed animals to enter is 5 for OPEN competition at Fair

Round Robin - No Report

Sale – Meetings start in Jan and Feb, No Report at this time.

Sheep – Workshop end of January or first week of February, to be announced; Ultrasound is being used by another state, no junior position filled yet.

Swine – Juniors are Jay and Miranda

Vet Science – No Report

Extension Report – Brent, Candidate Interviews & Reference checks are complete, should have decision by January.

Northern Rep - No Report

Barn Security - No Report

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Fair Variances Policy/Process
  - a. Dennis presented 2007 draft
  - b. Dennis proposed to table discussion to have reviewed by new agent and propose for action to accept a new policy by first of year, January?
- 2. White Ribbon Policy discussion on process and responsibilities with following points:
  - a. Dennis presented consideration of animals with white ribbons should not be allowed to sell.
  - b. Standard expectations should be written into judges contract
  - c. Consider Vet & Judge having authority to make determination; issue white ribbon
  - d. Judge should be best qualified to make determination for market potential
  - e. Stay with quality and experienced judges
  - f. Judge versus carcass evaluations, not consistent in quality of animal

MOTION: Kimberly Lowry (2<sup>ed</sup> – Catherine McNeil) moved that the judge is to be informed that animals receiving white ribbons are not allowed to go to 4-H sale and this should be so stated in the contract.

1<sup>st</sup> amended: Shane (2<sup>ed</sup> Jeff) White ribbons will be issued for "No Sale" animals as determined by Judge.

VOTE: 10 for / 0 against – carried as approved

2<sup>nd</sup> amended: Wes (2<sup>nd</sup> Taton) White ribbon decision can be appealed to extension office

VOTE: 2 for / 10 against – killed, not approved

VOTE: Revised motion with approved 1st amended language 10 for / 3 against - carried as approved

- 3. Late Fair Entries discussion with following points:
  - a. Dennis presented that Indoor Committee is allowing registration up to June 18<sup>th</sup> with \$50 fine or No Grand or Reserve competition if late registered, no registration accepted after June 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Consider same position for Outdoor?
  - c. Should we consider same dollar amount?
  - d. Not fair to member who can't make end-date
  - e. Member has 4 weeks with forms to get complete and turned in
  - f. We should work with club adult mentors to provide encouragement/support and work on meeting suspense date.
  - g. Former extension office agent removed policies and procedures that previously related to this and other issues.
  - h. Up to 3 days late pay fine of \$50

MOTION: Wes Brewer moved (Russ Kelley  $2^{ed}$  motion) to follow Indoor Policy with \$50 fine or No Grand or Reserve competition if late registered and no registration accepted after June  $18^{th}$ . No further discussion.

VOTE: 14 for / 3 against – carried as approved.

- 4. Tuesday Fair Schedule meeting recap —Dennis provided information on the structure of having Tuesday as the arrival date for animals.
  - a. Council vote action on this will be at the January 2015 Council meeting.
- 5. Beef Superintendent Resignation (RaeLynn Christians).
  - a. How did the decision process bypass the Outdoor Committee for an "exception" to 4-H member participation in Fair Judging event?
  - b. Procedures are not in place
  - c. Process has been followed for years without written procedures and then it is not followed?
  - d. Copy of E-mail presenting intent was initiated in Oct bot not forwarded to Beef Super?
  - e. Discussed letters & policies in respect to organizational structure and program management.
- 6. Swine Tagging.
  - a. Tagging same as last year? Consensus was to continue same.
  - b. Some discussion about weight gain vs health (disease) concerns.
- 7. Fair Passes.
  - a. Gate passes for one child over 12 and one parent. Under 12 are free?
- 8. Junior Supers are still needed.

#### **OLDBUSINESS:**

- 1. Hiring/contact with judges.
  - a. Hiring of judges is handled by the Extension office and contact by any 4-H member or fair participant is prohibited once contract(s) is awarded.

MOTION: Jeff Patton moved (Karen Bratlien 2<sup>ed</sup> motion) to establish a policy statement, "The Livestock Judge(s) can be recommended to the extension office agent who makes the final decision and awards contract with the exception of the "Round-Robin" and "Herdsmanship" events."

No further discussion

VOTE: 13 for / 0 against – carried as approved.

- 2. Banners for Grand & Reserve champions
  - a. ~\$18-20 each if member keeps the banner
  - b. ~\$40 each for larger banner
  - c. Purpose is to show off the market winners
  - d. Could approach sponsors to help offset cost
  - e. Approx. 16 awards to be recognized
  - f. Photo Op consideration
  - g. Ribbon Stencil discussed
  - h. Need to provide final bids/costs and timeline for process to be completed
- 3. Dead Animal Policy
  - a. Is current policy OK with Grand Reserve recognition ineligible on replacement animal?
  - b. Buddy policy? Revisit next year.

MOTION: Shane Tamcke moved (Wes Brewer 2<sup>ed</sup> motion) to leave policy as is currently written and work on Buddy policy for next year.

No further discussion.

**VOTE: Unanimous for motion** 

- 4. Adult Round Robin no notes on this item
- 5. Painting of Panels
  - a. Budgeted \$135 for project
  - b. Junior superintendent will lead project?
  - c. Start right after Jack Pot
  - d. Karen Youth volunteers
- 6. Certified Scale
  - a. Must meet the NTEP Standard 1999
  - b. We have available 5 50 lbs weight standards to use with our scales
- 7. Turkeys as meat birds
- 8. Minimum pig weight for 2015 is 210 lbs., MAX wt is 300 lbs.

OTHER	<b>BUSINESS</b> :
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None

### **FUTURE BUSINESS:**

None

#### **ADJOURN:**

Jeff Patton moved to dismiss just after 7:38PM, all agreed.