

April 23, 2019

Call to Order at 6:41pm by Michelle Powell

Roll Call

## Board of Directors Report

- **Awards**

- Buckles

- Same design as previous year.
    - Will discuss with Preston Williams, about design, color of stone options for 2020 Pinal County Fair.

- Some Buyers & Participants didn't receive Awards

- Have awards that were not claimed available for pickup, would like to see a better implementation of distribution for buyers and award winners.

- **T-Shirts**

- Had a major issue with t-shirt, youth representatives came up with a great idea, but it wasn't executed to their final wishes, but had misspellings and errors- plan to have a better process for multiple checks to ensure proper spelling and execution.

- **Ribbons**

- Plan to work better with Karen Searle to count Exhibitors, and ensure the correct amount of purple, blue and red ribbons.

- **Carcass Superintendents**

- Mike with Millers Southwest brought Carcasses to CAC for pictures, and final part of contest- very positive feedback, plan to do yearly.
  - Area to improve- Arizona Best Bred & Fed Champion. Need to work with all species superintendents to determine how winners will be selected. Nothing currently in Rule Book about guidelines for selection.

- **Decoration Committee**

- Decorations looked good, positive feedback.
  - Miscommunication of previous backdrop availability, scrambling to find a quality backdrop for the pictures. Thoughts could be incorporating a banner background vs handmade, similar to Maricopa County Fair (Jeff Maynard made)- ultimate decision left to decoration committee.

- **Fair Directors**

- Executive Board would request a meeting before Fair, to iron out detail about what each groups will need from each other for the week of Fair.

- **Swine Superintendents**
  - Start time of shows. Had issues with Show Works, although it is the duty of the Superintendents to ensure with Show Works employees that the classes are correct and defined the night before to ensure start of show is timely.
- **Superintendents (ALL SPECIES)**
  - Market & Showmanship will have a new “Bio” from Champions for Show of Champions, and Auction.
- **Exhibitor Classes**
  - This year we worked to clarify classes at tag-ins but still had struggles the week of Fair with exhibitors to confirm class (novice, junior, intermediate, senior) but still have multiple exhibitors placed in the wrong classes. Open to suggestions on how to improve this process.
- **Round Robin**
  - On “Fun-Friday”, we currently have Round Robin, Scavenger Hunt, and Skill-a-thon. We’d like to propose that next year we add to this day, and in the evening all awards are distributed Friday evening and not on Sunday. Thus eliminating the Sunday awards. Apology for miscommunication of having all awards on Sunday, and not handing out awards after Round Robin.
- **ALL COMMITTEE**
  - We work so hard to get to Fair, that we need a commitment for the Committee Members to be present at Fair. We need support on Auction Day, helping setup, directing people to ensure that the week of Fair goes smoothly.

#### Treasurer Report

- Income include: Auction Income, Award Sponsorships, Banner Sponsorship, Exhibitor Fees, and Scholarship Fund and Donations.
- Expenses include: Banners, Show Works, Awards, Computer Rental Equipment, Livestock Inspector, Decorations, Judges, Drug Testing, Auction Shirts, Reimbursement for Hog Panels, Scale Certification, PCJLC t-shirts.
- Balance: \$181,563 from March. Scholarship: \$7,030

#### Fair Director Report

- Karen Searle: Nothing to report, covered in Board of Directors Report. Positive feedback from Fair, and working with PCJLC- things are getting better and better every year. Upcoming Events: Roller Derby, Lantern Festival.
- Cell Tower will be up at Animal Control by next year for improved service at Fair.

## Call to the Public

- **Brian Carter**
  - Communication in Barns. Swine Barn particularly. Speakers didn't work well throughout Fair, exhibitors, parents can't hear calls or plans. Suggestion: Rent or get additional speakers.
  - Ribbons awarded. To utilize ribbons better, purple ribbon should only go to high quality animals.
    - Michelle would like to see a communication between superintendents, and judges about show philosophy of what color ribbons and to award to which quality of animals.
  - Swine Classification. Need a classification judge at scales to determine classification. Bill of Sale states breed, purebred or not- and that should be justifiable as to whether or not it is whatever specie. Room for improvement.
  - Late Shows. Not able to announce to kids about late start, because of poor speaker system. Need better communication.
  
- **Mike Campbell**
  - Request to get pigs out sooner on trucks, need loading chute for swine into trailers. Multiple trailers trying to use personal exhibitor ramps.
    - Carlos offered to pay on behalf of Program if they had specs on what a ramp should look like.
  - Shipping areas defined by personal pickup, packers etc.
  - Suggestion: Shipping Committee, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Swine Superintendent Position.
  
- **Denny Daniels**
  - Request to Level the pig barn.
    - Karen Searle plans to take down pens in North barn, and level. Add dirt to steer area, put in lime.
    - Karen said that the pig barn is leveled every year.
  
- **Gary Dale**
  - Champion Goat didn't go to slaughter immediately.
  - Correct, went through multiple hands, and not caught. Once recognized, it was dealt with immediately. Animal was picked up buyer, upon realization, animal was picked up by executive committee, and taken to Millers Southwest.
  - Plan to stamp each carbon copy, and remove buyer pickup from champion sale sheets. Perhaps: all Champions are taken to the same slaughter plant. Open to ideas to ensure corrective actions for prevention.

## Standing Committee Reports

- **Member at Large:** Michelle Weese
  - Need to assist Contest Chair in preparation for contests.
  - Received positive feedback from exhibitor with Dance & Bonfire being on the same evening.
  - BBQ text messages weren't received or able to be forwarded to leaders due to poor cell service.
  - Poultry Show- positive feedback with 4H & FFA showing together.

- **4H Executive Report:** Misti Todd
  - Majority of results were positive.
  - Pee-Wee Showmanship- miscommunication on new pee-wee classes, and would like to see prizes for all pee-wee classes the same (shirts, medals or ribbons etc).
  - Award Ceremony on Sunday.
    - Wanted to do Awards with PCJLC not after PCJLC.
  - Continuity between species and ribbons. All species should have the same color ribbons, effects sale order, and animals purchased by consumers.
  
- **Auction Committee:** Carlos Gamez
  - Invoices have been mailed, be due May 31, 2019.
    - Held up for a month, in attempt to collect add-ons that have been trickling in. Add-Ons will still be accepted.
  - Stats:
    - Total Collected: \$627,000, down \$24,000 from 2018
    - Had 30-40 less buyers then 2018 Fair
    - Range of sale: \$300 to \$13,000 (lowest, and highest the exhibitors made)
    - Overall still a very positive sale, had a great auctioneer available even though we saw falling numbers.
    - Donations: PCJLC Scholarship ~\$8,000, 4H Scholarship ~\$4000, 4H Camp \$3,000, Topper Raffle ~\$5000, Over the Hill Show ~\$600.
  - Checks hope to be distributed middle of June.
  - Request from Johno- would like to see average price for each specie over the past 5 years to observe trends.
  - Will have print out for each exhibitor at the May Meeting to be distributed by the Members at Large.
  - Sponsor Invoices will be mailed by the end of the week.
  - Total number of Market & Carcass Animals- 425.
  - 2020 Fair Auction Goals
    - Would like to move Auction to center of Barn, have tables for big buyers “VIP Section”- cater to buyers a little better.
    - Plan to start a “blue ribbon fund” going after non-ag industry representatives to donate any amount, as it adds up.
  
- **Awards & Sponsorship:** Michelle Powell
  - Good ideas moving forward for next year with checks, and balances.
  
- **Champion Selection:** Wyatt Myers
  - No report
  
- **BBQ & Breakfast Committee:** Greg Homol
  - Schedule worked well, would like to change the setup of the “L”, will work with Karen Searle on setup.
  - Served over 1000 plates, ran out.
  - Farm Bureau reported positive setup, and support.

- Pancake Breakfast worked out well, appreciate support from Lions Club and CEMEX.
- Kenny Salinas was very supportive of Committee.
- **Contest Committee:** Not Present.
- **Youth Rep Committee:** Not Present.
- **Scholarship Committee:** Misti Todd
  - Positive revision process, enjoyed being a part of the process.
- **Decoration & Photographer Committee:** Not Present.
- **Fair Setup Committee:** Not Present.
- **Dance & Bonfire Committee:** Not Present.
- **Round Robin Committee:** Not Present.
- **Beef Superintendent:** Johnno Nevitt
  - Nothing to report.
- **Veal Superintendent:** Wyatt Myers
  - Plan to rename the Program to Bucket Calves, similar to Yuma County.
  - Animals that are currently being sold as “veal” are not true veal, because they are being fed grain (color of meat changes).
- **Swine Superintendent:** Not Present.
- **Goat Superintendent:** Not Present.
- **Lamb Superintendent:** Not Present.
- **Carcass Superintendent:** Not Present.

### Special Committee Reports

### New Business

- **Rule Change Committee**
  - Chaired by Elizabeth Skornik
  - Committee Members: Karen Searle, Greg Homol
  - Rule Changes will be filtered through online system, and organized for Committee review at May meeting.
  - Summary of Rule Changes available for checks, and balances.
  - Rule Change Proposals in by May 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - Voting May 21, 2019 at Annual May Meeting.
- **Committee Position Elections:** Committee positions available.

Adjourned at 8:34pm