MEDINA COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW

MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 8, 2022 DEVINE HIGH SCHOOL

Members present: J Balencia, W Beard, C Brown. P Clarke, A Cranfill, E Davis, J Flores, D Garza, A Hackebeil, B Halbardier, M Hightower, T Johnson, R Kohlleppel, C Luedke, J Mello, S Miller, A Segura, K Outlaw, T Parker, C Parson. M Pedroza, B Prukop, K Rodriguez, W Rogge, Ca Saunders, Ch Saunders, S Simpton, B Steubing, T Tatsch, T Titsworth, T Tschirhart, R Welch, K Williamson, M Zinsmeyer, D Zipp QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Members not present: R Crossland (prior notification), M Echtle (prior notification), S Kunkel, R McGinnis, K Parker (prior notification), K Persyn (prior notification), B Scott (prior notification), J Zinsmeyer

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 by President C Luedke. Pledge was led by C Luedke and the opening prayer was offered by R Welch. Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed; motion (W Beard, P Clarke) to accept minutes as presented, passed.

Financial report was given by B Prestage. Bank balances are as follows:

Operating account (TXN Bank): \$35,492.55

Auction account (Vantage Bank): \$152,408.98

Long term investment account (TXN Bank): \$94,337.41

Report on unclaimed checks due to lack of thank-you notes and/or 4H record books: Board members were asked to encourage the parents of the exhibitors with unclaimed checks to fulfill the requirements and claim the checks so the funds do not have to be turned over to the State Comptroller's office.

Special called meeting

1. C Luedke: The purpose of the special meeting is to consider a proposal by P Clarke (sent out to the membership previously) to change General Rule #9 from "If an exhibitor is ineligible under the No Pass - No Play" rule at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday prior to MCJLS, the entry is not to come on the grounds," to "If an exhibitor is ineligible under the No Pass - No Play" rule at 5:00 p.m. on Friday prior to MCJLS, the entry is not to come on the grounds." Motion (Ch Saunders, D Zipp) to adopt the new wording, passed.

Special meeting was adjourned at 6:17

Regular meeting was called to order at 6:17 by C Luedke.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 2. Discussion about the business addressed in the special meeting. Notice of the proposed rule change had been sent out before the 10 days required by the constitution. Point was made that the constitution states 10 days notification and not before, therefore the motion covered in the special meeting should not have been made or passed. Other points made were that the spirit of the rule was to send out change notices with enough notice for members to have time to consider a change; also the executive secretary was gone on vacation at the 10 day mark, so the notice was sent out early. Motion by W Beard to strike the bylaw change made during the special meeting died for lack of a second. C Luedke addressed the board on this point and clarified that everyone agrees that receiving a rule-change request before the 10-day mark is acceptable; board agreed by acclamation.
- 3. Officer elections: At a prior meeting, a change was made in officer election rules that do not adhere to the constitution. The rules dictate that the people holding the offices of vice president and secretary move up to President and Vice President respectively, which leaves the office of secretary open. W Beard nominated C Luedke for secretary; motion (W Beard, P Clarke) to cease nominations, passed. C Luedke was accepted for the office of secretary by acclamation.
- S Simpton moved in to the office of president and continued with the meeting. M Pedroza now serves as vice president.
- 5. C Luedke reported on contract with the city of Hondo: There is no specific offer on the table from the city, and the MCJLS board has not specified any offer. Discussion items: making an offer and initiating a meeting with new mayor and city manager; our dates are definitely on the city calendar; prospect show rental fees are expected to stay the same as last year; removal of shavings may have an impact on rental fees. Motion (W Beard, J Mello) to authorize the executive committee and facilities superintendent to meet with city manager to negotiate the 2023 county show rental, not to exceed \$10,000 without board approval, passed.
- 6. Update on prospect shows: T Parker presented a written report (included here) on details of the September prospect shows, including a sponsorship form for awards. Also, a photographer had contacted T Parker and asked to take photos at the prospect shows at no cost to MCJLS, but does need a backdrop. Motion (C Luedke, J Mello) to allow photographer to use our backdrop at prospect shows, passed. Members were reminded of work days prior to September prospect shows; lots of help needed by members and student exhibitors. T Parker and T Tatsch will consult with each other concerning swine prospect show.
- Old bleachers: C Luedke reported that he has contacted fair association people about the status
 of the old bleachers that are still at the fairgrounds. Some will be removed, but it is not clear
 whether any will be left at the fair grounds or not.

NEW BUSINESS

- 8. Commercial Heifer weights: T Tschirhardt reported that due to current drought conditions, heifers at the required minimum weights are difficult to find, and this situation will have a negative impact on the commercial heifer show. Motion (T Tschihardt, M Zinsmeyer) to implement a waiver for the 2023 MCJLS Commercial Heifer show for a minimum weight of 550 pounds, thus weight requirements would be 550-850 pounds, passed. Discussion about requests to reduce weight requirements for other species in the past had been denied.
- S Simpton reported that bids for show photographer for the 2023 county show were called for in June and July, and one was received. The bid of Katina Costerisan, www.weknowlivestock.com was accepted.
- 10. Validation dates were set as follows:

*Commercial Heifers: September 25, 2022 at David Jones Ranch; 3:00-5:00

*Sheep and goats: October 15, 2022 at HHS Project Center; 8:00-11:00

*Halter Heifers: October 23, 2022 at the Persyn Ranch; 2:00-4:00

*Swine: November 12, 2022 at MVHS, 8-10 am; Natalia Project Center, 11-12:00, Devine HS 1:00-3:00

November 13, 2022, HHS Project Center, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

*Rabbits: December 22, 2022, HHS Project Center, 9-11:00 a.m.

11. Next meeting date: October 24, 2022, Hondo Ag Building, 6:00 pm

MEMBERS WERE AGAIN REMINDED ABOUT AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER WORK DAYS TO PREPARE FOR PROSPECT SHOWS. It was also clarified that exhibitors must work at least 3 hours on designated work days to get early checks.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Minutes recorded and compiled by Brenda Prestage, Executive Secretary

MCJLS Fall Prospect Show Updates

- 1. Judges are secured and they both have rooms at the Best Western in Hondo.
- 2. Mass mail out to past exhibitors has been made
- 3. Buckles have been ordered. We are spending about \$3000 less than last year on the two September prospect shows.
- 4. Ribbons have been ordered.
- 5. Fliers have been sent to Max to put on the website as well as Facebook
- 6. Awards:
 - a. Grand/Reserve Grands Buckles, Banners & Embroidered Garment Bags
 - b. Breed/Division Champions Buckles, Rosette
 - c. Reserve Breed/Division Champions Rosette & Exhibitor Harness/Embroidered Blanket
- 7. Sponsorships Needed (Refer to sponsorship form for pricing)
 - a. We want to have a sponsorship sign made to hang behind the announcer stand with all our sponsors names on it. The sooner we get everything sponsored the more likely the sponsors name will make it on the sign.
- 8. Update made to cattle timeline on Sunday, September 11th
 - a. Progressive show will start the day on Sunday with the Prospect show to follow
 - b. Update was made to the fliers to reflect change
- 9. Don't forget about the set-up days that are fast approaching.
 - a. Ag Teachers Please make sure your students know about these days