

# Williamson County Livestock Association

## Meeting Minutes

1/31/22

### **Call to order**

Brad Noack called to order the Executive meeting of the Williamson County Livestock Association at 7:21 January 31, 2022 at Moravian Hall in Walburg.

### **Roll call**

The following persons were present: Brad Noack, Wayne Sanders, Kyle Kokel, John Faske, Daryl Stefek, Mike Ondrasek, Blake Henderson, Colby Doherty and Paul Boff.

Guests: Shelley Franklin, Brad Adams, Nicole Hilton, Garrett Seidel, Jeremy and Kacy Mikes

**Financial Report: Bancorp - \$57,713.65**

**R Bank - \$751,015.91**

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **A) Scholarship - Committee Chairman - Colby Doherty**

- Scholarship Funding
  - Doug Vrabel Memorial Scholarship
  - WCLA Scholarship(s)
  - 2022 Scholarship application and scoring rubric updated, 2022 scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2022.

#### **B) Livestock -**

- Superintendents:
  - Livestock - Wayne Sanders
  - Poultry - Daryl Stefek
  - Rabbit -
  - Goat - Richard Sells
  - Lamb - Matt Suchomel
  - Swine - Colby Doherty
  - Cattle - Mike Ondrasek
  - Award - Blake Henderson
- Judges: Need new judges for 2022.
  - Rabbit Judge – John Terry (if available)
  - Goat Judge –
  - Lamb Judge –
  - Poultry Judge –
  - Cattle – Brandon Callis (if available)

- Swine –
- Gilt Breeding –

### C) Validation -

- DNA Testing – Animal ID -
  - All champions & reserve champions
    - Pull hair at conclusion of champion drive
  - Pull random test from showmanship classes
  - Retags (all) shall have DNA hair pulled
  - Any protest that is brought to the committee will be tested. Samples will pulled after protest fee paid.
  - DNA Samples matched prior to checks being issued
- Validation operations:
  - 2021 Validation DNA hair samples and all samples pulled at 2021 show transferred to 3rd party **All DNA tests came back as a match, with no issues.**
  - 2022 WCLA Show Market rabbit tattoo date to be major show entry night or last day of regular entry for WCLA to be announced at a later date.

### D) Facility -

- Show Schedule details
  - Sunday, December 4th through Sunday December 11th, 2022
  - Meet with EXPO staff about placing panels on Friday December 2nd for barn setup Saturday December 3rd.
  - Move show up a day to allow Friday to prep for sale / auction on Saturday. Adjust show schedule.
- Expo and review layout - Will stay the same until we get more panels.
  - Goal for 2022 show is to create a new layout with arena in the center, if feasible.
    - Away from exhaust fans
    - Shorter alleys
    - Access to both wash racks
  - Will we allow any vendors
    - Vendor Fee - Fundraiser donation
    - Supply Trailer – Yes, Stock Show Pros
- Need PA System - Mike Ondrasek
- Announcer - Need to set the week.
- Scales - Rusty Morgan

### E) Awards -

- Order buckles for 2022 fundraiser for buckle sponsors. Review awards for 2022 show.

**F) Youth Fair -**

- Youth fair setup of hall for auction was spectacular. Request youth fair committee setup help for fundraiser April 23, 2022

**G) Social Media - Committee Chairman - Paul Boff**

- Discuss sharing of other groups fundraising efforts on WCLA social media page(s). If they support 4H/FFA youth at the WCLA sale, we will support them and share their information.

**H) Auctions -**

- Online Auction successful
  - Sandra working with Fair Vault to improve the system
  - Need dedicated working Internet / LAN hookup for auction table and stage.
  - Separate WiFi hotspot for WCLA at Auction

**I) Junior Steering Committee -**

- **No Report**

**J) Legal**

- **No Report**

**K) ShoWorks**

- **No Report**

**L) Fundraising / Sponsor / Auction - Committee Chairmen - Colby Doherty, Blake Henderson**

- 40 Gun Raffle completed, all winners notified.
- Spring Fundraiser April 23, 2022 at Williamson County Expo Hall

**M) Audit**

- **No Report**

**N) 4-H Report**

- **No Report**

**O) Show -**

- Trailers with Ramps can unload from the North area.
- Covered Breezeway will unload from East to West for trailers without ramps.
- Lamb & Goats will not be able to move in until noon on date set in future schedule.
- Poultry to unload in Covered Breezeway from East to West.
- Pull Electric drops from around bleachers
  - For blowers “sheep & goat” show , electric drops on outside walls of barn.
- Photography backdrop setup and operation: Chairman: Mike Ondrasek
  - New backdrop and logo design - Showtimes.
- Sponsor Signs:
  - Current

- New
- Show Ring
- Setup, tear down and storage
- Opening Ceremonies: Junior Steering Committee:
  - Flags
  - Anthem
  - Pledge
  - Prayer
- No Peewee class for 2022 breeding showmanship shows, Peewee exhibitors ages 5-7 will show in Junior Showmanship class with the Juniors, ages 8-11.
- We will have a future feeder's showmanship for market shows: Lambs, Goat, & Swine only.
- Photographer for 2022 - Megan Dunn, MD Creations - Awaiting quote submittal to review for rehire.
- Animals (Steer) needs to be clipped prior to arriving.
  - Steer heads needs to be clipped, specifically polled breeds.
  - British Breeds need to designate breed showing under.
- Wire halters on Steers? No Wire Halters
- Drug Testing: Look into hiring outside entity to administer, monitor and test. Need to review guidelines and set rules. Committee to be established to tour facility and get more information.

### **Old Business**

- 1) Discuss show and sale. Good / Bad / Things to change
- 2) Need to have committees with a director as primary point of contact for the following areas:
  - Scholarships:
  - Sponsorships / Fundraising / Auction:
  - Junior Steering Committee:
  - ShoWorks / Show Office: Learn from Sandra in order to help her and possibly take over one day. Need to purchase two more iPads to aid the check in and check out processes
  - Drug Testing Committee:
  - Validation Committee - 1 director per quadrant to aid quadrant committee or AST's or CEA in that area. Director to issue tags as needed after original validation packets put together.
- 3) Gun raffle draw.
- 4) Discussion on continued consolidation of payments via ShoWorks Auction and invoicing for the outstanding amount(s) owed from the Sale / Auction.

### **New Business**

- 1) Discuss 2022 show schedule. Sun-Thurs show, barn teardown Friday, auction Saturday. Draft new show schedule.
- 2) Need to set up committees: Committees to be headed by a director as chairman, can have committee volunteers chosen by the chairman.
  - A. Scholarship Committee - Chairman Colby Doherty
    - Discuss scholarship applications, Set postmark due date of April 1, 2022.
  - B. Social Media Committee - Chairman Paul Boff
  - C. Fundraiser/Sponsorship/Auction Committee - Chairmen Colby Doherty, Blake Henderson
  - D. Drug Testing Committee - Chairman Wayne Sanders, committee to be formed with other directors to learn more regarding drug testing at the WCLA show and present findings to the board of directors for further decision(s).
- 5) Discuss judges for 2022 show to start checking availability and get confirmations.
- 6) Need to call Rusty Morgan regarding scale that was won and donated to WCLA that was never received.
- 7) Discuss awards for 2022. Need buckles for fundraiser for the species buckle sponsors. Look at 2022 awards as well.
- 8) Discuss fundraiser game items to purchase. Design poker chips for poker chip games, order 2 sets.
- 9) Discussed updated total and still consolidating and receiving funds from buyers from the sale. Opened ShoWorks session to continue to allow payment online. Hope to have all payments completed to complete audit and Issue checks by end of February.
- 10) Issue tickets for spring fundraiser to start selling.

Motion to adjourn made by Wayne Sanders, seconded by Blake Henderson, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Brad Noack