

Williamson County Livestock Association

Meeting Minutes

2/28/22

Call to order

Brad Noack called to order the Executive meeting of the Williamson County Livestock Association at 7:10 P.M February 28, 2022 at Texas Agrilife Training Room, Williamson County Extension.

Roll call

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

Guests: Shelley Franklin and Heather Faske.

Financial Report: Bancorp - \$57,713.65

R Bank - \$897,039.39

Committee Reports:

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 15, 2022.

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
- Goat Judge – Sierra Nauman
- Lamb Judge – Taylor Osbourn (if available)
- Poultry Judge – Micah Osburn
- Cattle – Brandon Callis (if available)

- Swine – TBD
- Breeding Swine – TBD

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 be 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.

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

Awards -

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

Youth Fair -

Request youth fair committee setup help for fundraiser April 23, 2022

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.

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

Junior Steering Committee -

No Report

Legal

No Report

ShoWorks

No Report

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

Spring Fundraiser April 23, 2022 at Williamson County Expo Hall

M) Audit

No Report

4-H Report

No Report

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

Discuss 2022 show schedule. Sun-Thurs show, barn teardown Friday, auction Saturday. Draft new show schedule.

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

B. Fundraiser/Sponsorship/Auction Committee - Chairmen Colby Doherty, Blake Henderson

C. 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).

Discuss judges for 2022 show to start checking availability and get confirmations.

Need to call Rusty Morgan regarding scale that was won and donated to WCLA that was never received.

Discuss awards for 2022. Need buckles for fundraiser for the species buckle sponsors. Look at 2022 awards as well.

Discuss fundraiser game items to purchase. Design poker chips for poker chip games, order 2 sets.

Discussed updated total and still consolidating and receiving funds from buyers from he 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.

- 1) Issue tickets for spring fundraiser to start selling.

New Business

When do we anticipate cutting checks? Hopefully in the next two weeks.

Richard Sells made a motion to have a Wether Dam & Wether Doe show for the 2022 WCLA show, but the placings for this show will be ineligible for the Sale. Paul Boff 2nd. Motion passed 6 – 5.

Scholarship application ready to post and/or send out April 15th postmark deadline.

Set Show Schedule for publishing and distribution for 2022 WCLA Show. Times subject to change

Discuss need to revisit rules for clarification on some items and update breeding show(s) rules. Would like to have 2022 show rules finalized in March meeting.

Discuss judges for 2022 show and availability and get verbal confirmations.

Discuss awards for 2022 show, need to design designated buckle for species buckle sponsors.

Spring fundraiser:

- a) Discuss WCYF help with spring fundraiser decorating.
- b) Discuss food and catering issues for spring fundraiser.
- c) Discuss possible auction items for spring fundraiser.

Nomination committee submission of nominees for election to WCLA Board of Directors.

Dustin Davidson nominated by Kyle Kokel for the NE quadrant.

Brad Adams nominated by Clint Widmer for the SW Quadrant.

Colby Doherty nominated by Matt Suchomel for the SE Quadrant.

Matt Suchomel nominated by Colby Doherty for the At Large position.

Motion to adjourn made by Colby Doherty, seconded by Clint Widmer, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Brad Noack