

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION'S
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2011**

President Jay Harbin called the meeting of the Williamson County Livestock Association's Board of Directors to order at 7:30 p.m. Directors absent from the meeting were Tom Ingalsbe, Tom Clapper, Jimmy Vick, Tim Sims, and John Hert

The minutes were read from the September meeting and approved with one correction. All directors present received copies of the minutes.

Trisha Turner was unable to attend the meeting so copies of the financial report were not available.

Old Business:

It was reported that 408 hogs, 181 lambs and 325 goats were tagged in for the county show this year. 68 steers were validated in June. 1044 market entries and 24 heifer entries were submitted.

President Harbin asked all of the superintendents to contact their judges and classifiers to confirm their commitment to our show and find out if rooms are needed for them.

Brian Turner gave a report on the camper parking. Plenty of general parking spaces are still available.

With Tim Sims unable to make the meeting, no report was given on the Gala. President Harbin stated that all directors should meet at the Old Settlers Inn in Round Rock on Friday evening at 5 p.m. to set up. President Harbin asked everyone to keep selling tickets since plenty are still available.

New Business:

Vo Ag Teacher from Liberty Hill, Mike Rempe, presented a request to the Board of Directors. He has a student that moved into his school district from Burnet County after our validation date. The student would like to late validate and show his goats at the Williamson County Show. The goats were purchased in mid August. After some questions and a brief discussion, President Harbin stated that the board will meet in executive session after the regular meeting and make a decision on this request. He will notify the family on the outcome of the Board of Director's decision.

Wayne Shero informed the board of directors that our website is too hard to add to, or find items on the site. He requested that the website be redesigned which should include a constant contact page. He also stated that this website could be redesigned by Rusty Bryson for a charge of \$700. An invoice was submitted to the WCLA from Rusty Bryson for a fee of \$1200. This included \$500 for the updating and general maintenance

of the website for 2011 and the \$700 for the redesign. After some discussion, Lance Loerwald moved, seconded by Joe Leopold, to pay Rusty the \$500 for the yearly maintenance fee and table the redesign until January. The motion passed.

Discussion surfaced on the hospitality tent. With Tom Clapper absent from the meeting, Wayne Shero reported that no plans have been made. This item was postponed until the November meeting.

Discussion followed on the Appreciation Dinner to be held at the Georgetown Community Center on Saturday, January 14, 2012. Suggestions were made by David Bryson, Jean Langley, Lance Loerwald and others on how invitations should be made, how RSVP's should be handled, either by email, phone messages, facebook, phone calls, etc. With no final decision on how this will be handled, the meeting moved on to the next agenda item.

President Harbin asked if anyone has anything to include for the November agenda, please let him know. Some of the items for the November agenda will be planning the details for the show, bids for wood shavings, weigh back logistics. Jodie Wolf stated that the four portable toilets have been ordered and will be delivered the weekend before the show. The steer tent has also been ordered and will be set up Friday or Saturday prior to the show.

Committee Reports:

Fund Raising Committer Report – No report – Tim and Chris Sims were unable to attend the meeting. They were attending the show at the State Fair of Texas.

Auction Committee Report – No report. Scheduled for November meeting.

Vo Ag Steering Committee – Committee Chairperson, David Bryson, reported that a meeting was held with the Vo Ag Teachers and he feels positive steps have been made to close the communication gaps between the Board of Directors and the teachers. He stated that the VoAg teachers liked the current website and also that some of the directors attended this meeting. Some concerns arose on how the money will be used from the Gala. It was reported again that the committee will make recommendations to the Board of Directors and the directors will make the final decision on the distribution of the funds. Mr. Bryson reported that the Ag teachers will hold another meeting after the stock show, hosted by Janie Pluenneke from Leander High School.

The last item to be presented was a letter read by Jodie Wolf. The letter stated that after over 25 years serving as a director, officer or executive secretary with the Williamson County Livestock Association, effective January 1, 2012, he will be resigning as the Executive Secretary.

With no other business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Executive Session:

After some discussion on the request to late validate two goats for the Liberty Hill student at moved in from Burnet County, the Board of Directors voted to uphold rule 36 which states no modifications will be made to the rules. The request was denied. President Harbin will notify the family of this decision.

President – Jay Harbin

Executive Secretary – Jodie Wolf