

**Latah County 4-H Livestock Leaders Meeting  
November 25, 2019**

**Leaders Present:** Nancy Richmond and Cathy Calcagno-Williams (Mountain View), Jennifer Ashmead and Stephanie Fletcher (Country Kids), Edie Simons and Tammi Johnson (FMBE), Anita Falen (Genesee 4-H Club), Debbie Lawrence (Moscow Mustangs), Kym Fredrickson and Tina Bass (Troy Farmhands), Jeremy Falk (Golden Go-4s), and Brandi Griffin (Jr. Farmers).

**Extension Present:** Sara Fluer

**Fairgrounds Rep Present:** Jim Logan

Meeting was called to order by Tammi Johnson at 6:01 PM. Roll call was made by passing around the sign-in sheet.

**Minutes:** Read and approved with corrections. Nancy made the motion, Edie seconded.

**Correspondence:** None

**Latah County Market Animal Sale Report:** Fair Premium checks have been mailed, if a 4-H member's check hasn't been received, please contact Brandi. Brandi is holding some FFA checks until their advisor informs her that all record books have been completed.

**Old Business:**

- Nothing new to report on the Animal Load-out discussion by the Fair Board.
- The Herdsman Award is still missing. Tammi will look into it further; Sara will look at the Rules and into possibly purchasing a new Award as the old one seems to be lost.

**New Business:**

- Jeremy asked about installing a backdrop of some sort at the Fair for member/public pictures. Jim mentioned that the Fair Board would have to approve the location of the backdrop. Tammi will investigate costs of a vinyl banner for our next meeting.
- Jeremy asked to combine the FFA and 4-H classes at the Fair to achieve **one** top animal award. Jim mentioned that an MMU exists that clearly defines the separation of FFA and 4-H. Jim also mentioned that the entire Fair Book would have to be re-done if these groups were combined. Further discussion is needed by the Fair Board, LMAS, and Leaders Council.
- Officer elections were held:  
Tammi – Chair  
Nancy – Vice Chair  
Jennifer – Secretary  
Stephanie made the motion to accept the officer appointments, Cathy seconded. Motion passed.

Next meeting January 27, 2020 @ 6:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn was made by Stephanie, Jennifer seconded. Motion passed - meeting adjourned @ 6.28 pm.

**Latah County 4-H Livestock Leaders Meeting  
January 27, 2020**

**Leaders Present:** Nancy Richmond (Mountain View), Jennifer Ashmead and Stephanie Fletcher (Country Kids), Edie Simons, Shane Minden, and Tammi Johnson (FMBE), Anita Falen (Genesee 4-H Club), Debbie Lawrence (Moscow Mustangs), Barb Jaworski and Tina Bass (Troy Farmhands), Brandi Griffin (Jr. Farmers).

**Extension Present:** Sara Fluer

**Fairgrounds Rep Present:** Jim Logan

Meeting was called to order by Tammi Johnson at 6:12 PM. Roll call was made by passing around the sign-in sheet.

**Minutes:** Read and approved. Tina made the motion, Nancy seconded.

**Correspondence:** None

**Latah County Market Animal Sale Report:** Nothing new to report- next LMAS meeting in February.

**Old Business:**

- Nothing new to report on the Animal Load-out situation. The Fair will not close earlier than 5 PM. It was discussed to possibly move un-decorating of stalls to the weekend following the Fair but not sure how many clubs would do that. LMAS is asking for more volunteers to assist during load out to help ease the chaos and protect the public from vehicles.
- Herdsman Award – Tammi will price a new banner. Sara will add an announcement in the 4-H Newsletter on criteria and to encourage clubs to participate. Sara will also work with Barn Supervisors to make the daily winner during the Fair.
- It was voted and approved to purchase two photo backdrop banners for approx. \$45 each (This will be a Leader's Council expense and voted on during that meeting as well). Stephanie made the motion, Edie seconded. The Fair Board will also need to approve the location of the backdrops.

**New Business:** None

Next meeting March 23, 2020 @ 6:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn was made by Nancy, Stephanie seconded. Motion passed - meeting adjourned @ 6.52 pm.

**LATAH COUNTY LIVESTOCK LEADERS**  
**MARCH 2020 MEETING CANCELED DUE TO COVID-19**

**Latah County 4-H Livestock Leaders (Zoom) Meeting  
May 18, 2020**

**Leaders Present:** Nancy Richmond, Heather Rheingas, and Leslie Sprouse (Mountain View), Jennifer Ashmead and Stephanie Fletcher (Country Kids), Edie Simons and Tammi Johnson (FMBE), Anita Falen (Genesee 4-H Club), Debbie Lawrence (Moscow Mustangs), Brandi Griffin(Jr. Farmers), Kym Fredrickson and Tina Bass (Troy Farmhands), Kim Monk, Andrew Saralecos, and SheilAnn Smith (Cow Creek Kids).

**Extension Present:** Sara Fluer

**Fairgrounds Rep Present:** Jim Logan

Meeting was called to order by Tammi Johnson at 6:05 PM. Roll call was made via Zoom check-in. Meeting was recorded.

**Minutes:** Read and approved. Tina made the motion, Nancy seconded.

**Correspondence:** None

**Latah County Market Animal Sale Report:** Meeting was held in February, cancelled for March. Brandi wanted to ensure that the Floater Policy was very well publicized to members to alleviate potential issues. Sara will include the policy in the next Newsletter.

**Old Business:**

- Herdsman Award – Need follow up at our next meeting by Tammi.
- Tammi will also report at our next meeting on the banners for the picture backdrops.

**New Business:**

- Round Robin Committee - Stephanie presented the changes to the Round Robin contest rules. After some discussion and clarification, the updated rules were voted on. The major change in the rules is to allow Junior exhibitors to participate. Motion to accept the updated rules was made by Jennifer and seconded by Kim, motion passed. Will present the updated rules to Leader's Council for approval. Please see updated rules attached below.
- Possession/Weigh-in dates are as follows:
  - Swine - June 1st - Leaders to have member report turned into Sara by June 7th
  - Beef - June 6th - U of I Monson Barn
  - Sheep - July 6th - Fair Grounds
- Jim reported that the Fair is still a go. He and the Fair Board are working on contingency plans as needed to align with State, County, and City mandates. More details forthcoming. All Fair Forms are due August 1st. Please advise members to complete.
- Kim inquired on what Latah County would do if the Whitman County Fair was cancelled. Per Fair regulations, exhibitors must be enrolled and paid with either 4-H or FFA in Latah County to participate in the Fair. Sara has also been in contact with the Whitman Cty Extension - they will make every effort to help their members. Latah County should not have any Whitman Cty members entering our Fair.

Next meeting July 27, 2020 @ 6:00 pm. Motion to adjourn was made by Stephanie, Nancy seconded. Motion passed - meeting adjourned @ 6.53 pm.

## Latah County 4-H and FFA Large Animal Round Robin Contest

1. 4-H participants in the Round Robin Contest must be 8 years old by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the fair year.
  2. There will be a maximum of 2 showman per species.
  3. 4-H and FFA will be judged separately.
  4. The Grand Champion Showmen for the following species will be eligible for the Round Robin Contest: Beef, Dairy, Goat, Sheep, Swine, and Horse. Excludes Pack Goat.
  5. If the Grand Champion Showman chooses not to participate, the eligibility will then go to the Reserve Showman for the species, and if needed to the Bronze Showman for the species. The horse Showmen will give notification by August 1<sup>st</sup> if they will or will not participate. Written refusal form will be provided by the Extension office.
  6. If a showman is eligible to participate in the Round Robin competition with more than one species, the showman must declare one species. The species declined shall have its representation determined by rule #5. Should a showman who is a dual-member of both 4-H and FFA qualify with two different species, they are eligible to participate in the contest with both species.
  7. All eligible participants will begin the contest by showing their own animal and rotate clockwise. If barn superintendent, 4-H Extension personnel, FFA advisor, or Horse Leader feel an animal is being stressed they will decide the replacement animal(s).
  8. Each species will be shown for 7 minutes. Each Showman will show all species, using correct showmanship techniques for each. All competitors will be showing at the same time.
  9. Animals will be shown in a central arena, if possible. Fair management is responsible for arena set up.
  10. There will be 1 (one) judge for each species, someone not from our county, is preferred. The judge(s) will have knowledge about the species and the correct way that species is to be shown. A volunteer will hold animals when participants rotate. The volunteer will be selected by management.
  11. The judge(s) will score the Showman on a scale of 1 to 10. One being the lowest and ten being the highest. Showman with the highest total points after showing all species will be the Overall Grand Champion. Two (2) awards will be given out, 1 (one) to 4-H and 1 (one) to FFA. Awards purchased and provided by the Fair board.
  12. Showman will be judged Olympic style: Meaning individuals are scored against their own ability, they are not judged against the other showman.
  13. The judge may ask the exhibitors to switch animals during the course of each species being shown.
  14. In case of a tie, the Showman will be given a question by the judge, on any species shown during the contest. Exhibitors will have 30 seconds to answer the question.
  15. A Showman may participate in the Round Robin Contest each year they qualify.
  16. The judge's decision is final.
- Created by the 4-H Round Robin Contest Committee Nov 25, 2013. Revised May 2020.

**Latah County 4-H Livestock Leaders (Zoom) Meeting  
July 27, 2020**

**Leaders Present:** Nancy Richmond, Kim Fien (Mountain View), Jennifer Ashmead and Stephanie Fletcher (Country Kids), Edie Simons and Tammi Johnson (FMBE), Anita Falen (Genesee 4-H Club), Shane Minden (Jr. Farmers), Kym Fredrickson and Tina Bass (Troy Farmhands), Kim Monk and SheilAnn Smith (Cow Creek Kids).

**Extension Present:** Sara Fluer

**Fairgrounds Rep Present:** Jim Logan

Meeting was called to order by Tammi Johnson at 6:01 PM. Roll call was made via Zoom check-in. Meeting was recorded.

**Minutes:** Read and approved. Stephanie made the motion, Kim Monk seconded.

**Correspondence:** None

**Latah County Market Animal Sale Report:** No one from LMAS present for a report. Jim mentioned that the sale will take place outside in the Sheep Arena and LMAS is also trying to incorporate an online component. August 3<sup>rd</sup> is the next meeting. Kim asked if proxy buyers would be allowed, need LMAS to confirm.

**Old Business:**

- Herdsman Award – Tammy reported two sponsors for the Award: R & R Saddle & Switch and the Tammy Johnson Family (THANK YOU). Wording on the award will be “Top Daily Herdsmanship Award”. The award is for the whole barn, not per club. Parameters are cleanliness, presentation, education materials, and relating to the public. This year will be different due to the nature of the Fair as all barns will be closed during the show and clubs will be encouraged not to decorate. Judges will be chosen by Sara. Kim would like Sara to add to the newsletter in early August to go over the rules and the award parameters.
- Tammi still working on the banners for pictures. 2 x 4 = \$12.94, 4 x 6 = \$30.81 plus shipping and handling. She will get with Sara on the use of the 4H logo. We are still a go for these banners at the Fair per Jim.

**New Business:**

- Sara reported on the weigh-in report (4H & FFA): Market Beef = 38, Sheep =19, Market Goats = 10, Swine = 173
- Masks are mandated in Latah County, therefore required during the Fair. Please get the word out for families to come prepared as the County will not provide masks.
- New Fair theme: “A Fair Like No Other”. Forms are still due August 1<sup>st</sup>. Jim needs to know ASAP and will still enforce the \$25.00 late fee. Fair Board meeting on August 3<sup>rd</sup> to report on numbers. Jim will offer refunds if the Fair is cancelled. Online payment is quicker for refunds than check payment. Jim also reported that the Fair has lost quite a bit of revenue this year (year-to-date loss of revenue of \$75,000.00) and are actively seeking sponsorship – pdf form can be found on the website.
- Jim reported that 56 new swine pens have arrived and the entrance into the wash racks (Beef and Swine) is being redone.
- Audience will be limited to families of members showing in the Swine Arena as the show will take place in the barn and not outside. Please ask extended family to stay home. It was suggested to move the sheep inside and move the swine outside based on swine/sheep numbers. Jim will discuss this at the next Fair Board meeting.
- Camper parking set for Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> – first come, first served.
- The middle swine pens still need to be put together for shelves and backing for stall cards.
- Sara does not feel comfortable holding the Livestock Judging Contest, it will be cancelled for this year and the county requirement will be waived. Stephanie asked Kim about the tie breaker for County Awards – will need to use something different, perhaps record books. Will need to be discussed further.
- Tina asked about barn duty expectations in the Sheep/Goat barn. It was discussed that this is a barn superintendent duty and each barn is different. The sheep/goat barn has a sign-up sheet for duty – for the entire barn, not per club. Jim mentioned a meeting with the barn super during Fair to clear up confusion.

Next meeting September 28, 2020 @ 6:00 pm. Motion to adjourn was made by Nancy, Stephanie seconded. Motion passed - meeting adjourned @ 7:02 pm.

**Latah County 4-H Livestock Leaders Meeting  
September 28, 2020**

**Leaders Present:** Nancy Richmond (Mountain View), Jennifer Ashmead (Country Kids), Edie Simons and Tammi Johnson (FMBE), Anita Falen and Barbara Ray (Genesee 4-H Club), Tina Bass (Troy Farmhands).

**Extension Present:** Sara Fluer

**Fairgrounds Rep Present:** Jim Logan

Meeting was called to order by Tammi Johnson at 5:58 PM. Roll call was made by passing around the sign-in sheet.

**Minutes:** Read and approved with corrections. Tina made the motion, Nancy seconded.

**Correspondence:** None

**Latah County Market Animal Sale Report:** No one from LMAS present for a report. Tammi felt the auction went well despite some misunderstanding on closing times and would have liked the option to pay with a credit card.

**Old Business:**

- Herdsman Award – Tammi would like to add a banner for each day's award and will continue to work on fundraising for this.
- There was an issue with the banners and Tammi had to order at the last minute from Staples. Tammi requested and received a \$100 reimbursement. The pig banner needs to be mounted on a board to easily move from pen to pen. The sheep/beef banner was secured on the side of the building with magnets and could easily be lowered for pictures. Thank you – they turned out great!

**New Business:**

- Fair 2020:
  - Total of 234 members completed for a total of 273 projects. This number is down from previous years.
  - Round Robin: went great, nice format, completed in under 1 hr.
  - Concern was raised on show attire. Sara will communicate in newsletter and to leaders the expectation. However, monitoring would not be a practical use of resources and very open to interpretation. Dress code is enforced only for the safety aspect of members at this time.
- The swine barn superintendent requested a list of club leaders/project leaders and phone numbers to have during the Fair in case of emergency in the barn. Sara was instructed to give this info out to all barn supers as this is a good practice.
- The Dairy show was held September 27<sup>th</sup> at the U of I parking lot. 4 members participated.
- U of I will be hosting a Virtual Carcass Contest the week of October 19<sup>th</sup>. Sara will communicate more details as they become available to members/leaders.
- There was some confusion (and heated argument) on scrapie tags between a parent and the barn super. Issue is now resolved. Sara does not want barn supers to deal with angry parents – wants them to direct the issue to either the Fair Board or herself.

Next meeting November 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:00 pm. Motion to adjourn was made by Barbara, Edie seconded. Motion passed - meeting adjourned @ 6:35 pm.