

Leader's Meeting
September 19, 2009
Farm Bureau Board Room

Call to Order
Flag Salute/4-H Pledge
Roll Call/Introductions

- I. Old Business
 - a. Leader's Training (Carol George)
 - i. October 24 at IVC
 - ii. A list of presenters is being compiled
 - b. Other Fair News
 - i. Fair is asking for registration papers to be submitted by December 21-except for horse and beef. The deadline for small animals is December 29.
 - ii. Fair offices will be closed the week of December 25 to the first week of January.
 - iii. Fair recommendations
 1. Darrel Bostic presented the Fair Board's voting results on the Leader recommendations
 - a. All recommendations were approved except for the following:
 - i. #2-Fair Board voted "no". Buyers baskets will be allowed-Ethics training should cover what items are appropriate and which items are not appropriate for 4-H members to be giving their buyers.
 - ii. #8-Breeding heifers will not be allowed to leave the fairgrounds on Monday.
 - iii. #11-The hoof trimming in the swine premium book will be left in.
 - iv. #13-Sheep hoof trimming rule will be left in the premium book.
 - b. The following items are under review by the Fair Board:
 - i. #6-Dog show changes listed in March 19th minutes.
 - ii. #14-4-H Sheep Market and Showmanship to be completed before F.F.A start showing.
 - iii. #20-Horse changes posted in previous minutes.
 - c. Regarding item #7
 - i. The beef show will not be moved to Saturday
 - ii. A time will be set aside for animals to use the ring for exercise to eliminate animals from going lame. Times will be posted for ring use.
 2. Ethics Training
 - a. Ethics training will be mandatory for all animal exhibitors before they can show at the fair. Ethics training motto is, "No go, no show".
 - b. Fair Board will probably supply the meeting area, and 4-H office will supply Power Point equipment.
 - c. Lynee Pacheco and Carol George have attended Ethics training at the State Conference

- i. Some leaders questioned whether they still needed to attend training if they attended training previously offered by Mr. Mohamed.
 - ii. Judy Tagg questioned whether trainings could happen at the club level.
 - d. Ethics training offered by Lynee and Carol will probably last no longer than an hour.
 - e. Dates of possible training days:
 - i. 4-H BBQ and/or Field Days
 - ii. Other dates to be announced
 - iii. December 12
 - iv. At a small animal meeting
 - 1. Use one meeting for rabbits, cavies, chickens, goats, *etc.*, as a date for ethics training
 - f. Verification of Attendance
 - i. All members will be given a card verifying that they completed the training with a number assigned to each card.
 - ii. Card number must be submitted to the fair office with registration papers.
- 3. Knowledge Bowl
 - a. Fair Board approves and supports this activity
 - b. Fair Board would like to create a prize, like a scholarship, for winners of this competition
 - c. Would be available to only 4-H
 - i. Clubs would like to create multiple teams; Junior and Senior teams.
 - ii. Possible multiple date competition, ending with a final at the fairgrounds.
- 4. DNA Checks
 - a. Mandatory on all large animals (steer, calf, swine, lamb).
 - b. Kits will be given to leaders when they pick up ear tags.
 - i. Kits will be require hair samples from animals.
 - ii. Random samples will be pulled at scales during weigh-ins.
 - iii. All champion animals will have a mandatory DNA check.
 - iv. Results from test take only 24 hours to receive.
- 5. Fair Dates
 - a. February 26-March 7
 - b. Fair books ready in about 3 weeks.
 - c. Fair theme: "Sea Level and Under...Explore our Valley's Wonders"
- 6. Foundation and Auction News
 - a. All money cleared as of July 1st
 - b. 1 check still unpaid
- c. Voting Representatives
 - i. One voting representative
 - ii. One alternate voting representative

II. New Business

- a. Club Inventory
 - i. Clubs are required to submit inventory lists
 - ii. All materials on the list should be shared amongst the members of the club.
- b. Equipment Sale
 - i. Mary Harmon suggested an equipment sale to allow members to sell personal equipment no longer needed and for other members to buy items that they need.
 - ii. It was suggested that a "Swap Meet" be set up at the 4-H BBQ.
- c. Livestock Final Purchase Date
 - i. 120 day tag date-October 30th for Steer and Horses
 - ii. 60 day tag date-December 29th for all small animals and swine, sheep, and goat.
 - 1. Fair is asking for paper work to be submitted to the office by December 21st as the office will be closed for the holidays.
- d. Enrollment Deadline is set for November 1, 2009

III. 4-H Advisor Report

- a. Home vs. Host Club
 - i. Members should enroll under their community club at the fair even though they meet with another club for their project (rabbits and chickens used as example).
 - ii. Mary Harmon suggested that members ask permission before they show up at another club's meeting.
- b. Dress Code
 - i. Code applies to all activities at the fair grounds
 - ii. The 4-H office is asking 4-Hers to dress accordingly, including hair and piercings
 - iii. Show respect at shows and auction
 - 1. 4-Her should not draw attention to themselves, but to their project.
 - 2. 4-Hers should not be wearing brightly colored boots, hats, or wigs.
 - iv. An improved handout on the dress code will be made available for clubs as the one included in the Intercom was difficult to read.
- c. New Policy Manual
 - i. Available at www.ca4h.org
 - ii. Website is user friendly and makes answering policy questions easier.
- d. Endorsements
 - i. 4-H office is not endorsing any animal sales by specific buyers.
 - ii. 4-H office agreed to put out flyers supplied by breeders/sellers.
- e. Clover Safe Notes
 - i. Website is <http://safety.ucaur.org/4h>
- f. Livestock CDs
 - i. Available through Dr. Richard Coffey at Richard.Coffey@uky.edu
 - ii. CDs contain information on breeds, colors, judging classes, etc.
 - iii. Great for 4-Hers with large animals.

Meeting called to end.

Next Leader Meeting: October 15, 2009