

LIVESTOCK MEETING
September 16, 2010

Jay Morrison officiated over the meeting. All present introduced themselves, and the meeting got underway.

CB started the fair debriefing with a comment that he really enjoyed the auction this year that is was a lot less work, and brought back some of the old time fair feel back into the auction. He would like to continue to see the outside auction continue. Jay agreed that a lot less work was involved at least with the pigs as they did not have to travel as far. Some of the comments from the buyers that were heard was that they did not like to see the pigs split in two, the stands were pretty crowded, and they would like to see the auction end prior to the rodeo starting. There were several comments on the crowding and lack of shaded area at the Buyers BBQ this year, also how we could schedule members in such a way that the buyers would be served in a courteous manner without being pestered by the sheer number of kids there. Some of the ideas being discussed are to start a breakfast instead of a luncheon, or to do the Beef prior to the lunch, and then follow the lunch with the rest of the animals. A suggestions was made to have a few of the options sent out to the buyers and get their input and preferences. There were some questions about the splitting of the reds and blues during the auction and wondered if this might have had an effect on the buyers leaving during the last part of the auction. Anyone having any concerns or suggestions for the auction or the BBQ is invited to the auction meeting that will occur on October 5th at 6:00 at the Extension office. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can call or email Candi or anyone involved in the Auction Committee. They are in the process of redoing the way that this will all work as the Kiwanis will no longer be in charge of the Auction. Pam Cyrus brought up that there were only a couple of hours between the championship class in showmanship in the Sheep barn and the beginning of the Master Showmanship. Most liked the Master Showmanship on Friday evening as it is easier to attend without the preparations for the BBQ going on, but all agreed that it is not fair for the Sheep kids not to have time to prepare for the Masters competition. A suggestion was made to switch the Showmanship with either the breeding or the market show. This will be brought to the

attention of Bob and Shari Marler, who were not able to attend the meeting.

Jay gave a reminder that the Advancement requirement for livestock will be progress being made of at least 4 elements, not steps, they do not have to be in the same step. This will meet the requirements.

Remember the Juniper Jackpot which will be June 4th this year. We need lots of participation if we are to continue with this show. Also anyone willing is encouraged to donate to the silent auction. A suggestion that we make more announcements during the show with explanations on what the silent auction is and how the money is to be used, where it is located, and other such information. It was agreed that this was a good idea and we would make it happen.

Idea Fair is scheduled for February 19th this year. A couple of suggestions for classes would be a State Fair prep class with time lines, info packets, how and where to sign up, and possibly scheduling a pre-State Fair meeting for all those that are headed that way. Judy agreed to get some of the previous kids together and give a Q and A for just that, along with sign up packets and other info that will be available. Alec Carter suggested a fly-tying class, he would like to attend. It was also suggested that anyone with any class suggestions please get them to the Extension office.

CB wanted to verify that all the barns were making sure that the registered animals were identified in the same way as the papers, There was a problem with one of the cattle that had papers but was not tattooed. He was wondering if the non-registered animals, or the crossbreds should count for High Point. All comments given was that the other barns allowed the non-registered, crossbred, or AOB to count the same as the registered stock.

With not other items on the list and the hour getting late the meeting was adjourned.