

Fallon County 4-H Livestock Meeting Minutes October 14, 2009

The Fallon County Livestock Meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Kirschten with Sharon Schwartz, Leslie Gray, Cindy Irgens, Faye Koenig, Kaylin Wheeler, Quentin Wheeler, Nicole Wheeler, Norton Walker, Kevin Dukart, Nico Cantalupo, Lexyn Walker, Marvel Murphy, Roddy Rost and Gary Irgens attending.

The minutes from the July 1, 2009 meeting were read by Mark Kirschten. Norton moved to approve the minutes and Kevin seconded. The motion was voted on and carried.

Discussion was held concerning the limiting of sale animals. The economics of the project was discussed as having a bigger impact on the sale than the economics of the community. The committee decided to wait another year before discussing this topic again.

Nico gave a quick carcass report stating that all animals graded better on average than previous years, especially swine. Youth will receive their SOM and SOE certificates at Achievement Night.

Nico reported that the joint 4-H/FFA group decided on a maximum age for showing and selling Market Animals. Youth must be enrolled in 4-H and/or FFA, enrolled in high school the semester prior to showing the animal and be not older than 19 at the beginning of the current 4-H year.

The livestock committee discussed the time to have animal stalls/pens be cleaned each morning of the fair. It was decided the stalls/pens should be cleaned by 7:45 am and that 7:00 am is just too early.

The unloading of beef animals in the paneled show ring upon arriving at the Fallon County Fair was unanimously approved. Discussion included that calm animals would be led from the show pen to their stalls and animals needing to calm down would be given time then evaluated.

Many options of a show schedule and location for rabbits & poultry were discussed. No decisions were made at this time and Paul Berger 's input and approval is needed before any can be made.

Election of officers for the 2009-10 4-H year was held. The results are as follows:

Chairman	>	Mark Kirschten
Vice-Chairman	>	Norton Walker
Secretary	>	Nicole Wheeler

Norton moved to adjourn the meeting and Kaylin seconded. Motion was voted on and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Schwartz
Fallon/Carter 4-H Assistant