

# LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE Minutes

May 20, 2025

## Pledges

## Introductions

Bobette Lyyski, Amy Alder, Roylene Crawford, Rachel George, Kyle Nicholson, Dick Wedin, Aimee Hanson, Erin Tostenson, Becky Carollo, Steve Russell, Kara Stein, Kylie Rinehart, Shannon Basterrechea, Mark Crowley, Taylor Jarman

## Minutes

Erin moves to approve, Shannon seconds, motion passes.

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### Beef Project:

*Beef Fair Judge: Kaylee Kerbs (158 days)*

ALL Youth Enrollment, estimated:

Beef Market: **58** (51 youth) (52 last yr)

Beef Breeding: **14**

Mini Beef: **11**

- Beef pre-show 2026 will be March 21<sup>st</sup> 2026 and either share fairgrounds with BCH Randevouz or utilize another location (if other location may not be an actual pre-show). Bobette will discuss with Kady and update.

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### Dairy Project:

*Dairy Fair Judge: Melissa Leatherman*

Dairy Project: **7** (4 youth last yr)

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### Goat Project:

*Goat Pre-Show – June 7<sup>th</sup> (81 days)*

Goat Market: **36** (24 youth last yr)

*Goat Pre-Show Judge: Rod Cool*

Pygmy/Novelty Goat: **12**

*Goat Fair Judge: Alyx Cory will not be fair judge due to selling animals within the county, will help find a fair judge.*

- Pre-Show Request for excusal:
  - Lena Zapel
    - Kyle moves to approve all excusal requests, Dick seconds, motion passes.
- **Leaders please remind members to bring copy of animal health records**

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### Sheep Project:

*Sheep Pre-Show – June 7<sup>th</sup> (81 days)*

Sheep Market: **67** (49 youth last yr)

*Sheep Pre-Show Judge: Bailey Weeks*

Sheep Breeding: **13**

*Sheep Fair Judge: Kaylee Kerbs*

- Pre-Show Request for excusal:
  - Taylor Alder, Allison Alder, Skylee Seth
    - Kyle moves to approve all excusal requests, Dick seconds, motion passes.
- **Leaders please remind members to bring copy of animal health records**

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### Swine Project:

*Swine Weigh In & Clinic – June 8<sup>th</sup> (80 days)*

Swine Market: **117** (140 youth last yr)

*Swine Fair Judge: Matt Kennedy*

Swine Breeding:

- Pre-Show Request for excusal:
  - Carli Gay, Tom Jarman
    - Kyle moves to approve all excusal requests, Dick seconds, motion passes.
- **Leaders please remind members to bring copy of animal health records and to bring clean animals**

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### Other Business:

- **EP 14 Training – quick 5-10 min training on youth safety from WSU. Please complete it ASAP**
- Discussion about options for sick animals and pre-show – discussed that request can be made to leader/superintendent to have animal weighed/tagged at home, or have animal tagged only and not participate on contests that require pre-fair weight.
  - Would like to put this information in writing for future pre-show reminders/policy in hopes to lessen sick animals coming in.

- Suggestion from a 4-H member for Fair Sprit Week for all Grange/FFA/4-H members
  - Could potentially count percentage of participants per group – prize/treat available Monday
  - Leaders please gauge interest of club members

### **FFA Report:**

- Kittitas FFA: 7 attended state in Ag sales, Job interview, and Ag education competitions – congratulations to Lillianna McGuffin for placing 3<sup>rd</sup> in Ag ed!
- Ellensburg FFA: State attendees include 2 marketing teams, public speaking, and meats placed 5<sup>th</sup> in state.
- Cle Elum FFA: State attendee in extemporaneous speaking

### **Grange Report:**

- June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 10:00 am: Sheep Clinic at 631 McCullough Rd contact Shannon w/ questions 509-201-0489
  - Fitting, working with lambs/bracing, judging class.

### **Fair & Sale Report:**

- Aiming for exhibitors guide to go live first week of June – get dept changes in ASAP (by May 28<sup>th</sup>)
- Steve Russell looking for volunteers who can help with getting accurate “This animal purchased by” cards out on sale day – looking for approximately 10 (ideally a couple volunteers per species)
- FOF and council will join together to pay for new panels that surround show/sale rings – each donated \$8,000.
- Kyle N talked with Kady about electrical issues in sheep barn and got bids from some local electricians – Kady wants bid into commissioners by June.
  - Let Kyle know if you need anything barn specific.
    - Suggestion for PA system – would be great for communication for showing, public education, and also in the case of emergency.

### **Announcements:**

Meeting adjourned at: 8:03

### **2025 Livestock Dates**

Next 4-H Council Meeting – May 27<sup>th</sup>

Sheep & Goat Pre-Show – June 7<sup>th</sup>

Swine Weigh-In & Clinic – June 8<sup>th</sup>

State Livestock Judging Contest, Moses Lake – June 28<sup>th</sup>

Theme: **Ewe Ain’t Seen Nothin’ Yet!**

Next Livestock Committee Meeting: **June 17<sup>th</sup>**