

LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 17, 2026

Pledges

Introductions

Bobette Lyyski, Mark Crowley, Amy Alder, Josh Cox, Erin Tostenson, Shannon Basterrechea, Aimee Hanson, Tim Case, Nick Clerf, Charlie McIntosh, Taylor Jarman (+ Tom & Boyd Jarman), Bob Eddings, Becky Corollo, Steve Russell, Diana Tasker, Matt Barsness, Julie Schutte, Kylie Rinehart, Rachel George, Breyson Makay (+ parents)

Minutes Bobette moved to approve, Steve seconded, motion passes

FFA Presentation – Breyson Makay

Cattlemen's Choice Award – Tim Case

- Would like to add in an additional opportunity for members to show animals born and bred in county. Criteria will be members must have a cost sheet and be born/bred in county, and will be a no fit, no wash show. Animals will be judged on rate of gain, cost of gain, confirmation, grade (if this info available), and knowledge question).
- \$1,500 cash prize, plaque, buckle, recognition in the paper and invitation and recognition at the Cattlemen's banquet.
- Potentially looking at Sunday afternoon, this activity will need to be presented to and approved by Fairboard.

Beef Project:

Beef Pre-Show – March 21st (165 days)
Beef Pre-Fair Judge: Brynna Wilson
Beef Fair Judge: Dakota David

4-H & Eburg FFAYouth Enrollment Only:

Beef Market: **42**
Beef Breeding: 12
Mini Beef:

- Pre-show
 - 7:00 am: Weigh-in begins
 - 9:00 am: Parent exhibitor meeting
 - 9:15 am: Judging
 - Market and fitting and showing classes to follow immediately after judging
- Equipment can be brought in Friday 3/20 after 5:00 pm – make sure to clean Bloom Pavilion prior to leaving
- Water will not be on – please plan to wash animal beforehand
- Please plan to have two drivers in rig – directions sent out via mail/email
- Pre-Show Request for excusal:
 - Layne Hink, Boyd Jarman, Tom Jarman, Nolan Sherley
 - Bobette moves to approve, Bob seconds, motion passes
- August 2nd – Hoof trimming, judging + showing clinic starting at 8:00 am at Charlie McIntosh's.

Dairy Project:

Dairy Judge: Dakota David

Dairy Project: **2**

Goat Project:

Goat Pre-Show – May 30th (95 days)
Goat Pre-Show Judge: Alex Cory
Goat Fair Judge: Sandi Weishaupt

Goat Market: **24**
Pygmy/Novelty Goat: 5

Sheep Project:

Sheep Pre-Show – May 30th (95 days)
Sheep Pre-Show Judge: McKenna Knott
Sheep Fair Judge: Dakota David

Sheep Market: **46**
Sheep Breeding: 16

Swine Project:

Swine Weight In & Clinic – June 14 (80 days) Swine Market: **59**
Swine Fair Judge: Matt Kennedy

- Reviewed protocol in case of potentially sick/immunocompromised animal prior to pre-show – contact leader and email Bob (bob.eddings@kittitascountyfair.org) to coordinate another time for animal to be tagged. Member should still plan to attend + judge
 - Suggestion to have two sets of pens for judge this year – one set for holding, one set for placing. Per Bob, will try to do this if enough pens.
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Other Business:

- Judging – for members with IEP in school, please talk to Sammi/Russell/Becky to accommodate youth with an adult (not their parent) to assist them with the contest

FFA Report:

- KFFA – prepping for Elementary Ag day, Ag Sales going to state, trapshooting placed 2nd in Omak, state contest 17th & 18th
- EFFA – 35 to state in multiple contests, Breyson elected district treasurer, Cami elected district VP, Hailey Vraves state star finalist.

Grange Report:

- None

Fair & Sale Report:

- Next Fair Board Meeting: April 16th
 - Will be discussing/voting on barns closing at 9, updated re-weigh policy – will email policy to be reviewed, comments/edits due by April 12th
- Feeling out interest in scale date 4 weeks prior to fair
- Feeling out interest/possibility of moving top 15 final drive to later in the afternoon

Announcements:

- Scholarships due April 1st
- April 22nd Super School
- State Livestock Judging Contest, Moses Lake – June 27th

Adjourned at 8:26 pm

2026 Livestock Dates

Next 4-H Council Meeting – March 31st

Kittitas County Fair - September 3rd – 7th

Theme: Country Charm from the Farm!

Next Livestock Committee Meeting: April 21