

LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE Minutes

May 19, 2026

Pledges

Introductions

Bobette Lyyski, Mark Crowley, Amy Alder, Roylene Crawford, Kylie Rinehart, Kara Stein, Dick Wedin, Lynette Miller, Taylor Jarman, Nick Clerf, Sammi Jo Sims, Becky Carollo, Diana Tasker, Steve Russell, Bob Eddings, Sarah DeVries, Aimee Hanson, Erin Tostenson, Josh Cox, Rachel George

Minutes

Bobette moves to approve, Josh seconds, motion passes

Beef Project:

Beef Fair Judge: Dakota David

Beef Market: **45 youth (49 steers)**

Beef Breeding:

Mini Beef: **9**

- Got the new scale!

Dairy Project: ***Pending participation*

Dairy Judge: Dakota David

Dairy Project: **2**

Goat Project:

Goat Pre-Show – May 30th (95 days)

Goat Pre-Show Judge: Alyx Cory

Goat Fair Judge: Sandi Weishaupt

Goat Market: **30 est.**

Pygmy/Novelty Goat:

- **Breeding stock only** do not have to be de-budded or dehorned
- Pre-Show Request for excusal:
 - Hunter Sealy
 - Dick moves to approve, Josh seconds, motion passes.

Sheep Project:

Sheep Pre-Show – May 30th (95 days)

Sheep Pre-Show Judge: McKenna Knott

Sheep Fair Judge: Dakota David

Sheep Market: **57 est.**

Sheep Breeding:

- **Breeding stock only** do not have to be de-budded or dehorned
- Pre-Show Request for excusal:
 - Allison Alder
 - Dick moves to approve, Josh seconds, motion passes

Swine Project:

Swine Weight In & Clinic – June 14 (80 days)

Swine Market: **84 est.**

- Starting at 6:00 am

- Reviewed protocol for sick/potentially immunocompromised animals – contact superintendent, historically have had these animals come in and weigh at very end.

- Leaders – reach out to swine members now, let superintendents know in advance if there are animals that we are concerned about

Swine Fair Judge: Matt Kennedy

- Pre-Show Request for excusal:
 - Bryson Stream, Kinsey Stream, Brock Hutchinson, Owen Hutchinson
 - Kinsey Stream
 - Brock Hutchinson
 - Owen Hutchinson

Other Business:

- Judges travel cost – would like to revisit this in second June meeting (budget for next yr will be due to the county in early September)
 - Roylene suggests in future to create a plan by the 2nd June meeting or July meeting – present what council is doing to facilitate and request additional assistance from fairboard.

- Bobette moves to disperse up to \$2,000 from lodging budget to cover travel costs for 2026 fair judges, Nick seconds, motion passes.

FFA Report:

- Kittitas FFA: Lillianna McGuffin will be competing in Ag Ed at Nationals!
- Ellensburg FFA: 9 state FFA degree recipients, Hailey Vraves State Star Farmer Finalist, Horse team 1st overall and onto nationals, Employment skills 2nd place, Prepared Public speaking 3rd place, Ag communications 3rd place (team 2) 7th place (team 1), Livestock 5th place, FARM 7th place, CCM 6th place, Parli 7th place, Meats 8th place, Hadley Potts 1st place Talent.

Grange Report:

- N/A

Fair & Sale Report:

- Will be updating premium book so that FOF no longer responsible for ensuring thank you's have been delivered prior to payouts – Steve Russell working on a method to track thank you's
- Cost sheets – reviewed that buyers have requested cost per pound and total value of animals to be displayed
 - Superintendents could make more generic species cost sheet as educational display
- All changes requested to the exhibitor's guide have been done, please review and contact Roylene with any additional changes – will be published June 15th – no changes can be made past this date.
 - Ribbons are ordered, buckles being ordered Tuesday
 - Working towards being more consistent in awards across livestock species

Announcements:

- State Livestock Judging Contest, Moses Lake – June 27th

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

2026 Livestock Dates

Next 4-H Council Meeting – May 26th

Kittitas County Fair - September 3rd – 7th

Theme: Country Charm from the Farm!

Next Livestock Committee Meeting: June 16th