Sale Committee meeting held May 7, 2009

Those in attendance were: Dave Bohnert, Dustin Johnson, Lee McConnell, Rob Frank, Michelle Tummonds, Shana Withee, Rachel McNeley, Angie Ketscher, Rob Fisher and Karen Moon.

The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm.

Additions to the Agenda: Cool forms

Minutes: Dave Bohnert moved to accept the minutes as presented. Angie Ketscher seconded and the motion passed.

Insurance: Rachel was out of town this evening however Lee reported that Rachel had talked with several other counties. Harney County is one of the only counties that offer insurance on steers. Pigs are not insured at any other fair.

Judges: Anna Marie Chamberlain will be the Swine and Sheep project judge. Several names were discussed for the beef judge. Those were Matt Kennedy, J B Demming or John Demming. It was asked who usually judges the goats, and it was noted that the Beef judge usually judges them, as they are judged at the same time as the swine first thing in the morning. There was discussion on fees for the judges and reimbursement for motel rooms.

Sale Barn: Shane Otley and Steve Hammond from the Farm Bureau approached Dustin and Dave and had some plans to address the concerns with the crow’s nest in the Sale Barn. The Farm Bureau is interested in donating time and perhaps materials to help rebuild the crow’s nest, and to perhaps add on an addition outside of the barn that would be better supported. It was discussed to put a window in the back of the addition so that an announcer could utilize the PA system for use in the outdoor show arena as well. Angie Ketscher will contact Rob Frank about getting the scales moved. Lee McConnell said he could help during the week.

A motion to support the Farm Bureau in their idea to rebuild the entry way and crow’s nest of the sale barn was made by Rob________ however the motion was never seconded.

There was also discussion on moving the old beef scales out to Crane and moving the swine scales to that location. It is already covered and would be much more convenient. We would have to install a concrete pad for the scales and perhaps an alleyway to the roadway. There was also discussion on continuing an alleyway around the end of the barn to help in moving pigs in and out of stalls to the show arena and sale barn. Angie Ketscher will contact Rob Frank about moving the old scales. Karen will talk with Don Slone to see how the fair board would feel about moving the scales.

Fair book changes: It was noted that we need to add the Ranch Horse project sheets to the record books. The Schedule of events presented was ok.

Tagging: Sixty steers were tagged at the March tagging. There was quite a bit of discussion on the swine and lamb tagging date. It was thought that there was quite a bit of confusion this year about changing the date from June 15th to another day. It was then decided to change the date back to the 15th. Breeding forms are also due to the extension office on the 15th. It was discussed that we should offer the same places to tag as we did for beef. Discussion on who should go to Drewsey, Diamond, Roaring Springs and the fairgrounds. Tagging will be from 2pm to 7pm at the fairgrounds for both 4H and FFA. Dustin and Shana will get expected numbers before that day.

Marketing: Dave Bohnert had done some research on signs. Prices were either $285.00 for _____x_____ or $325.00 for _x__. A motion was made by Lee McConnell and seconded by Angie Ketscher to purchase the 150 sign to recognize
the buyers. A question was asked as to who is the keeper of the money for the Sale Committee. Dustin thought it was Crystal.

**Add-On agreement:** A draft “add-on agreement” was handed out. Suggested changes were to change the order to Overall Sale/Species/Exhibitor instead of the other way around. That would perhaps discourage single exhibitor add-ons and foster more dollars donated to more kids. It was also suggest to perhaps list a submission date to try to encourage more donations earlier, rather than during the sale. It was also suggested to perhaps make a statement right on the form to please return add-ons before the start of the sale.

It was also suggested to make sure to give a statement such as “Make checks payable to:__________(whatever the official account name is).”

A motion was made by Angie Ketscher and seconded by Dave Bohnert to accept the add-on agreement with the noted changes. The motion passed.

**Cool:** Cool requirements were again discussed. Questions were asked about documents needed. An Oregon transfer of Ownership is still definitely required. A question was asked about using a USDA state form? Shana and Dustin will look at the Oregon 4H website. A cool form will be developed and kids should have it filled out and returned WITH their recordbooks in early August.

**Banners:** Lee McConnell will work on developing banners for Supreme Champion Beef, Swine and Lambs.

**Items for Next agenda:**

**Next meeting:** June 11\(^{th}\), 2009 6-8pm

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm