

**UNION COUNTY 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION
LIVESTOCK LEADERS MEETING
October 14, 2008**

The October 14, 2008 meeting of the Union County 4-H Leaders Association Livestock Leaders meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. Those in attendance were Robin Gerber, Ken Patterson, Debbie Cornford, Tammi DelCurto, April Leithner, Lori Graham, and Carole Smith.

1. April Leithner explained the new format and purpose of quarterly projects and the upcoming schedule of meetings.
2. Carole Smith handed out carcass data for the Allied Beef Industry Award. Winning recipients were announced.
3. Debriefing for EOLS and UCF was held. Judges for the sheep, goat, and small animals division at both shows need to be hired. Beef and swine divisions can rehire the same judges as last year.
Discussion was held on possibly rotating the sale order at EOLS and UCF. It was suggested to have a bigger door for sale animals to go in and out of the sale barn. It was also asked if the 4-H beef could share the FFA ring for its show at EOLS. Carole will take these comments to the stock show committee and auction committees. Swine and Sheep shows will start at 9:00 a.m. The 2009 dates for EOLS are June 8th-13th.
The official weigh-in for the beef animals wanting to participate in the Allied Beef program and fastest gaining steer contest will be Jan. 11, 2009 from 1-3 p.m. at the Intermountain Livestock Auction.
A change in possession dates for swine and sheep for Union County Fair will be May 29th. This now is in compliance with the 60 day possession rule.
Items for further discussion to be put on the January agenda include: Schedule for Fair a) change beef show to evening. b) check home ec and style revue schedules c) change rabbit show time d) discuss herdsmanship and judges.
4. Changes for market animals – The auction committees have discontinued the top weights and not letting members sell their animals if overweight. They will only pay up to a certain weight. Therefore, no one will be disqualified from showing because of an overweight animal. There is a letter sent by the EOLS board explaining the changes. Horns are not allowed on market goats. Does can have horns if they are capped or tipped. Scurs are okay.
5. Carole handed out the proposed new OR Animal Science Exhibitor Agreement Form. We will discuss further to see if the file is put at the state level and discuss further individual county show rules.
6. Upcoming events – Leader Tune up – October 24, 2008 @6-8:00 p.m.
Regional Leaders Forum – October 25, 2008 @ 9:00 a.m.
4-H Open House – November 3, 2008 @ 5-6:30 p.m.
Slide show at the Observer

The next meeting will be held January 14, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Tammi DelCurto