

EMERALD DAIRY GOAT ASSOCIATION

February 4, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Hillendahl at 2:58 PM.

The Minutes for December 3, 2016 were read and approved.

The Meeting of January 7, 2017 was cancelled due to ice storm conditions.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lane will check into a computer port to transfer money to the Association's checking account.

Elaine Wigget and Becky Gee paid EDGA 16/17 Dues on 2/4/17.

OLD BUSINESS

Checking Account Co-Signer: Shirley Gardner has taken all the documents requested by the First Community Credit Union for changes to co-signers to the Credit Union. She and President Hillendahl just need to complete the paperwork for the change to take place.

EDGA Website: Laura will try to work on the calendar for the website before the next meeting.

EDGA Goat Show Discussion: Laura reported back on what she had found out about the following items:

Barns: She talked to Nana the Fairgrounds Barn Supervisor. It costs \$150 for each barn. However, if you are a non-profit and the 4-H is involved, there is no charge. They have portable bathrooms and bathrooms in the fairgrounds. They have a sound system. For a Saturday event, you come in on Friday and are out by Saturday evening. Clean up is on Sunday. There is no camping at the Fairgrounds. There is a food booth if we want to run it.

Insurance: For event insurance, it would probably cost \$40 to \$50.

Judges: Two are not available. Laura has two others that she is checking with.

Date for the Show: Lezlee is not available for the June 24th date we had picked for the show due to work extension. She would be available July 1st or July 8th.

Benefits of the Show: It would give the 4-H kids experience before the Lane County Fair - a kind of mini showmanship practice trial.

Discussion: It will be a problem at the Fairgrounds because people want to stay with their goats, but can't because there is no overnight camping. Also, Shirley said Sanctions Jr/Sr for the show would cost \$80, plus \$5 apiece for the rosettes. Others thought that not having Lezlee for the June 24th date would be a problem because everyone is new to hosting a show, except Shirley, Laura and Lezlee. The July dates would push into the Lane Fair timeline. Laura mentioned cutting back to a one-ring show, but everyone thought a two-ring show would attract more participants. Drumming up sponsors for raffle prizes and finding raffle kids also takes time. Plus, our website and Facebook page are still in the initiation phase and are not up and running to promote the show and attract interest. Shirley mentioned that during 2016, the association revenues were \$56.35 and expenditures were \$166.55. She is worried about paying for the cost of the show.

Shirley moved that we wait until next year to have the show, Lane seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to wait until next year to host the show.

Showmanship Clinic: Laura thought that having an educational field day in the Fall would grab more attention for starting goats. We need a venue that could accommodate one or two speakers at a time. Not sure what would work for that. There was mention of the Veteran's facilities. We're looking at November for this activity.

NEW BUSINESS

Fundraisers: Everyone loved the goat embellished note cards that Shirley has for the association use. She has no envelopes for the cards. Lane motioned and Shirley seconded that Lane will find envelopes for the cards that we then plan to sell to raise money for the Association. The motion was unanimously approved.

Shirley said that they used to have a monthly raffle at the meetings. Everybody put in \$2 to help raise money. Lane motioned and Shirley seconded the motion to have a \$2 monthly raffle. The motion was unanimously approved.

Fundraiser Homework: Everyone's homework for next month is to come up with ideas to make money for the Association.

Northwest Oregon Dairy Goat Field Day: Laura and Lane mentioned that they planned to attend the NWODGA Field Day scheduled for February 18, 2017 at Oregon City. It is all-day seminars where you choose the classes of interest to you. Anyone interested in attending and/or carpooling, let Lane know. The NWODG web site gave all the information about the event.

President Hillendahl adjourned the meeting at 4:00 PM.