

BAC Meeting
June 15, 2013
Brooks. AB Ramada Inn

Meeting called to order at 8:30 am by Greg Coleman

Greg asked Dorothy to record the minutes in absence of Secretary.

Pledge led by Cody Coleman

Introductions were made; Greg Coleman Ed Johnston, Owen Almborg, Cody Coleman, Sid Livingstone, Jackie Blahun, Brent Christenson, Stacy Murray, Val Townsend, Mark Sayers, Yvonne Yaremicio, Dorothy Carlson, Carey Kopp, Lyndon Mansell, Marina Oatway, Andrea Church, Erin Wells, Leisa Gallelli

Before we started a special Thank You was given to Carey for arranging the tour for all of us to the JBS packing plant and feedlot.

Jalissa Burnett gave us an overview of the new beef resources and e-learning tool. Funding was forthcoming from ALMA and 4-H Council to get the resources started.

All Leaders will be receiving a curriculum binder with all pages in it that will be on line.

A trial run with the Bashaw members from Cleaver to senior members was done. Many comments and feedback came out of the workshop. Mark Sayers brought up the question of; Did you take it to many clubs as a whole in different areas? Jalissa said that she met with multiple members in different clubs not just one whole club. There will be another test run with the members in the Northwest region.

Some concerns over how the intermediates will take to it.

We are looking at the end of September for launching the new material.

The group of us were broke into region groups to brainstorm ideas on how to promote and get members and leaders encouraged about the new info.

Jalissa played the CowPied game for us and we gave feedback. Everyone agreed that it looks like a great start to new resources.

Jalissa also brought up about ribbons. She explained that there has been difficulties in ordering and the cost to them.

Brent Christenson moves that the BAC committee make a recommendation to 4-H AB that all Clubs, Districts, and Regions are responsible to order and purchase ribbons on their own from the Foundation if they choose to carry them or a source of their choice. 2nd by Owen Almborg. Carried.

Reconvened at 11:00am.

Additions to the agenda – Yvonne asked to include record books, and market beef clarification.

Mark moved to approve the agenda with changes, 2nd by Val. Carried

Minutes were reviewed – Brent moves to approve, 2nd by Carey. Carried

REPORTS

Regional Highlights

NE - Wrap up of Achievement Days Lyndon \$2.50 avg. St. Paul \$2.95 avg. Brent \$2.00 avg. A fall forum and talent show will be held.

NW – Achievement Days wrapping up. Syd – Lakemere club has a 1% charitable donation from sale. Jackie – Lobstick females down. July 4-7 is Focus on 4-H in Mayerthorpe. Dorothy – Lac Ste Anne, female numbers are up. \$2.40 avg.

Peace – One Achievement Day to go. Most avg \$3.00 Females are up. Regional celebration in fall.

South – Regional Celebration in October. Judging workshop went well. Heifers up in Lethbridge and Newell. \$2.25 -\$2.80 avg on steers.

Calgary - \$2.83 avg. On 108 steers. 120 females.

Peace – Nothing to report.

East Central – 3 successful judging competitions.

West Central – Regional heifer show tomorrow. 85 heifers 50 kids. \$40.00 per member entry fee and meals all day for families. Region has 110 heifers registered. \$2.55 average. We took Cleaver kids to Farmer's Market to promote sale. It was a great hit.

Council – Mark, Dorothy

Web site and partners meeting went well.

Cleaver Kids letter was sent.

– It will be an under aged youth that can do Cleaver Kids project.

Provincial Beef Heifer Show

July 8-11th with 91 members and 114 animals. It is down 9 kids from last year.

Push to watch June 1st deadline.

It is overlapping with Snyergy. Team marketing is Jr. and Int. Seniors do You are hired.

You can go without a beef project and still take part.

4-H Specialist

Webinars

Stacey will be the NW Regional Specialist in September.

Webinars are a work in progress. The first one will be on feeding. Hoping for steers and heifers both.

Some specific ones for leaders – eg: Cowbytes

OLD BUSINESS

BAC research tour @ JBS Packing Plant and Feedlot

“AWESOME” Thank you Carey for putting this together.

Send thank you's. Owen and Erin will write the Thank you – send the proof to Yvonne first.

Yvonne would like everyone to send a paragraph as to what everyone got out of the tour. Then Greg and Yvonne will compile an article for the 4-H Magazine- BAC article.

Regional Beef Project Workshop

Yvonne mentioned that there is \$300.00 per region to use for workshops. Guidelines will be sent out to Regions.

Beef Safety Video – Stacy

It is almost done. It is in editing and where to put it for all to see or access.

BUD Survey and BUD 2014 dates – Yvonne

Positive comments were reported.

Marina Oatway made the motion to host BUD on November 21-23rd, 2014 at the Battle Lake 4-H Centre and Lakedell Arena. 2nd by Ed Johnston. Discussion followed in regards to date. Vote taken with majority in favour and 2 opposed Val Townsend & Erin Wells, motion carried.

The sheep leaders will also be invited to join us.

Send Yvonne keynote and session ideas or bring to next meeting. Some ideas were more info on meat grading and ask regions what info they would like to see.

Beef Achievement Day Planning Tool – Stacy

Stacy is compiling info and asked what are we missing for hosting a Multi Project Show. Send her ideas.

Greg said we will break for lunch – 12:10

NEW BUSINESS

Policy Review

- 3 yr old project

Val brought forward a letter of concern and discussion followed.

Policy 6.05

Add under Project animals.

- Project must be identified when project declared with a 4-H Tag, or Tatoo, or CCIA (RFID) number.
- Two year old Cow/calf is Continuation of Heifer project
- Three year old Cow/calf is continuation of 2yr old Cow/calf project.

Add to definition of 2 and 3yr old projects.

- 2 yr old record book must have a completed record book to continue on as a 3 yr old.

Wording change - All project animals with horns exceeding 2 inches from hairline are prohibited.

Market Beef Clarification

- Has market beef project – Creative Options – for Jack pot class.

Dorothy makes the motion to accept all above changes to policy 6.05 as presented. 2nd by Ed. Carried

Stacy said she would put the policy in a more defined order for final print.

Premise ID

Even acreage owners need one. If 18 years old you have to have your own number. Ag society's need a number also.

Canadian Beef School

November 19-21 at Olds College. Adults only. Covers from live to store shelf.

Record Books

Market Beef – Any changes needed.

- Use Actual weight for rate of gain
- Info sheet for weigh in – for leaders use and will be posted on website.

ELECTIONS

Chair – Mark nominates Greg Coleman accepts, 2nd by Leisa. Carried

Vice Chair – Marina nominates Owen Almborg declines. Brent nominates Carey Kopp accepts, 2nd by Greg. Carried

Recording Secretary – Erin Wells volunteered.

Beef Heifer Show Rep – Sid Livingstone

Next meeting August 24, TBA

Other dates set February 4th 2014 and June 14th. 2014. TBA

Mark moves to adjourn meeting at 2:08 Carried.

Dorothy Carlson

Recording secretary for the day