

Jr. Livestock Sale Committee (JLSC)

Meeting Minutes for July 22, 2025

The Jr. Livestock Sale Committee was called to order by Chairman, Logan Lenz, at 6:57 p.m. Those committee members in attendance were Logan Lenz, Russell Spence, Don McGregor, Keri McGregor, Jenny Brown, Brett Shreve, Amber Spence, Claire Haeney, Becca Walter, Josh White, Bailey Schilling and Laura Boldt.

Others in attendance were Cheryl Spence, Shelby Gould, Valerie Crego, Tracy Schweitzer, Ge Wyscarver, Destrie Greiman, Stephanie Morrison, Cindy Buckardt, Lane Walter, Lane Brown and Sheriff Deputy, Rafael Sanchez.

Everyone had a chance to introduce themselves.

Agenda Approval

Quorum was established with two members absent, Tanner Adams and Tanner Isaacs. Logan commented that there would be a 3-minute public comment added to the agenda and that discussion should only be with committee members. Claire Haeney made the motion to approve the agenda which was seconded by Jenny Brown. The motion was approved

Approval of June 2025 Minutes

The JLSC meeting minutes were emailed to committee members. The correction to the minutes referenced March dates. Becca Walter made the motion to approve the amended minutes, and Amber Spence seconded. The minutes were approved. The committee was also asked to approve the June 5th Zoom meeting where the committee approved having a third mandatory sale meeting for members. Becca Walter motioned to approve, and Brett Shreve seconded, motion carried.

Financial Report

Logan Lenz gave the financial report stating that there was a balance of \$38,599.66 in the JLSC account. Sponsors total \$25,545 through the last month with no expenses paid.

Extension Report

Bailey Schilling reported that the on-call vet for the Fair are coordinated with Dr Tim Holt with CSU. There will be a medication log in the Livestock Office to record all treatments made during the Fair. Bailey is looking for record book check volunteers for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. They will be comparing the record book health history with the purple form turned in at that time. Dr Fancher will review these forms for withdrawal dates. Logan, Becca, Keri and Jenny volunteered to collect buyer cards.

Old Business – None

New Business

Logan asked for the sub-committee reports.

Sponsors: Becca Walter reported the total sponsors to be \$23,530. Sponsors will receive rodeo tickets. All but one sponsor want a table during the Jr. Livestock Sale. July 29 is the day for the

Justine's pizza fundraiser. A flyer will be put together to promote the event during the Fair parade. They are also confirming banners and will need to order for new sponsors.

Packers / Post Sale: Don said load out will be Thursday morning at 5 am and he needs volunteers to load the animals. Russ will load-out Wednesday night and may have some pigs and cows. Tyler Smith helped last year and may be available this year. Don would like to organize watering animals and needs ten youth preferably when the sale ends.

Buyer Outreach: Jenny Brown is working on table assignments and decor for the buyers. The subcommittee also has donations to cover some of the flower cost for the centerpieces. She would like to have buyer feedback cards at the sale to help with next year's outreach. The buyer awards have been ordered. We will have resale vs. food bank cards on all of the tables at the sale.

Social Media: Keri is promoting the top 10 buyers from 2024 on Facebook.

Sale Logistics: Ge Wyscarver from the Ranch reported that buyers will be coming to the party tent for their lunch and then enter through the side doors. The doors for the auction will open at noon to prepare for a 1 pm start time. Logan will be a point of contact for The Ranch, so everything will need to be run through him. The lunch will remain in the party tent since the sides pull down in the event of inclement weather. The cattle, poultry and rabbits will enter the sale arena through the West barn. All other animals will come through the panel walkway in the East barn. The auction arena will be locked during Fair so there isn't the reset prior to the sale. The sale committee will have access to the tables and chairs at 9 am. The tables increased to 24 and there are 194 seats. Cocktail tables are also planned. The ADA seating was added next to the sale arena and close to the entrance point. There will be two bars inside of the auction arena.

Buyer parking is still a concern. Exhibitors can come in to load out tack and extra animals, however, they need to park farther away so that there is room for buyers. There is the possibility that the area will be striped for parking. Trailers also need to be parked in their lot to free up space. Josh White will help on clearing and monitoring the parking space. Ge would like to see a couple of volunteers posted at the sale arena entry gates to monitor traffic flow when the pigs are coming through the arena.

Buyer Lunch: No report

Species Leads: There weren't any reports given.

Volunteers: Claire Haenny reported that Thompson Valley and Berthoud FFA will volunteer to help. FNBO managers will be donating their time for buyer registration and check out with two shifts. They will receive training. There will be volunteer spreadsheets in the office to fill shifts.

Admin: Claire has started a list of what we need at the registration table and will compare it to what we have in inventory. She will also print posters of where to turn in nomination forms in the sale office. There was also a discussion on the sponsor for the pictures which is ShowRite Feeds.

Jenny raised another question regarding getting water and ice for the tables. Claire has a source for ice which is ten minutes away. There will be silver containers on the table to hold iced water. We need to confirm who will bring the water, OVG or CSU meats lab.

Also if people could bring wagons to assist buyers carrying gift baskets. Ringmen for the sale have been confirmed. The truck and trailer for the parade of champions will also be confirmed.

Public Comment: Cindy Buchardt wanted to know if the Jr. Livestock Sale would be livestreamed with the answer given as “Yes” on the Larimer County Fair Facebook page.

Destrie Greiman commented that the beef show would need a volunteer to push cattle through the show.

Tracie Schweitzer recommended moving beef cattle to the south end of the barn that are going to sell for easier access to the sale arena.

Logan reminded everyone to log their volunteer hours through VicNet. The next meeting will be September 23rd for a livestock sale debrief.

Becca Walter raised the question about the 3% commission. The commission would not be assessed on the buyers but rather the youth selling animals. Many buyers and sponsors have expressed concerns that this hasn’t been adequately communicated. Information will be put in the sale program regarding the commission.

Logan then asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Becca Walter made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. and Amber Spence seconded. The meeting was approved to adjourn. Pizza was provided by Logan Lenz for the Justine’s Pizza fundraiser promotion with proceeds being contributed to the Jr. Livestock Sale.

Minutes submitted by
Laura Boldt