

Committee Report of the Major Livestock Show Advisory Committee
Area 7
July 28, 2015

Lorie Kempen (Recording Secretary) and Mike Wallace (Goat Species Chair) brought forth information regarding the current status of the committee. Jordan Blount is representing the Area as the competitive events person. Currently, there is 1 opening for Ag Mechanics due to ag teachers leaving the area. Lorie Kempen position is open for re-election and she expressed interest to be reappointed by the area.

Lorie Kempen gave the following report:

This committee serves the ag teachers voices to the major livestock shows for changes and improvement. Recommendations are accepted 2x a year (After the State Fair of Texas and after the Austin Livestock Show). These recommendations are compiled and then brought to the joint meeting of County Extension Agents and Ag Teachers. This listing is then submitted to the Major Livestock Shows.

Other Items this committee has been working on is the New/Beginning Teacher Livestock Seminar, which will be held in San Antonio September 12/13. This event is open to anyone. A flyer was given out to the Area. Registration will be handled through judgingcard.com at a cost of \$50.00/person.

Additionally, this committee has accepted and has worked on developing and clarifying the new steer classification guidelines. These guidelines will be finalized Sept 14th in San Antonio, following the new/beginning teacher seminar. If members would like to have input on these guidelines and serve on the committee, names should be submitted to Toby Long (or Mike and Lorie will also take). There will be industry, ag teachers, county agents and breeders to finalize the steer guidelines which take affect 2017. Largest change in this group will be the elimination of the Chi and current AOB classification. And the implementation of the Black, Red and Colored Cross Divisions.

Lorie and Mike asked for any additional comments to take to the 4pm Meeting. Lorie Kempen was re-elected. Mike Billings was elected to serve as the Ag Mechanic representative.

Respectfully Submitted.

Lorie Kempen