

## Marion County Junior Livestock Auction

Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2020

An additional meeting due to the Oregon coronavirus was held by Via Zoom at 5:30p.m. Melanie McCabe presented to “MCJLA” board members to discuss all state gatherings that are still cancelled and virtually Marion County Fair show/auction.

Present:

- Directors: Jace Anderson, Josh Augustus, Eric Pineda, Becky Pineda and Reynold Gardner
- Officers: John Kuenzi and Carol Barham
- Other: Melanie McCabe, Kimberly Clonch, Jennifer Bettiga, Margi Tipton, Shannon Kraft and Abby Lewis

Excused or Unexcused Directors/Officers: Letxy Molin, Dan Vannoy and Michael Clonch

New Business:

1. The “MCJLA” group agreed that only a virtual Marion County Fair/auction option is open for 2020.
2. Melanie McCabe presented to the group that her and Vickie Smith had a meeting last night with our 4-H Horse Superintendents where we received a demonstration from Fair Vault developer/owner Spencer Schultz. Fair Vault software works alongside ShoWorks so that online judging results are captured into ShoWork. The first 30 minutes show how exhibitors can upload photos, video, and other documents that you make required for a particular division or class. The later part of the zoom video from 30:30 on describes how judges would login to the system and judge projects (animals, photos, etc). Vickie and I hope you find it useful as you explore virtual show options that we all hope will not be necessary.
3. Melanie McCabe thanked everyone for their thoughts and ideas. We definitely have some different options to consider moving forward. Thank you all for being so willing to support the youth of Marion County through this very difficult time. The ShoWorks/FairVault option, this is by far the cheaper option and would be our option if virtual becomes the way to go.
4. Melanie McCabe shared with the group a presentation on the governor’s plan to reopen the state- Hopefully more information will come out in the coming days about how/when we can expect to move into Phase One.
5. Margi Tipton is also working to gather information from ShoWorks about their method for holding auctions. Melanie said there are a couple more youth auctions coming up at: <http://liveauctions.tv/> and after viewing how it was done and looking at their sale catalog it did not seem like an unmanageable option. Just some things to think about.

6. The “MCJLA” group agreed that the FFA/4-H auction would have no final livestock weigh-in and animals would be sold by the head and not by the pound. More discussion is needed to what/where/how the sale animals will be dropped off or not at a site.
7. Becky Pineda proposed to send out a survey to go out to all “MCJLA” market participants to see what the youth/parents feel about handling/selling their livestock projects. All agreed and was approved by the board.
8. Melanie McCabe composed a survey to be given to the youth with livestock projects to help give us a better idea for how to move forward. This should go to all youth who have registered with the auction, but I would also like to be able to send it out to other 4-H and FFA members as well.
9. Becky Pineda will share with FFA advisors so that they can get it out to all of their kids who plan to show livestock/small animals.
10. The “MCJLA” board agreed to send out the e-mailed survey “Marion County 4-H and FFA Show Options” (May 4, 2020) to youth/parents at <https://forms.gle/qiboJAX3xoT3JEfn7>. Melanie McCabe will present at the next “MCJLA” board meeting May 7, 2020 the survey responses and involvement. Thanks to all the youth who responded!

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: An added ZOOM meeting is schedule on May 7, 2020 at 5:30pm.

Board President: John Kuenzi

Board Secretary: Carol Barham