Sale Animal Weigh in and Animal Floater Recommendations

A committee was formed at the Nov 2013 Livestock Leaders meeting – below are the recommendations from the committee to be presented to Livestock leaders, leaders council and Livestock Market Animal Sale Committee.

- 1. A member can weigh in two (2) animals at the designated species weigh in.
- 2. A 4-H member MUST be enrolled and paid in 4-H prior to the animal(s) being weighed.
- 3. Family members who live at the same address, but not necessary have the same last name or same parents may share floater animals. A 4-H family is defined by how the enrollment is complete in the 4-H online enrollment program for that family.
- 4. All animals MUST be assigned to a member at weigh-in, the animals and members cannot leave the weigh in location until ownership is recorded.
- 5. Floaters can be shared amongst family members who live at the same address. If there is an even number of members and animals, each member is assigned to two animals. If the number of animals weighed in don't equal the number of members enrolled then the animal may be assigned to more than 1 member.

a. Examples

- i. 2 members weigh in 4 animals. 1 member will be assigned to two animals and the other member will be assigned to the other two animals.
- ii. 5 members weigh in 7 animals. Each member is assigned an animal; the remaining two animals are assigned to the family members as floaters. Animal 1 is assigned to 3 members and animal 2 is assigned to 2 members.
- 6. Multiply families with different addresses, who pen animals together at a central location, cannot share floater animals. See #3 to understand how a family is defined.
- 7. Breeding Animals are not recorded and will not be weighed at weigh ins. They will receive an ear tag, for the sole purpose of identification at the time of load out.
- All questions regarding 4-H enrollment should be directed to the Extension office.
- All questions concerning animal weigh in and animal floaters <u>must be in writing</u> and delivered to a member of the Livestock Market Animal Sale Committee.

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