Dixon May Fair
Madden Dining Hall - 655 South First Street, Dixon, CA 95620
Competitive Exhibits Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 27th – 4 p.m.

AGENDA

The Competitive Exhibits Committee is a committee of the 36th District Agricultural Association Board of Directors. The committee reviews and recommends policy to the board of directors.

I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Committee Chair Richard Hamilton

II. **ROLL CALL** – Committee Members – Richard Hamilton & Roy Gill

III. **PUBLIC COMMENT - Limited to 3 minutes per person**

Comments to the Committee on issues and items not listed on the agenda. Please note that pursuant to California State Law, the Committee is prohibited from taking action on any item not listed on the agenda. Presentations will be limited to 3 minutes. Public comment on any agenda item listed must be made at the time the item is being discussed and limited to 3 minutes.

IV. Staff Report on the 2017 policies and procedures in regards to the following: scales, communications, wristband/pass distribution procedures and stock truck and RV parking on Sunday.

V. **2018 Exhibit Guidebook Rules (Proposed Changes and/or Suggestions)**

A. Review and discuss possible changes to the horse show.
1. Minimum number of entries required to produce the show.
2. Combining the show with another horse show.
3. Show Dates

B. Discuss suggested show & receiving schedule changes: Change small animal receiving on Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to 9 a.m. to Noon; RV receiving change from Tuesday 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. to 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. due to safety concerns with moving in of small animals and road congestion. Dairy Cattle show change to Friday at 1 p.m. instead of 11 a.m.; change market goat show from Friday at 9 a.m. to Friday at 8 a.m. allowing for a staggered start with the rabbit & cattle show. Allow tack and decorations to be brought on Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

C. Review and discuss beef exhibitor survey and request change to slick sheer market steers.

D. Review and discuss current fitting rules for Livestock (2017 rule #34 page 41 of 2017 Exhibit Guidebook.)
"Full fitting is allowed however any attempt to change natural color of an animal entry, by changing the natural color or adding false hair or fleece on the animal's body is not allowed and is considered unethical. Unethical fitting practices can and will be stopped by management and may result in disqualification from the show. Grooming aids should not be over-used insuring the color of these aids does not transfer to other animals or people."

E. Swine Breeding Show – Discuss adding grade swine classes for breeding show to allow unregistered sows and boars meeting the age requirements to show.

F. Review request to break market swine classes into breeds.

G. Review and discuss current pre-tag requirements for large market animals.
1. Merits of the program vs challenges of the program.
2. Continuance of the program and or changes to the program.
3. Number of animals allowed to be pre-tagged per exhibitor.

H. Discuss Load out days & times.

I. Review and discuss current code of conduct (page 40 #15 – 2017 Exhibit Guidebook

J. Review and discuss re-weigh policies & procedures – suggestion received to limit re-weighs to only those animals not meeting the minimum or maximum show weight requirement for the show and adding language regarding number of re-weighs allowed. (Page 47 #4 – 2017 Exhibit Guidebook)

K. Review and Discuss the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program and possible implementation at the 2018 Dixon May Fair. YQCA is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8 to 21 with a focus on three core pillars: food safety, animal well-being, and character development. http://yqca.org/

L. Review the current Junior Livestock Show eligibility requirements

Page 41 – 2017 Exhibit Guidebook: "The Dixon May Fair is an Open Junior Show. Any junior in California is eligible (according to State Rules) to compete in the Junior Breeding Showcases. Market classes are only open to residents of Solano County or members of a Solano County 4-H Club, FFA Chapter or Recognized Grange. Independent Juniors must be a resident of Solano County and attend a Solano County School, if the Independent has graduated from high school and meets the age requirements as specified in the rules, then they must have had graduated from a Solano County School and reside in Solano County. If an exhibitor is enrolled in an out-of-county (not Solano County) 4-H/FFA and /or Grange, regardless of project, then their eligibility lies in the county in which the 4-H/FFA and/or Grange is registered and therefore the exhibitor is not eligible to exhibit a market animal at the Dixon May Fair as an independent, 4-H/FFA and/or Grange member."

M. Still Life Category Changes – Change the Career Technical Education Showcase from the American System of judging to Danish and eliminate classes that have not been entered the past 3 years.

N. Adjournment

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