

Lake Travis FFA
Alumni Association
Meeting Minutes 12/3/19

- I. **6:40 pm, Vice President, Melyssa Abernathy** - Made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Jeff Abernathy and Aline Crompton approved the minutes.
- II. **Treasurer, Lisa Ducote** – We had a total income of \$19,336 this month and a net of \$15,476. Aline Crompton and Jeff Abernathy approved the Treasurer Report.
- III. **Teacher Update, Kelly White** – We are having the kids meeting next week and their Christmas party. We will have a gift exchange and asking to keep it under \$15.00. We will also feed them so this is a time to bring some snacks. No peanut butter or peanut products. We will be getting the dumpster emptied. We will be looking at grades on December 20th. We will not be looking at the semester grade but the grading period for the 9 weeks. That will determine if your child will be eligible to participate at Travis County.
Perry White – I will be bringing my sewer snake tomorrow if I can find it to fix the pigs wash area. The chapter show is coming up quick. On Friday, December 13th the kids will pay their entry fee and get their weight cards. The weight cards are due back by 7:00 pm that night. We have sponsors for all of the buckles so thank you all very much. The chapter show will begin at 8:00 am. The show order is lambs, goats, pigs, steers and showmanship. We will have the Old Fart Showmanship at the end. We will be setting up the pens at TCYS on January 14th at 4:00 pm. We need to have everyone there. If a kid can't be there then there must be a parent there. We will have a sign in and sign out sheet. This is all part of being in good standing with the chapter. We will be doing clipping and sheering the week before. We will send out a remind message telling everyone when to sign up for clippers and we will set aside one day to sheer all the pigs. January 15th is pen decorating. The alumni sets up and we will need volunteers. We will need to purchase shavings at TCYS because we can't bring it in. 2 bags of shavings per pig, 1 bag per lamb or goat, steers typically need at least 4-6 bags of pelleted shavings. We will need someone to volunteer to haul our trailer to TCYS on Wednesday and bring it back on Sunday. The trailer will have our miscellaneous tack like pen dividers, feed hangers, kick boards, decorations, fire pit and wood. On Thursday, January 16th we will start loading the animals at 6:00 am and leave the school at 7:00 am.

Do Not Feed animals on Thursday morning. You only feed half of their normal feeding the night before. As soon as they get off the trailer at TCYS they will get weighed. You will feed your animal after they have been unloaded and weighed in. All lambs and goats must wear a muzzle on the trailer and at TCYS.

- IV. **Melyssa** – The jeep raffle money and tickets are due January 7th. At the Pet Shot Clinic we made \$2,525 and had great number of parents who volunteered. The Chapter Show is December 14th and it starts at 8:00 am. The concession stand will be open. The Old Fart Showmanship will be at the end of the show. TCYS will be January 14-19. We are set to take \$15K - \$20K for TCYS. Majority of that money will go to our kids but it also goes to supporting kids from other schools. Remember to call Woody's if you need a trailer and tell them you are with Lake Travis so you can get the 10% discount.
- V. **Aline Crompton** – If you're showing an animal at TCYS and you make sale. You will go to auction and auction off your gift basket and your ribbon. They will not keep the ribbon. People will bid on it. We have our kids write buyer letters to the companies/people on the Buyer List so they know who your kid is. Put a picture with the letter. Send out 25-50 letters.
- VI. **Melyssa** – We need committees for Pen Decorating, Cantina, Herdsman, Youth Fair and Shavings. Do Not open the bags of shavings in the pens. Just place the bags inside the pens. There are 2 animals per pen so they have to last us for the entire weekend. January 14th is barn set up. All kids and parents needs to be there. You will need to sign in and sign out. January 15th is pen decorating so we will need around 12-18 volunteers. We made 2nd place last year because we didn't look uniform and the kids will need to make sure they keep everything clean. Your kid needs to come at their desired time for clean-up.
- VII. **Jane Ellen Carter** – We are heading up the Cantina committee with Kendal Shipp, Steve Shipp and Sunny Reed. If anyone would like volunteer to help us that would be great. We have a whole menu that we worked up. We have only about 20 people that have responded so far that they are interested. For the 9 meals it will be \$50 per person. Teachers are free. Kids that are 10 and under are free.

VIII. Melyssa – Important Dates:

12/13 – Chapter Entries and Weight Cards Due

12/14 – LT FFA Chapter Show

12/14 – Rabbit Validation

01/07 – FFA Meeting

01/07 – Jeep Raffle Money Due

01/14 – 01/19 – TCYS

01/22 or 01/23 – Buyers Meeting (for those who made sale)

01/24 – TCYS Youth Fair and Livestock Auction 10:00 am