

Lake Travis FFA
Alumni Association
Meeting Minutes 10/1/19

- I. 6:31 pm, Vice President, Melyssa Abernathy made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Bud Carter and Jeff Abernathy approved the minutes.
- II. Melyssa - Thanked everyone for attending or contributing to the Southern Soiree. We profited almost \$12,000 for our kids. We had over 100 people who attended the Soiree which was the highest attendance that we have ever had.
- III. Melyssa - Spoke with everyone on how we would like each family to bring in \$500 in sponsorships. You could do a \$250 fuss free donation yourself or you can go out to businesses to ask them if they would like to sponsor the LT FFA Chapter. Anyone who sponsors \$250 or more will get their name on our shirt and banner.
Ben Powers - Spoke about our sponsorship form. There are different levels of sponsorships and you can find the sponsorship form on our website.
Melyssa - All sponsorship forms are due by our meeting in December.
- IV. Melyssa- Talked about our membership dues and told everyone to turn in their membership form and dues to Lisa or Tina. You must pay your dues to be in good standing. The benefits of members in good standing are your eligible to vote, receive support at TCYS auction and majors, sponsor shirt and supporting your child's chosen extracurricular activity. She also talked about what you need to do to be in good standing.
- V. Teacher, Perry White – TCYS setup is January 14, 2020 and will start setting up at 5:00pm and done between 8:30-9:00pm. Setup is where we setup all the pens, purchase our shavings and put our shavings in our pens so we don't have to mess with that on the day the animals come. TCYS entries are due by October 8th. I understand that some of y'all don't have your animals yet and not sure what is going on. If you have a remote thought of getting an animal or entering in the youth fair project then turn in the entry form. Go to our website, go to TCYS and then the rule book. Go through it and look to see what your child wants to enter in the youth fair. If you child has an animal or will be expecting to get an animal then fill out the entry form and turn in the money. Let us know if you have any questions about this. Kelly White is the best person to talk to about the youth fair.

- VI. Teacher, Kelly White – Spoke about the TCYS entry form on our website and the TCYS site. If the link is not working then sometimes you may have to open up a new tab. The one that I downloaded onto our site is fillable. It is a pdf that you can type in. I have to enter all that information into a spreadsheet. All the information on the TCYS entry form must be legible. If it doesn't go to TCYS correctly then they will boot it out. We have to have a hard copy because it will require signatures. All checks need to be made out to Lake Travis FFA.
- VII. Teacher, Perry – All new FFA members and any kid who was in 8th grade but is in 9th grade now have to take the Quality Counts Program.
- VIII. Melyssa, Perry – Melyssa told everyone the lamb and goat validation is on October 15 at the Manor High School. They talked about what they will do to your lamb or goat at validation and why they do that.
Perry - The student and parent must be at validation. If parent can't be there then the parent can fill out a waiver form. The parent then has to go to the 4H office and sign the paperwork. Pig validation is held at our barn. He explained to everyone why they come to each school to do the validation for the pigs. It should be held on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. You can validate two people with one animal as long as they are a family member. The other family member has to pay dues and attend meetings. You put them on the same validation form.
- IX. Aline Crompton – Spoke about rabbits and their validation. More info will be given at our next meeting.
- X. Melyssa – The Pet Shot Clinic is November 11. We need the majority of the parents to help because the kids will be at leadership development event.
- XI. Teacher, Perry – Students need to pay their FFA dues and encourage your child to sign up for a Leadership Development Event. Pen rent and deposits must be given to Kelly White. The deposit per pen is \$100 and it is refundable. For Lamb/Goat/Pig the pen rent is \$50 per animal. Steers pen rent is \$100. If any kids need a pig then I need to know ASAP. Make sure your student is doing their part in keeping the barn and common areas clean.
- XII. Melyssa – Talked about Jackpot Shows. It is very important to sanitize the school clippers before and after you use them. Bathe and sanitize your animal after you come back from a show. Parents are responsible to take their animal to the Jackpot Shows. The only shows the school trailers to is validation, TCYS and San Antonio. We have Buddy Sign Up Sheets so if you need a buddy then please sign up.

- XIII. Teacher, Taylor Eurich – Has been teaching the kids how to show. I have ask goat kids if they need help but none of them has asked for help or can stay after school. For the lambs, please do not wash them unnecessary. That lanolin that is in their wool protects them from ringworms, staph and bacteria. For the pigs, you do need to wash and moisturize them.
- XIV. Melyssa – Reminded everyone to sign up for the text reminders and FFA parent email.

The meeting ended at 7:39 pm