

South Texas Cattlewomen Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 21, 2020
Oasis Outback – Uvalde

Jan Elliott called the meeting to order at 10:20 am. She then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to both the US and Texas flags and the STCW prayer.

WELCOMING OF GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS

U.S. Border Patrol representatives, introduced by Priscilla Parsons:

Doyle Amidon – Deputy Chief Patrol Agent

Cesar Escajeda – Patrol Agent in Charge

Jesus Gonzalez – Acting Deputy Patrol Agent in Charge

Stephanie Anaya – Acting Special Operations Supervisor

Jose Tellez – Executive Officer

Randy Davis – Division Chief Law Enforcement

Herminio Reyes – Patrol Agent, Technical

Raul Ortiz – Chief Patrol Agent who was expected, was unable to attend

Susan J. Kibbe, Executive Director, South Texas Property Rights Association – guest of Priscilla Parsons

DECEMBER MINUTES : Minutes were approved as presented.

TREASURER’S REPORT: No Treasurer’s report was available due to illness of Linda’s sister.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Linda Gilleland who is having heart problems. Linda Landrum’s sister who is very ill and in the hospital. Jeanne Evans who is in the hospital in Norman with pneumonia. Will be in rehab for a couple of weeks, then going home per Dorothy Kinsel. She may be called at 830-374-7308.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jan discussed the importance of Cattlewomen getting involved in some way with the political process, as the upcoming elections will affect us greatly. There will be a meeting tonite at 6:30 in Brackettville with 8 candidates for the Republican primary for the 23rd congressional seat. Meet today at First State Bank in Uvalde at 5 to carpool to the meeting. Jan says she has extra rooms at her house if you need to spend the night.

Jan reviewed our activities and donees for the benefit of our guests and new members.

Jan asked for a volunteer to handle publicity. Jan had contacts in Hondo and Pleasanton and used to put meeting notices in local papers. This has not been done in a while, but if someone would volunteer we could do it again.

NEW BUSINESS

Jan went to the TCW Executive Committee meeting at the Beef Council. Debbie Gill has done a good job getting TCW back on track. They are trying to get the Beef Ambassador program started in colleges again. Something we may be interested in getting involved in: Steak dinner at Texas A&M during the Beef Short Course, in August (?) every year.

There are many new clubs including some started by younger women (30's and 40's) and in places we have not had clubs before.

The Texas High School Bar-B-Que Association has its state championship in Burnet in May (S&S weekend). We could possibly help serve on Friday. Suzanne took Zip last year – so many kids cooking beef had never seen a live cow before. Jan told new members and guests about Zip.

Jan said the NCBA (National Cattleman's Beef Association) convention is Feb 4 – 7 in San Antonio. STCW needs representation at the TCW meeting there. Jan is going. Anyone who would like to attend can register on the TCW website. Jan believes it is \$100.00 to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

Jan said someone donated beef to Big Springs Childrens Home, so the meat market in Uvalde said to hold off on the beef certificates at this time. We have not personally delivered the certificates to the Homes in a couple of years. If anyone would like to do that, let Jan know, otherwise she will mail them. Jan has not heard anything from Big Springs regarding Christmas.

Diana Ridgway announced this is the 5th year for the Warrior Family Support Center Luncheon at Sam Houston in San Antonio. It is scheduled for Tuesday, March 24. Sign-up sheet is being circulated now. They need the personal information for security checks for all volunteers. Plan to arrive at 11:00 am and we should finish by about 1:30 pm. 225 were served at the last luncheon. Diana explained this activity to our new members and guests.

SPIKES N SPURS

Merrill Ellis reminded us to bring our County items to fill the bag to be raffled. Raffle tickets will be sold at the Hondo sale next week. Merrill asked if anyone would be interested in selling tickets at the upcoming county stock shows (Uvalde, Pearsall, Hondo, etc) or livestock auctions please let her know. Tickets are available for purchase here now.

Holly announced that Stockmen's Bank in Cotulla is donating \$5,000.00 again this year to Spikes and Spurs. She would like to have some of the locals meet at the bank for a publicity picture. Holly will check on the status of the new giant blank check that was being printed.

Priscilla announced that 1 table has already been sold. Tickets for S&S will be printed today. Jan has the letter to send to potential donors. Priscilla has inserts to go with the letter. Let Priscilla know if you need them to include with your vendor payments. Send text or email addresses to Priscilla for e-vites. Link to Eventbrite can be included in the e-vite for ease in ordering tickets.

Priscilla asks us to save spare change and postage stamps to cut down on mailing and printing costs. Jan said we would like to find sponsors to pay for each facet of the event – postage, venue, music, publicity, bar, etc.

PROGRAM

U. S. Border Patrol – Del Rio Sector – Doyle Amidon

Susan J. Kibbe, Executive Director, South Texas Property Rights Association

DATE REMINDERS/NEXT MEETING

February 4 - 7 – NCBA – Henry B. San Antonio

February 18 – Meeting - SALE – Contestant Hospitality Room

March 17 – Meeting – Pan American, Carrizo Springs

March 24 – Warrior Family Support Center

March 27 – 28 - Briscoe “Night of Artists”, San Antonio

March 27 – 29 – TSCRA – Ft. Worth

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 for Program, followed by lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

Susie Waitz