

South Texas Cattlewomen Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 17, 2023  
Trail Boss Event Center – Bandera

Jan Elliott called the meeting to order at 10:18 am. and Kristal Upchurch led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to both the US and Texas flags and Linda Landrum led us in the prayer.

**WELCOMING OF GUESTS/NEW MEMBERS**

Mickey Rohrback – guest of Elaine Cashion  
Lynnlee Surlles – daughter of Kristen and granddaughter of Lea Surlles  
Emily Baucum and Anita Duennenberg – guests of Melody Langston  
Eddie Rowe – guest of Priscilla Parsons  
Sharron Miller and Cathy – guests of Glenda Gaenzel

**SEPTEMBER MINUTES:** Minutes were presented and approved.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Treasurer’s report was presented by Linda Landrum and approved. Linda noted a balance of \$118,972.20.

Jan talked about the need to spend most of that balance and that we need to come up with more places to spend it that will best promote beef consumption. Donating to High School BBQ programs was discussed.

Jan discussed the educational materials available at the Ranch Life Center at the Ranching Heritage Center using “Hank the Cow Dog” and how we should get involved.

Merrill Ellis suggested sponsoring a meal for Internationals at the rodeo, since we are no longer sponsoring the meal for contestants.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Merrill Ellis announced the Yellow Roses (raise money for steer sate at SALE) is having their Rodeo Rehab fundraiser Jan 11 and gently used western stuff will be accepted between 11:30 – 4, with event at 5.

Prayers are requested for Sherry Hayes and Diana Ridgway for their battles with cancer.

Jan reminded us TCW Fall convention is this weekend in Lampasas.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Spikes & Spurs:** Holly stated: S&S will be changed to a more family-oriented event. A restored barn just S of Hondo has been reserved for May 4. A new band has been booked; part of food (fajitas) has been donated as well as some of the alcohol. Those interested in donating anything including labor, gift cards, items to let her or Priscilla know. The name of the event will also be changed to “Heart of the Vaqueros”. Raffle tickets will be sold. 1000 tickets at \$20.00 each were sold this year Some sort of fundraiser will be held at the event, so she is open for donations. Priscilla stated the intention is to have several food stations with different forms of beef. Donations of items are welcome but should be new or valuable Vintage.

**LEGISLATIVE**

Elaine Cashion reviewed the Propositions for the Nov 7 election.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 for Program and Brisket lunch.

**PROGRAM**

Lynnlee Surlles , Dilley High School 4H, spoke on her summer experience as a Tier 1 4H Water Ambassador  
Eddie Rowe – spoke on Spur collecting. Eddie generously donated a \$1500.00 value pair of Spurs to STCW

**DATE REMINDERS/NEXT MEETING**

Nov 14 – STCW meeting, Oasis in Uvalde

Dec 5 – Christmas at Club Giraud, San Antonio

Respectfully submitted by Susie Waitz