

Navidad Valley CattleWomen  
Meeting Minutes  
October 26, 2022

The regular meeting of the Navidad Valley CattleWomen was held on Wednesday, October 26, 2002 at 6:00 pm at Friends on Walnut Street, Columbus. The meeting was called to order by President Tanya Schindler. Susie Shank gave the opening prayer. Members present were Robbie Cole, Ann Daves, Jackie Harker, Caitlin Hoeft, Laramie Kettler (speaker), Tanya Schindler, Susie Shank, Dani Stock, and Suzette Surman. Everyone enjoyed their dutch-treat dinner prepared by Hound Song Brewing Co.

President Tanya Schindler introduced the guest speaker – Laramie Kettler, MS. Laramie is the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service County Extension Agent – Agriculture and Natural Resources for Colorado County. She discussed upcoming events for the area including Colorado County soil testing and the South Central Texas Cow/Calf Clinic in Brenham on October 28. Laramie advised that anyone who wishes to receive the Colorado County Agriculture Newsletter via email can sign-up at <https://colorado.agrilife.org/programs/>. She shared some handouts that are included. She also mentioned the Texas Agriculture Law Blog by Tiffany Lashmet. You can sign up to receive email updates from Tiffany's blog at (<https://agrilife.org/texasaglaw/about/>).

### Officer Reports

**Minutes & Correspondence Secretary** - The minutes were distributed by Jackie Harker via email and Tanya provided hard copies at the meeting. Susie Shank made a motion to accept minutes with second by Dani Stock. The motion carried.

**Treasurer** – Neither Kathy Kutac nor Janet Spies were able to attend the meeting so no report was given.

The Treasurer needs to confirm with bank that NVCW mailing address is the Post Office Box address.

**President** - Tanya Schindler requested information so she can update report due to the State organization.

**Membership & BFFD** - Suzette Surman requested clarification pertaining to new/prospective members. She will update membership spreadsheet and distribute updated listing.

**Promotion & Education** - Caitlin Hoeft has contacted area high school Family Consumer Science teachers regarding Beef to School deliveries. All but one school has responded. Caitlin will contact Glen's Packing for current price on ground beef. She will also order more Texas Beef Council materials to distribute to the schools. No buckle information was available.

**Scholarship** – Since Kay Gibson was unable to attend, Caitlin provided Kay's update that all "new" Counselors and Ag Teachers at the school districts have been updated. Letters will be sent to teachers by November 1, 2022 with updated 2023 Scholarship information on the website.

**Publicity** - Susie Shank submitted bills for reimbursement. She also provided Ranch Run Financials.

### Old Business

**Member of the month** – Susie Shank emailed NVCW's initial Member of the Month spotlight. Please use Susie's spotlight as an example. Please answer the basic questions and provide photos you would like to share.

**Sponsorship for Columbus High School BBQ Cook-off** - This event will be held in the parking lot at Columbus High School on January 27, 2023. Please advise if you would like participate as a judge. NVCW plans to have a banner on display and share Beef Council materials.

**Meat donation to Senior Connections** – NVCW will donate 10 pounds of ground beef, along with Texas Beef Council materials, to Senior Connections. Susie Shank has volunteered to speak to the attendees on November 7, 2022.

### New Business

**Scholarships** – Susie Shank would like NVCW to consider providing scholarship funds to Junior/Senior college/graduate/veterinary students to continue their studies.

**Holiday Gathering/Membership Drive/Donor Ranch Gathering/Scholarship Award Dinner** – Attendees agreed to a potential date of December 29, 2022.

**Possible Fundraiser/Workshop** – Caitlin Hoeft is interested in having a Grilling 101 event.

**Host TCW Meeting** – The next event is scheduled during October 2023. NVCW last hosted this event at Jordan Ranch. Sengelmann Hall (Schulenburg) and Green-Dickson Municipal Park (Shiner) were suggested as possible venues. Further discussions will take place at next month's meeting.

**Healthy Heart Month (February)** – Susie Shank will provide beef recipes to newspapers. Colorado County normally holds a Back to School Bash/Health Fair in June/July.

NVCW's next meeting will be November 16, 2022 at 11:30am at Los Cabos Mexican Grill in Hallettsville.

There being no further business Susie Shank made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Suzette Surman seconded the motion.