## CONNECTICUT POULTRY ASSOCIATION, INC. General Meeting 7 PM, Tuesday, April 30th, 2019 Room 209, George White Building (Animal Science) University of Connecticut, Storrs 06269-4040 http://www.ctpoultry.org <u>MINUTES</u>

**Call to Order and Introductions** – The meeting was called to order at 7:12pm by CPA President Nicole McKay.

**Members Present:** Nicole McKay, Mike Pennington, Rich Ray, Erica Scherzer, AmyJo Labbe, Sean Labbe

**Secretary's Report:** Passed out the minutes from the last meeting (March 5 2019). Minutes accepted at 7:24pm

Treasurer's Report: No report this week, Eleanore is out.

CVMDL: Waiting for next meeting.

MPPU Update: Nothing new

**Legal Food Hub** - Erica forwarded email over to CPA from Peter Chadwick. Included draft documents to form CAPE (Connecticut Agriculture and Poultry Education, Inc.) and a letter about them.

**Web/Social Media Report -** Updated website with events, YouTube Channel, and Eggs in Schools (AEB).

**Cooking Demo Update** - Videos received, full page ad will be out in next quarterly release of Coastal Connecticut Magazine. Coastal has released videos via their social media, ours are currently on our new YouTube Channel.

## **New Business/Updates:**

**New Item (AmyJo Labbe)**: Prize request to Northeast Poultry Congress for junior champion. Last year they gave out a glass jar w candy while adults got trophies, plaques and gifts. I thought we got some gift stuff for this type of stuff. I'd love to see CPA sponsor a nicer gift from the youth because a candy jar was insulting to the teenagers who work so hard. She would be willing to facilitate this as well.

-Clean up and possibly move storage.

-Rich has a cooler to give to AmyJo for prize at New England Bantam. Little Rhodie is next. -Ship to AmyJo to drop off at shows, if we can get things early enough then we would be able to get added to the show's "thank you" area of it's program.

-Use sponsorship money or other monies to help poultry events

-Rich will check out storage area, possible pull out "prizes". Will take pictures of items.

Follow up

- Rich will reach out to Eleanore and take some pictures of the storage area and items. Pull some things out that can be used as gifts/prizes during poultry events.

- Ask AmyJo how the cooler was received by the New England Bantam folks.

**New Item (Nicole McKay):** I would like to talk a bit about having possibly a bio security seminar for all the backyard flocks in CT. With everything that has happened with new castle in CA and the Coryza that is going around in PA. I think it is key to inform people on the importance of biosecurity and keeping everyone's flock healthy.

This way we can get everyone's thoughts on it. Maybe get in touch with all extension offices and work with them that way we can cover the whole state. It's just a thought.

-Who? What? When? - Let's start with the extension folks.

Follow up - Mike will reach out to Joyce Meader to get feedback and go from there.

**New Member Recruitment -** Still in the works.

Next Meeting - Tues June 11 2019 - 7:00PM - Room 209 reserved.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Pennington-Martel, Secretary to the CPA.

All CPA meetings are open to all who have an interest or stake in the poultry industry. All poultry producers are encouraged to attend and provide input to the business of the association.