



Fair Board Meeting Minutes

September 13th, 2022

(August meeting cancelled)

Fair Board Members: Johnny Green, Britt Stubblefield, John Everest, Emily Bowers, Adam Shirley, Jason Gemmer, Nicole McChesney, Tara Zuber ABS: Chet Lawrence

Guests: Barbie Garnett, Mackenzie Rohman, Commissioner Amy Mitchell, Shawn Rohman, Dave Wolfe, Robby Crowder, Ashely Girdo, Dave Wissler

- I. Johnny called the meeting to order at 7:03pm
 - A. **Secretary's Report:** Tara motions to approve Secretary's Report as presented, Nicole second. Motion carried.
 - B. **Treasurer's Report:**
 - No accounts receivable
 - Larry Crego Sheep: sheep sold for than purchased, no cost to use. John motions to pay Larry \$1600 for sheep. Jason second. Motion carried.
- II. **Guests:**
 - A. **Rawhide Rodeo (Dave Wolfe and Robby Crowder):**
 - Great year!
 - Would like to be considered for Ranch Rodeo if we decide to have it again in the future. Fair Board apologized to Dave for not asking him this year and explained what was presented to the board. Nothing personal to him, but agreed to have him put on Ranch Rodeo for next year. Cost for Ranch Rodeo, \$2500. Can get a sponsorship for Ranch rodeo added money and possibly buckles.
 - Ideas for next year: Cattle drive in parade? Possible to move Barrel Race to weekend before to eliminate problems running into overlapping with rodeo production? Patterns for jackpot barrel races are different than CPRA, so was difficult to have Mile High before rodeos.
 - Approached about hosting a bull faturity, no cost to fair board unless we want to add added money for contestants
 - B. **Shawn Rohman (Roping)**
 - Good event considering weather and losing some entries (see handout)
 - Would like to do roping the weekend before the fair, try to help get more entries instead of on a Thursday evening.
 - Will advertise differently
 - Would like to use profits of roping, as a fundraiser, to purchase a permanent Joe Lynch sign for the arena.
 - C. **Ashley Girodo:**
 - **Running for Commissioner for District 3**
 - D. **Dave Wissler**
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E. Amy:

- Working on grant through GOCO for the next step in planning to upgrade fairgrounds

III. Facilities (not present)

- **List of needed improvements:**
 1. Grade Buttermilk property
 2. Get Joe Linch Arena level
 3. Grade Joe Linch with crown in center (high center) to help with water pooling
 4. Need more road base for road thru fairgrounds
- Commissioner Amy Mitchell suggested creating a calendar for needing to be done with deadlines. She will put in requests for things needing to be done.

IV. Mackenzie Report:

- **ATM:** paid \$250 to have on fairgrounds. \$16,600 was taken out over the course of the weekend. Next year look into an ATM that pays back a percentage of money taken out
- **Shavings:** vendor has 179 bags left, she bought them for \$7.59/ea. She is wondering if the Fair Board wants to buy them? Keep them for next year? Britt suggested recommending she donate them to Far View Hose Rescue
- **4-H Horse:** request to move horse show to weekend before?
- **Fair Booklets:** ordered 4000, have lots left over. Next year maybe order less? Businesses in town were running out, maybe have volunteers replenish businesses
- **Vendor Alley:** getting small, working with Chet on new layout. Will be updating map and parking.
- **Pig penning:** Big success!! Everyone loved it! Bring back next year. M&M PIG PENNING
- **Carnival:** donated \$1000 to wrestling team that came and helped work rides, also donated \$1000 back to the fair. Use him next year? Working on what else he could bring.
- **Event Brite:** 81 tickets sold, \$1123.92 gross, \$950 net.
- **Meal Tickets:** need to specify \$ amount on tickets. Next year write on tickets who they are given to (rodeo personnel, sheriff, volunteers, etc.)
- **Stalls:** recommendation for next year, all kids should have to pay for a stall, unless they come to a fair clean up and contribute and help work, their stall is free. Have 4-H leaders be in charge of kids showing up to fair clean up days
- **Email from Brian Drumm-** received several emails regarding issues with Mile High Barrels. For complaints to be officially considered they need to submit a \$50 fee. Britt spoke with Carol, and Brian Drumm was refusing to fill out the tax form for the money won, which was the reason he had not yet received the money.
- **CAFS:** Mackenzie felt last years experience as CAFS was not beneficial for her. There is another event, Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs and Shows in Utah

Nov 9-11. Seems much more informative. John motions to approve travel, registrations and per diem for trip to Utah, Emily second. Motion carried.

V. Fair Overview:

A. John:

- **Bath houses:** didn't work, no hot water. Replaced with bathroom. Will give us 25% discount for next year. They are scheduled for the 11th-16th.
- **Media Vine:** need additional microphone for fair barn. Estimate sent out. Adam motions to spend the \$2700 for new microphone, Tara second. Motion carried.
- Would like to get laptop to run DVD/slideshows on the TV's in fair barn.

B. Adam:

- Need more help with set-up and clean-up. Look at hiring temps?

C. Barbie:

- **Website:** Stacey updated, willing to do a training for anyone that would like to take it over. Fair board would like to keep her on staff and pay her the \$40/hr when ever we need something updated.
- **Open class:** Would like to reach out to the Park county Creative Alliance to help with the open classes.

D. Britt:

- **Need new bleachers-** most bleachers cost \$100-\$125/seat. Can reach out to local stores to advertise to raise the \$ for new bleachers (round up to nearest \$\$)
- **Rocks in arenas-** company in Cheyenne has a beach cleaner that can pick up rocks. \$1200 + mileage there and back to do Joe Linch arena. Will talk more with him.
- Need to consider purchasing another piece of equipment for fairgrounds. What is most beneficial to have?

E. Emily:

- **Far View Horse Rescue:** Re-visiting from previous meeting, donate \$ to them to apologize for arena/event mix-up with Royalty Gymkhana. John motions to donate \$500 to Far View Horse Rescue, Britt second. Motion carried.
- **Royalty:** silent auction during fair brought in over \$1000. Working on scheduling photo shoot for autograph cards with Ryan with Park summit Digital media. "Grill Your Ace off" Competition this Saturday at Moore Lumber in Pine. All meat has been donated.
- **Thank you Cards:** started list during meeting. Please come with any more suggestions at the next meeting.

F. John:

- Have fair board member in charge of shutting down generators every night. Leave Joe Linch lights on at night instead of the generators, will help save on fuel.

G. Tara:

- Reserving fairgrounds: Alice and Kaylee sent email to facilities about next year for the Livestock show and still have not yet heard back.
- Get permanent sign for fairgrounds entrance.

H. Mackenzie:

- Walk thru man gate or drive thru gate to get to the Sinclair
- Thank you dinner for sponsors and buyers. Help get everyone excited for next year. At fairgrounds, have food truck, band, everyone could pick up their sponsor packets.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05pm. Minutes submitted by Emily Bowers, Fair Board Secretary