

Uinta County Fair Board

Minutes

May 4, 2022

Uinta County Fair Office, Evanston, Wyoming

I. Call to Order:

- ❖ 7:07 p.m. by Brandon Day, President

II. In Attendance:

- ❖ Joel Giorgis, Becky Lupher, Pete Lym, Andy Rollins, Brandon Day, Josh Davis, Brent Hatch, Suzie Holmes, McKenna Brinton, Mindi Tollefson, Rachelle Saxton, Katie Labrum

III. Agenda:

- ❖ Approved as presented

IV. Minutes:

- ❖ Amend the April 13 minutes by adding Mindi Tollefson and Rachelle to the list in attendance, and file as presented.

V. Financials:

- ❖ To be filed as presented
- ❖ Becky asked Mindi to reach out to the people who haven't cashed checks from last year's fair to see if they have been lost or if they will cash them.

VI. Public Input: None

VII. Committee Reports

- ❖ **Livestock Sale Committee:** None
- ❖ **FFA/4-H:** It was decided that the 4-H horse show will be using the AQHA rules for fair. This is what is used at the state fair level. FFA and 4-H are in charge of the Round Robin contest, this includes getting the judges, the Fair Board will buy the buckles. The 4-H also talked about the possibility of not having chickens at the fair because of Bird Flu. We will know more about this at the end of May.
- ❖ **Commissioner Comments:** Commissioner Hatch reported that the people doing the tomahawk throw wanted to move it closer to the center of the fair. We put it in the small arena for safety reasons. The Rotary breakfast will be from 9:00 to 11:00. Mindi spoke with Jeff Breininger he doesn't want to help with the pinewood derby. The pinewood derby track needs to be set up on tables or on a stage, this makes it so it doesn't get stepped on. We have contacted the Lumber Yard to see if they can get us cars. Commissioner Hatch also reported that he has a meeting with the City of Evanston about the arena bleachers. He wants to propose the city pay ½ and the county pay ½. He asked Josh to get him his paperwork for the cost of the bleachers.
- ❖ **Maintenance:** None

- ❖ **Fair Staff:** Mindi asked if we could have a watermelon and hotdog day at the fair, it was decided that if these items could be donated then it would be a great idea. Showworks will need to be renewed. This will be happening soon. The fairbook is coming along nicely. Rachelle has been working hard. Sponsor letters were reviewed and the letters were accepted as written. It was decided to keep the fair entries as they are with the limit on numbers. Evanston Lodging Tax Board meeting is on May 16th. The paperwork is due on May 10th. Camping spots were reviewed and the camping applications will be posted online. The lottery draw will happen at the next fair board meeting by a computer program.

VIII. Old Business:

- ❖ **Dance Companies:** Some companies are excited, and saying yes - one group wants to teach swing class lesson
- ❖ **Kids Day:** I talked to Jim Bridger FFA and she said she is short handed. It was decided to contact some youth groups, to see if they are interested in being in charge of kids day.

Contract Labor

- ❖ **Charlie Jenkins:** We are still waiting on his contract. We can't book sound and light until we have his contract. The concert time is TBA. This event will be held in the large arena.
- ❖ **No Contracts:** for ArenaX, Pig Wrestling, Truck and Tractor Pulls
- ❖ **Ticket Prices** will stay the same as last year, \$35.00 for POP tickets.
- ❖ **Scholarships:** Becky Motioned to pay \$500.00 for each scholarship,(Emalee Bugas, Isabella Johnson, Katie Labrum, Cassidy Hewitt, Katie Giorgis) Andy seconded, passed. Scholarship awards ceremony for EHS 5/10, 2:00, MVHS 5/16, 6:00, LHS 5/17, 9:30.
- ❖ **Jim Bridger FFA** (1000.00), **Evanston Express** (1500.00), & **Search and Rescue** (1500.00) are all planning on helping with the fair.
- ❖ **Judges:** The Fair office has a list of judges and they are working on contacting them.
- ❖ **Health inspections:** Will be due the same as entries July 20, 2022.

IX. New Business:

- ❖ **Catch it Calf** - 4-H takes care of all of this.
- ❖ **Adding a dance:** We talked about having a dance another night and we reviewed the schedule. It was decided that we review the fair this year and pay attention to the events to see if there is a time we could add a dance.
- ❖ **Radio Advertising:** We are going to wait until the next meeting to discuss this, we have applied for the lodging tax grant.
- ❖ **Brand inspections:** We discussed the information that we received from Jordan, we still have more questions for him. We would like Jordan and Piper to come to the next meeting to answer questions.
- ❖ We discussed making our own website and we think it is better that we stay with the arrangement that we have for now.
- ❖ The 4-H also talked about the possibility of not having birds at the fair because of bird influenza. We are on a 120 day hold, we will know more about this at the end of May.
- ❖ We are still trying to find a mechanical bull.
- ❖ **Digital Payments:** It has been approved that we set up a VENMO account. We are in the process of setting it up.

Our next meeting will be held in Mountain View, at the Mountain View Town Hall at 7:00

Meeting Adjourn @ 8:24 (Pete motioned Andy seconded, meeting adjourned)