

Fair Board Meeting

CAM-PLEX Office Board Room

January 17th, 2023 - 6:00pm

Marilyn Christensen
Stephanie Styvar
Dana Trevino
Doug Griffis
Sabrina Jafek
Niki Hensley

Trevor Lynde - Absent
Liz Edwards
J.D. Gray
Ellen Leshner
Casey Styvar
4-H/FFA Members

Derek Hensley
Kim Fry
Casey Styvar
Aleesha Myers
Sharon Adels
Alicia Lodvedt

Shellie Hensley
Aleesha Myers
Treasure Boller
Nick Cockburn
Jamie Cockburn

Vice-Chairperson, J.D. Gray called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. J.D. welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited them to introduce themselves.

Minutes ~ Marilyn Christensen moved to accept the minutes from the December 20th, 2022, meeting. Dana Trevino seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Reports ~ Extension Office / 4-H ~ Kim Fry reported their office is planning multiple classes and programs including Clover Buds, 4-H 101, young leaders, nutrition, sports fishing, leathercraft, and cake decorating. Also, scheduling spring into summer events including rodeo, livestock judging, 4-H camp, and summer day camp. Kim invited everyone to their Chili Bingo night on January 28th and the 4-H educator interviews, public forum for the open position on January 25th.

Fair Coordinator ~ Liz Edwards reported the Youth Livestock Sale mandatory meeting dates are in Wright Jr./Sr. High cafeteria on Monday, April 24th at 6:30pm, Gillette CAM-PLEX Central Pavilion on Monday, April 25th at 4:30pm and 6:30pm, and Gillette CAM-PLEX Central Pavilion on Wednesday, May 3rd at 2:30pm, 4:30pm, and 6:30pm. Liz reported the beef tags did arrive and due to the delayed delivery, the tagging requirements are extended to February 13th, 2023. The ownership deadline remains the same on February 1st, 2023 and will be the last day to pick up tags. Liz reminded the Board members of the upcoming Board Training on February 22nd or 23rd, 2023, which was re-scheduled from a previous cancelation.

Old Business ~ Entertainment ~ Liz reviewed the entertainment bookings and asked for ideas for the Wednesday night event. Discussion was held.

2023 Fair Schedule ~ J.D. reviewed the two proposed schedule changes for livestock shows and animal drop offs. J.D. and Liz asked for additional comments from 4-H, FFA, superintendents, and parents. Doug moved to approve proposal number one, switching the swine show to Friday, August 4th, 2023, and the beef show to Saturday, August 5th, 2023. Marilyn seconded the motion. Discussion was held. Motion passed.

New Business ~ Youth Awards ~ Jamie Cockburn commented on awarding a belt buckle to each white face, speckled face, and black face market sheep class overall winner and has a sponsor(s) to donate towards these awards. Niki Hensley explained the Youth Awards program, being consistent with all species, and the sponsors may request a specific established award, not already reserved. Discussion was held. The Board agreed the awards program must stay consistent between species. Jamie may provide awards for these classes with her sponsors; however, the awards can't be belt buckles and there will be no involvement with the Youth Awards program. Niki commented due to the recent supply and demand concerns on receiving awards in a timely manner prior to fair, the Youth Awards will start awarding cash every year, instead of the rotation of traditional, supplies, and cash. The established belt buckles and banners will continue to be awarded.

Credit Card Options ~ Nick Cockburn commented on the convenience for businesses to utilize a credit card at the Youth Livestock Sale (YLS). Liz explained the history of keeping the cost low for the exhibitors for operating the Youth Livestock Sale. Liz commented this has been discussed more the past few years, and she will be establishing an option to process a payment with a credit card for the YLS. The businesses/buyers will have the option to pay by check or process a credit card payment with the estimated 3% additional processing charge added to their bill.

2023 Fair Theme & Colors ~ Liz presented the popular suggested theme “Fairadise” and colors. Stephanie Styvar moved to have the 2023 Fair theme “Fairadise” with Hawaiian colors. Doug seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Election of Officers ~ J.D. presented the slate of officers’ procedure and recommendation for secretary/treasurer from the Nominating committee: Chairperson J.D. Gray, Vice-Chairperson Trevor Lynde, and Secretary/Treasure Dana Trevino. Doug moved to accept the slate of officers and recommendation from the committee as presented. Marilyn seconded the motion. Motion passed. J.D. commented the By-Laws committee will be assigned and meet prior to the next regular meeting.

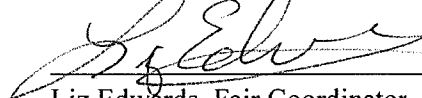
Treasurer’s Report ~ Liz presented the vouchers and current budget report. Marilyn moved to accept the vouchers. Sabrina Jafek seconded the motion. Motion passed. Liz shared the upcoming 23-24 fiscal year budget planning message from the Commissioners and scheduled the Fair Board Budget meeting for March 6th, 2023, at 6:00pm.

Meeting Adjourned ~ J.D reviewed the future board meeting schedule and adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.



Dana Trevino, Secretary/Treasurer

Respectfully Submitted,



Liz Edwards, Fair Coordinator