## Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board Minutes July 13, 2022

**Board Members Present:** Brad Ray, John Merriott, Katie Bageant, Teresa Chrisman, Justine Winn **Members Absent**: Cody Murdock, Brian Gunning, Lindsey Smith **Friends of the Fair**: Bryce Bailey, James Llewellyn, Grayson Sawyer, Jolynn Ray **Others Present**: Dawn Canfield, Jason Schaffer

Meeting called to order at 6:38 pm.

Minutes from June were approved.

Dawn provided updates on the progress of the concert with the stage and crowd management services. The stage and backline have been reserved for the Thursday event. She is still waiting to hear from Dave Christiansen with Starplex Crowd Management about providing services for ticket booths and the concert.

Dawn mentioned that the Department of Agriculture sent out information, with a recommendation from the WA State Veterinarian, that all poultry shows should be canceled until 30 days after the last known reported case of Bird Flu in Washington State. Discussion followed. The final decision was to cancel Poultry entries for this year.

Dawn mentioned that she has had problems with the ShoWorks working on only 32-bit Microsoft Office programs. She suggested that for next year online entries changing to Fair Entry as this is a web-based software and can be accessed from any computer in the office. Discussion will continue further after this year's Fair & Rodeo.

Brad went over the last items on the list from the end of the last year's Fair & Rodeo. Discussion started about locking out the main electrical box next to the Arena office. Last year a young man pulled the handle, and all the lights went out in the Arena. Jason will make sure the electrical box is secured before the start of the Fair & Rodeo.

Bryce mentioned he will take care of the hay for the rough stock.

Discussion started about the lack of packers available for buyers for the livestock auction. Final decision was made that Katie would post on the Fair Facebook page asking kids who will be selling animals at the livestock auction to start contacting packers now.

Discussion started about the beer garden and the arena during the concert on Thursday. Jason will need to set up a few more panels to keep the flow of the beer garden and arena separate from the general admission tickets who will be in the grandstands.

Bryce will talk with Tucker Cool about the delivery of the rough stock and the day and time rough stock will be delivered to the grounds.

Dawn will talk to City Hall to ensure that stock trailers can still be parked at the Airport.

Discussion started about how to handle the flow of livestock trailers dropping off animals on move in day on Wednesday. The final decision was to have the trailers enter in the front gate and exist from the back gate. Dawn mentioned that the livestock trailers coming in the front gate need to be aware of the vendors setting up and other exhibitors who are dropping off exhibits in the buildings in the Midway.

Katie will find out about getting a pig for the Pig Scramble.

Discussion started about how the crowd management personnel will be able to identify Fair Advisory Board and Friends of the Fair members. Brad suggested purchasing magnetic name badges for everyone. Dawn will look into this option.

Bryce provided an update on the Junior Rodeo from last month. The rodeo set record in the Northwest for Junior Rodeos. There were 213 contestants.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

The next meeting will be August 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Samantha Canfield WSU Extension/Lincoln County Fairgrounds Office Manager