

Lincoln County Fair Advisory Board Minutes March 1, 2023

Board Members Present: Brad Ray, Justine Winn, Katie Bageant, Lindsey Smith, John Merriott, Cody Murdock, Susan Aldridge

Members Absent: Teresa Chrisman, Anthony Wicks; Judy Samek

Friends of the Fair: James Llewellyn, Joe Chimienti, Libby Murdock

Others Present: Dawn Canfield

Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm.

Minutes for January approved.

Brad mentioned Tucker will not be available to announce during the rodeo and to find a new announcer we will need to increase the fee for the announcer. Discussion started about the fee. The discussion also included the fee for the rough stock. Hailey Cool will still be the secretary for the rodeo. **Motion:** John made a motion to increase the announcer fee to \$3,000 and the rough stock fee to \$8,000.00. Lindsey 2nd. Motion passed.

Brad said that he and Bryce had a previous discussion about who will be responsible for various payments for the rodeo. The decision was for The Friends of the Fair will pay the judges and timers fees as well the secretary fees. The Fair & Rodeo will be responsible for the fee payments of the stock and the announcer.

Katie received a letter from the Colville Drill Team. They would like to perform during the rodeo. Discussion started. To keep the rodeo within a certain time frame, the drill team needs to keep the performance to 10 minutes. The discussion turned to limiting the number of chute dogging entries to 8 or 10 and the remaining entries in the Friday night slack. The discussion also included limiting the number of entries in all categories. **Motion:** Justine made a motion to limit the performance time of the drill team and to limit the number of entries in each category for the rodeo to 10 entries. Susan 2nd. Motion passed.

Katie will confirm the fees for the Colville Drill Team and find out if they are available to perform on Friday and Saturday.

Brad asked Dawn about the survey discussed at the January meeting. Dawn said she had a few questions pulled together and shared those questions with the Board. Discussion started about sending out the survey to the public now or waiting until after the Fair & Rodeo. The overall decision was to wait until after the Fair & Rodeo. Brad asked Dawn to send the questions to all Board members.

Justine suggested having a QR code with the survey available during the Fair & Rodeo for fairgoers to use while at the Fair & Rodeo. The survey would help to plan for 2024.

Lindsey suggested a dog agility group for entertainment during the Fair & Rodeo. Lindsey will check with a group she knows.

Discussion turned to bands for Friday and Saturday performances. Lindsey will contact an 80's band she saw in Odessa at Deutschefest. Susan mentioned a band she saw in Spokane at Pig Out in the Park.

Brad mentioned that Bryce has information about a grant offered by AgWest. Brad and Bryce had talked about applying for the grant to fix the announcer stand and VIP area. Brad asked Dawn to look into the grant.

Justine said the Queen needs new chaps. Discussion started about what items for the Queen are paid out of the Fair & Rodeo budget. The decision was to talk to the Friends of the Fair about purchasing the chaps and the buckle, sash and crown would be paid by the Fair & Rodeo budget. Justine will get a price for the chaps to Bryce.

Dawn asked for advice for the FFA department. The superintendent for the department, Rick Perleberg, has not had contact with Dawn for a few years. Dawn said she does not receive an answer from him when she sends out superintendent letters and is not sure if he is even interested in the superintendent position for the department. Brad said that he would contact Perleberg. Brad mentioned that he wanted to talk to Perleberg about having the FFA have a robot battle as entertainment.

Dawn gave the Board members a copy of the general rules, livestock rules and camping rules to look over and have any changes ready to present at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

The next meeting will be April 12th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Samantha Canfield

WSU Extension/Lincoln County Fairgrounds Office Manager