

Asotin County Fairboard Special Meeting Minutes November 4th, 2020

Meeting Called to Order at 6:00pm

Sales Committee: Warren expressed concerns, The livestock sale is so well attended, will it still work if it is just online. Will the community still be there to help?

Nez Perce Co Fair: Judy said they did a drive by drop off for still life exhibits, but could not do a display for the public to come and look at.

Beef came in one day then left came back next day to take care of animals. Swine were split up ½ in morning and ½ in afternoon. Quality was one day and fitting & showing the next day. Had two rings for swine and two judges for fitting & showing. Rabbits and Poultry were in outside barn came in and left. Sheep at one time then did goats. Wash racks were monitored and allowed 1st class to show in wash racks first etc. and it was get in get out.

Face coverings were wore in groups-went well with the kids. Adults wore face masks. Limited to only member, siblings, parents, and grandparents to watch. They gave out 1200 wrist bands to monitor gate attendance.

Had a livestock sale. Hybrid and live auction on line and some buyers in bleachers. Kids could not go out to thank the buyers in the bleachers. Families and friends could watch on the screens they had set up. Online sale worked really well. A must is internet and hotspot for online auction. Idaho Forest Group had 2-live feeds for them and could watch on Facebook. Live feed on beef, one on swine and one on sheep and goats. Need a zoom account so that the people that can't be there can watch.

Communication is key factor to success. Takes a lot of work and working together. But worth it-went great.

Animals were shown outside. Weather a key factor also to consider.

No Vendors and they were missed.

Have someone take pictures of the still life exhibits record and then put on web site and extension office site.

Cost for 3-hours to have live auction was around \$2500.00 and then \$500.00 an hour if went over.

Nez Perce County charges a flat rate of \$25.00 per animal.

Nez Perce County had no open class just 4-H and FFA.

Their Sales Committee paid for all expenses for the sale & live auction. Fairboard paid for Security, Judges, Premiums, and to feed people to.

Nez Perce County had two portable hand wash/sanitizer stations, also had hand sanitizer available everywhere, had outside restrooms plus mad a special hallway to just access inside bathrooms. Had someone onsite to monitor bathrooms. Had 6 restrooms available.

Had camper spots available for families and paid for spots.

No entry fee charged.

Live auctions companies need to book early. Need to start looking now.

Sales Committee had a face book page as well as Nez Perce County had Facebook page one of the parents was in charge of to update constantly, pictures info about sale. No kids last names, no town they live in, and no club they are in need to protect their identity. Had to sign a waiver also.

They still did stall cards, pictures and some posters, no real decorations in barns.

They had Adults/Parents walking around barns to monitor and checking on everything.

If you have an outside ring you can have more people there. Asotin could possibly use rodeo arena to show, and use temporary outside show arenas.

Stagger cleaning times for kids to come in and clean pens and take care of animals. ½ in morning and ½ in afternoon.

Latah County Fair: Mike said they applied for grants for safety precaution equipment, such as mask.

They had an online auction, they did an educate the buyers on how the systems works. Was like an E bay auction.

Extension Office: Mark H. hand out a Phase two Agricultural fair event flier.

Need to have detailed plans with the health department and Commissioners. Need to talk to the schools if open or closed, if kids attend show, etc.

Meeting adjourned.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Hansford". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.