

Asotin County Fair Board Meeting Minutes March 6th, 2024

Call meeting to order 6:00pm

Excuse Any Absent Fair Board Members-all present

4-H/FFA Boosters/Cattlemen-none present

Superintendents- Peggy reached out to FFA advisors about having a FFA superintendent for FFA entries. Peggy sent information regarding judging, entry information and display help to both advisors to see if they can help find someone. We did not have one last year, and the 4-H people did it. Jamie will text Glen to see if he has anyone in mind for the ag-mechanics judge.

Extension Office- Jeanene discussed the process of using the scanners and Peggy stated if we use the scanners, we will need to write in the book what was scanned and write what was the top award etc. Arlene said the award winners will need to be added in the books regardless if they are scanned or not. Barb said she can show Jeanene the page in the front of the book we fill out with award winners.

Peggy said no dog entries have been entered in fair entry yet. Dog show is a week away.

Open to public

Kyle Albright-asked if he could install a man gate in the perimeter fence of the parking lot where 4-H camper parking is for his personal use as they just built a house on the other side. Peggy said he would need to create a proposal and we would submit it to the commissioners.

Approve Minutes from 2/28/2024- approved as corrected

Royalty 2024-Went to the Now you have the Crown clinic in Walla Walla. She learned about rodeo rules and learned about PRCA. She learned about social media and how to properly present yourself, modeling, and speaking. Coming up she has pictures with her horses. Next weekend she will be attending the Horseman's Ball for Lewiston Roundup.

Rodeo- Committee member animal welfare-need a person in charge of animal welfare? Discussion was had and it was decided John Hildebrand is who we will refer people concerned about animal welfare to.

90 local business sponsorships this year and a little over 89K in sponsorship money this year.

Lewiston Roundup is going to come and help with the rodeo again this year.

New signs have been ordered for a few new sponsors and a few updated signs have also been ordered.

EMT contract is completed.

Whitman Co. Sherriff Posse has a contract and are meeting to discuss it.

Shirts are ordered. Jackets-discussion surrounding which style to go with.

Shuttle Buses-Jamie called Clarkston and they are not interested. So as of now we do not have shuttle buses. Discussion was had about other businesses with rentals we could use.

Vendors-Discussion was had of where to place vendors on the main level.

Approval needed for: Ei ei ei oo ranch (beef sticks etc), Asotin Co. Health Dept (COVID test, condoms, etc), Jewels for Life, Sunglass Hut. Discussion was had to decline Health department and approve the others. Jamie made a motion to approve all but Asotin Co. Health department Shan 2nd. Approved

Arlene asked how many food vendors do we have: Jamie named off a wide variety of different types of foods.

Up top vendor- Jamie made a motion to approve the other vendor that sells the same type of items as vendor from last year as a backup in case original vendor doesn't pay. Shan 2nd. Approved.

Contracts needing approved- Asotin Co search and rescue will return for as per normal rate of \$1500, Jamie made motion to accept, Arlene 2nd. Passed.

Handbook Going to Print- changes to the handbook need in asap. Peggy will review last changes on Saturday at workday.

Supplies Needed: Fair Checks- need more for this fair, AA Batteries- need for thermostat, Numbers for breakfast banner- made at Printcraft, Shan needs wristbands, printer ink, neon paper. Barb needs \$50 for name badges for superintendents. Jamie said red glitter gloss spray paint is also needed. Shan made a motion to approve Barb to be reimbursed up to \$50, Peggy 2nd. Passed.

Jamie made a motion Peggy can spend up to \$150 on a printer and be reimbursed. Shan 2nd. Passed.

Chris Seubert-not present

By-Law Changes- Proposed changes were discussed and members will review and discuss at next meeting.

Old Business: Deep fat fryers- are donated by Happy Day. Mike is working on getting them to the fairgrounds.

Ann Norman-WA State Fair Commission-our fair will not have a state fair judge this year; we will be judged in 2025.

Janitorial cleaning- \$2995- 5 workers and will do the fair and horse show weekend. Story Janitorial Services is the business. Chad made a motion as long as they are licensed, bonded and insured we accept, Shan 2nd. Passed.

New Business: Arlene- not getting plants from Patt's this year for the fairgrounds. Arlene will be taking care of the planters herself this year. Jamie suggested reaching out to Janice since she is on the master gardeners and see if they would be interested in doing something.

Arlene stated they are missing metal pitchers out of the cupboards in the Bennett Building.

Arlene said Ike would like a \$2000 deposit for the ribbon order. Barb made a motion we give \$2000 deposit, Steve 2nd, Passed.

Vanessa Adams- Nez Perce Co Fair Manager, April 8th or 9th, Rocky Mtn Tours of Fairs-wanted to know if we wanted to be a part of it? Tabled to next meeting until date confirmed.

Adele Murray- Remi Murray- wanted to know if we wanted to use the shared gate quick access for the fairgrounds during the fair and wanted to discuss weed control along shared fence. Steve will discuss with her.

Concrete work for pig alleyway will start tomorrow.

Asotin Co Conservation District did a MOU instead of a contract, basically a 10 year and they will cover cost of implementation and they will maintain. They will provide plants, walking path, plans for play area. Fair board to supply water during growing season. Barb made a motion to accept, Jamie 2nd. Passed.

Camper spots up top 100% filled. Superintendents are due by this Sunday, waiting on 2.

Bull Buttons- Arlene hasn't started yet. April 10th is the due date we need them by for sponsors.

Royalty stalls-discussion surrounding how many stalls will be needed for visiting royalty was had. Jadeyn will be bringing both of her horses and taking two stalls in the main royalty barn.

Chad discussed needing another dedicated laptop for the fairgrounds. Jamie made a motion for Chad to discuss his needs with Chris Kemp and spend up to 1k on a laptop, Shan 2nd. Passed.

Peggy discussed the sales committee contract. Discussion was had regarding their request surrounding camper spots and what we can accommodate on the fairgrounds.

Workday March 9th-Upper Level-9am-Potluck, (Lower Level-is Beef Field day.)

Meeting Adjourned at 7:57pm

Next Meeting Date: March 13th , 2024, 6:00pm Commissioners Chambers