

## Asotin County Fair Board Meeting Minutes May 8th, 2024

Call meeting to order 6:00pm

Excuse Any Absent Fair Board Members- Barb and Shan are absent-Arlene made motion, Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup> Passed

Open to the Public- Elane wants to thank Steve, Arlene and Chad for the outstanding job they did at the fair. Elane said the walkway between the buildings is falling down, Plug in in Boyd where Pepsi machine plugs in is not attached to the wall. Elane said the bathroom toilets were plugging multiple times and the cleaning person was not available.

Colby said he would like to thank the board for the great job with the fair. He would like to know how we would like to request a change to the fair in regards to the fair dates. He would like to discuss moving the fair ahead a day to move away from Sunday.

4-H/FFA Boosters/Cattlemen- Charlotte reports she didn't attend and doesn't have anything to report.

Superintendents- Arlene said she was down in some areas in their hall, she commends her supers for their work. She is going to schedule a meeting to review book changes and anything else they are looking to change for next year.

Colby reports that for beef he would like to look at a couple more additions and coverage for the breeding barn.

Elane asks if Boyd has a building budget? Display stands need replaced as some are very old. Could they buy new appliances and cookware for the demos that are completed in the building? Chad said there is a budget and we would need a list of what is needed.

Mike reports that the fair needs to look into some chrome books for fair results entry, instead of supers bringing their personal computers into the dusty environment. He would also like to look into getting the hog wash racks replaced.

Extension Office- Jeanene says thank you for all the hard work and to the superintendents for hosting the shows. A lot of feedback on the fairbook, she plans on getting together with the people who had ideas on changes to review.

Sales Committee- Warren said the fair board did an excellent job. He said it was one of the smoothest fairs so far. One suggestion for next year move the tables and chairs in the gravel further from the sales office. He said it was a little cluttered when buyers were getting numbers. He also reported that there was a glitch on Thursday at noon with the scale which delayed the start of weigh in a bit. He reports that the scale had to be recalibrated due to a button on the scale being moved that uncalibrated the scale. April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 the scale was certified per the sticker.

Jamie asked if they still plan on meeting with us to discuss the next years contract. Warren said August would be good.

Approve Minutes from 4-10-2024- stand approved as corrected.

## Treasurer's Report-nothing to report

Horse Show- Nicole reported the horse show is this weekend. Help is appreciated for setting up the trail courses. All other items have been taken care of. Peggy reported she and Jadeyn would be there for Jadeyn to hand out awards. Nicole stated that 0745 would be sufficient. Peggy stated the horses would need to be parked down in the main parking lot. Nicole said they have not done that the past 7 years and all clubs are notified to clean up after their horses on the upper lot. Peggy stated that when it was chip sealed the county said horses couldn't be on it as when they paw they ruin it. Nicole said parking in the lower lot is a safety concern as the young kids have to cross the street with cars and 1200lb animals and not all horses are ok with that. Chad mentioned that if we had them parked in the main lot we would need to close the street. Nicole also mentioned that there are multiple saddle changes kids have to do and to go back and forth is a hindrance. Nicole also mentioned that there is no loud system at the main parking lot for them to hear what classes are being called. Chris Seubert said he wasn't aware of any rule that said the horses couldn't be on the chip seal but knew all hay and poop needed to be cleaned up so it didn't go into the storm water drain. Chris said he would ask about the chip seal rule. Jamie said it is too late to change it for this year but we may need to look at the changes for next year. Nicole said there will be 26 horse trailers there this year and if we wanted to open the main gates if people can't fit on the upper level then they can park below. Steve said he would have the gates unlocked. Nicole said all members and leaders received an email with all the rules about not riding horses on the asphalt and the requirement for cleaning up after their horses everywhere including stalls, pavement and walkways. Peggy asked Jeanene to add her to that email list so she get those emails. Nicole also mentioned that they have a riders meeting at 0745 before the show where they again go over the rules.

Royalty-Jadeyn reports she did our rodeo and also attended the Clarkston rotary luncheon. She spoke about herself and what made her want to do royalty. She attended Riggins rodeo last weekend and won Favorite Royalty award. Upcoming events she has the horse show this weekend and May 18<sup>th</sup> she is going to Waitsburg. May 25<sup>th</sup> Theon Military Flag Ceremony.

Jamie handed out her letter of recommendation for Jadeyn for Miss Rodeo Oregon.

Rodeo Recap- we had one of the best rodeos in a long time. The stands were packed all three days. Shan has started negotiations with P9 for next year.

Jeff is working on changing some items in the runways that were suggested by P9. Chad said some of the chutes were damaged and will need to be repaired. He also said we will have to do something to keep people from going back behind the chutes and to keep them off the hillside.

Chad said he wanted to call out Jeff and Steve for building the new sheep chutes that are awesome.

Fair board Officer Nominations-Jamie nominated the same people, vote in June.

Fair Recap- Gates were up from last year. Carnival- this was the second best year we had. Breakfast around 375 came through.

Peggy said the parade went well except not informing the city that we changed the lineup location. 62 entries.

Nicole mentioned the pick up of small animals needs changed. She said it was a disaster in the back with people trying to drive in from the back get animals. Chad also mentioned the front gate was left wide open and he had to go up and man it and only let the transport trailers through.

Chris Seubert- suggested to have Colby set up a committee to discuss changing the dates of fair. Chris said this will allow to take items off the fair board's plate. Next meeting Chris said we can hook Jadeyn up to the phone system. He suggested looking into something like Top Hands for the fair and rodeo.

Old Business: Chad received the estimate from Moonlight for the lower sound, all buildings, barns and outside \$27,703.48. Includes all tax, labor and boom rental. We can pair it down if needed. He also asked them to quote displays, video displays that show what is happening in the buildings. Monitor in each building and outside fair office (all weather displays) \$14603.84, includes all cabling and mounts.

New Business: Nicole reported there are no more 4-H blue ribbons.

Chad would like to do something for Jeff again this year for taking care of the arena, Chad made a motion to buy a \$100 certificate to Roosters, Jamie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.

Executive Session- executive session called 7:26pm, executive session 7:37pm.

Workday-May 19th at 9am- clean up banners to take down, reserved spots signs, white chairs in bennett building, banner on the back of the stage.

Meeting Adjourned at 744pm

Next Meeting Date: June 12th, 2024, 6:00pm Commissioners Chambers