



June 11, 2024

Fair Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Jerry Johnson, Elise Burton, Linda Rider, Kevin Kirking, Sharon Nelson, Mike Mclean, Jessica Mclean, Todd Fuesier, Dave Paul, Madison Sotin, Nick White, Christine White, Commissioner Brooks, Bobbi Brooks, Vanessa Brinkley, Hannah Booth, Blake Mclean, Greg Bennett, Shanda Masterson, and Alexcia Jordan.

Meeting minutes recorded by Alexcia.

Called to order at 5:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: led by Jerry Johnson

Changes to the Agenda

- None

Hearing of Delegates

- Commissioner Brooks and his wife Bobbi brought in her blue-ribbon cherry pie to celebrate his first in person meeting since his surgeries. He shared he would like to bring to light rumors of moving the fairgrounds and help put a stop to them by hosting a Town Hall Meeting on July 10th. He noted what a great job the fair has done to be self-sustaining and provide exceptional events year-round that enhance our community.

Approval of May Meeting Minutes

- Linda moved to accept the May meeting minutes as presented; Sharon second. Motion carried.

Reading of Correspondence

- Alexcia passed around a letter of thanks from Michaela Woempner.

Claims and Financial Statements

- Elise moved that usual and customary claims to be paid; Kevin second. Motion carried.

Manager's Report

- See attached report.

Old Business

- Special Award Selection – Alexcia shared nominations, board voted on their decision. Awards will be ordered and write ups completed by Alexcia for announcement in the Fair Event Guide.
- Audit Update – Elise reported we have engaged with Frucci. The cost will be between \$17,500 and \$20,000. Deanna and Alexcia are moving forward with getting things scheduled.
- Office Building – Alexcia reported in the Manager's Report a delay in taking possession of the building due to a fire, City of CDA will need to occupy the building a bit longer but we will still move forward with the purchase.
- Grounds Lease Update – Alexcia reported meeting with the Commissioner's went well, seems we have two in favor but legal needs to make some additional changes. Commissioner Duncan would like us to have a Master Plan Workshop, Alexcia will work on scheduling.

New Business

- New Hires – Alexcia had our new hires introduce themselves and welcomed them to the team.

Committee Reports

- Food/Beverage – Jerry reported we are working with Watkins and the Foundation on a Brewfest and has Stein hoisting returning
- Development/Planning – No report.
- Educational Programming – Linda reported Farm Bureau donated a fiberglass cow for our Farm Park educational area.
- Finance & Budget – Discussion regarding promoters untimely payments of their events and action to be taken.
- Facility, Equipment & Maintenance – Tim discussed tractor purchase and setting a meeting to discuss partial trade. Greg reported on many projects around the grounds.
- Jr. Fair Advisory Board – Blake reported they are looking forward to their first meeting with the group soon.
- Livestock, 4-H and FFA – Hannah reported 44 beef, 35 goats, 54 sheep and 151 pigs weighed in all went well.
- Marketing/Sponsorship – Alexcia reported Vanessa is working on radio, TV and social media.
- Rodeo – Dave provided a detailed report and shared they will be having a work night soon and working on the new holding pens
- Sponsorship – Shanda reported sponsorship changes.



- Executive Committee – No report.

Public/Open Comments

- None

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM – Motion to adjourn by Tim, seconded by Kevin, motion carried.