

Columbia County Fair Board Workshop Minutes February 18th, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m. – Pavilion/Virtual

Members in attendance: Jamie Carr, Ingrid Chamberlain, Julie Pelletier,
Greg Voreis, Eva Frost, Shandi Hobizal

Meeting called to Order at 6:31 P.M.

1. Drive Thru Review

- Shandi presented the profits from the drive thru were roughly \$2,373.00.
- Members discussed the success of the event and are looking forward to see how the next event goes.

2. Fair 2021 Check In

- Greg and Shandi gave a quick update on the sponsorship packages they would like to offer, fair board gave suggestions and no objections so going to move forward with sponsorship letters and requests. Generalizing them for not only Fair 2021 but also the rest of the year as the fair board continues to bring events to the community after fair happens. Suggested to sell extra banner spots for \$100 each for all the extra fencing that will be used.
- Julie Pelletier gave a rundown on the current communications on the Carnival being able to be here every day of the advertised dates. She is going to continue working with the Carnival and vendors to get the best schedule for everyone.

3. COVID testing site Update

- Shandi explained the current plan presented by public health to move the Columbia County COVID testing site from the St. Helens High School to the fairgrounds, every Wednesday from 10am-2pm. Fair board agreed they still want to partner with public health to make it happen. Request a COVID plan outline for operations.
- Shandi explained the idea of transitioning into a COVID VACCINE SITE if the need and want is there, fair board agreed that as long as it will not affect rentals on the property, the partnership will remain when this transition happens and they will continue to support public health operating out of the Pavilion one day a week with a proper approved COVID plan, with the knowledge that JULY would be a black out month for Fair prep.

4. Barn rental Rate

- Fair board discussed the Barn rental rate increase and after looking at the numbers, they do not feel like changing them at this time is necessary.
- **Jamie Carr motioned to offer a discount of \$30 per day to any rental of 5 or more days. Ingrid Chamberlain seconded the motion, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.**

5. Fair Date Change Update

- The CRPUD Calendar has the wrong fair dates in it, so in order to make sure we reach everyone possible to make sure the date changes are known, we are going to advertise in all ways possible including: A county wide email, putting a flyer on our Facebook and website, having it announced on KOHI, publishing it in the paper, and the fair board will continue to look at other ways to share the date changes to guarantee fair dates get known.

Additional Comments –

- Spaghetti Feed was discussed. Tickets will be presold and cut off one week in advance for proper purchasing of items, offering 50 tickets for inside seating for \$5 more each ticket. **Jamie Carr motioned to advertise a Spaghetti Feed Drive thru to take place at the fairgrounds on March 13th, 2021 from 3pm-6pm. Delivery offered to those 65+ years old or for a fee of \$5 extra per PRE PLANNED delivery. Julie Pelletier seconded the motion, no further discussion, all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.**
- Beef weigh in for 4H is on Saturday 2/20/2021 from 8am-10am.
- Cardinal update- Jamie let the fair board know that the new hire did not work out and has been let go. He is now looking for another maintenance person. Announced the new office assistant, Hannah, will be starting the first week of March for her training.

With nothing further to discuss **meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.**