



DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR BOARD
JANUARY 27, 2022

The Douglas County Fair Board meeting was called to order at 6:00pm on January 27, 2022 by Dean Elliott - Chairperson. The meeting was held in the Events Center Conference Room at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

*John Adams
Ben Alderton
Pat Candelaria
Scott Candelaria
Dean Elliott
Sarah Fischer
Jennifer Foss
Arlie Gordon Jr.
Wesley Jacobs
Tom Harris
Debbie Mills
Hayden Schmidt
Pam Spradlin
Lora Talbert
Phil Riesselman*

Associate Members Present:

*Nick Candelaria
John Holst
Kyle Moore
Dick Sabulsky
Jean Sabulsky*

Staff Members Present:

*Michelle Bartlett
Clay Gysin
Tim Hallmark
Coral Miller
Luanne Lee
John Murgel
Laurie Anderson
Allison Paul*

Other Guests Present:

*Tori Checkal
Mark Moore
Gary Turner
Bailey Fischer*

Board Members Absent:

*Gabriel Ryan
Craig Sloan
Rob Tkach*

Associate Members Absent:

*Monty Anderson
Barry Borges
Matt Coyle
Deb Dilley
Chayce Lutz
Laura Martin
Shawn McWhorter
Scott McHenry
Anneliese Phippen
Patti Russell
Jessica Smith
Todd Spencer
John Woodrick
Philip Woodrick
Pat Salazar*

Staff Members Absent:

*Michael Ehmann
Sonia Ormsbee*



**DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR BOARD
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2022
EVENTS CENTER
MINUTES**

Public Meeting

Called to order at 6:30 PM

Public Comment

No public in attendance.

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

Pat moved to approve the meeting minutes. Phil seconded.

Consent Agenda

Hayden moved to remove Entertainment from the consent agenda for discussion. John moved to approve the agenda with the amendment. Scott seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

Wes reviewed the budget. No discussion.

Reports from other groups

Youth Council- Tori Checkal reported that the retreat will be held April 22nd -24th. Planning has started for June Show on June 4th and 5th.

Awards Committee- Scott Candelaria mentioned that the awards committee meet with Leader's and Youth Councils about the changes for 2022.

CSU Extension- No Update from John Murgel.

FFA- Bailey Fischer reported that the CDE team is practicing soon.

Oyster Fry will be March 25th on March 25th in Kirk Hall. They are collecting silent auction items- all donations are welcome.

FFA is also hosting a trash bag fundraiser, Bailey will send out the order form.

Fair Foundation- Mark Moore reported that the Cowboy Ball will be May 7th in the Events Center. They will review nominees for officers next week.

Regular Agenda**Staff Report**

Coral reported that the Carnival is coming for both weekends- Monday and Tuesday are dark days. Applications are currently being accepted for food vendors for both weekends and during the week. There will be food in Kirk Hall during the week.

Luanne stated the concert promoter is still searching for talent.

Michelle reported that the show management committee is getting judge contracts out.

Old Business**Update on Town Hall meeting**

Dean thanked everyone for their support at the Town hall, more than 1,700 people were logged on. Discussion was had to find additional dates for future Town Halls. Fair Board decided to request a Town Hall in June and the end of September/early October.

Use of Kirk Hall

Kirk Hall will be family friendly for 2022 and will include seating for families, food served at concessions, and children's activities. Outside, the South side will have a petting zoo.

Tim clarified that Liquor will not be served in Kirk Hall this year. The building will also be updated to include glass front doors on the North side to create a better entrance.

Hayden suggested Kirk Hall's décor feature 4-H, and possibly direct attendees to the Main Hall to see the general projects.

Sponsorship update

The sponsorship packet will be finished tomorrow. There is already a lot of interest.

Dean invited interested Fair Board Directors to reach out if they would like to attend sponsor meetings if the opportunity arises this year.

New Business**First weekend activities and timing**

After the parade there will be axe throwing in the Indoor Arena on Saturday and Sunday which would be during the time of the horse events but would not affect them. There are three 30-minute shows and the times can be worked around the horse schedule.

Kansas City BBQ will be putting on the BBQ competition on Saturday.

Attendees will be able to buy tickets to sample the ribs and vote on their favorites. There will be alcohol but not a beer festival since Boots and Brews is already happening.

Feast at the Fair will be Sunday morning with the Car Show following.

Pat mentioned that the arrival of the cars may be difficult depending on the timing due to the parade.

Dean will let the DMA know that we do want a booth at Boots and Brews.

Hometown Rodeo begins at 4 pm.

Monday and Tuesday are dark days for the Carnival.

No grounds admissions on the first weekend.

Director Comments

Shawn McWhorter has resigned his position as Fair Board Director effective today. He will now act as an Associate member.

Three Director spots are now open, and applications are being accepted until February 22nd.

Adjournment at 7:21 pm**Next Meeting: March 17, 2022****Rules for Citizen Engagement at Fair Board Meeting**

In order to have orderly, efficient, civil, and productive board meetings, the following rules apply to all citizens that have a desire to address the Board:

1. Citizen comments will be heard during the public comment section at the board meeting.
2. All citizen comments must be addressed to the Board. Directing comments to staff or other members of the public is not permitted during Board meetings.
3. Public comment section is limited to ten minutes collectively.
4. Citizens are asked not to repeat comments made by others; merely indicate their concurrence.
5. Citizens will be asked to use a microphone so that Board members and the audience can hear their comments.
6. Clapping, cheering, booing and the like are not permitted at Board meetings.
7. Failure to abide by the aforementioned rules of engagement is considered disruptive to the public process and will result in a warning to the violation citizen(s) by the Board Chair. If after that warning the citizen(s) continues to violate these rules, they will be asked to leave the meeting. If the citizen does not leave the meeting when asked, the appropriate steps will be taken by the Board Chair to have them removed from the meeting.

Mission Statement: The Douglas County Fair and Rodeo is the premier annual community event in Douglas County bringing together the best of Rural Heritage, Agriculture, Western Sports, Youth and Adult Exhibits and quality Entertainment.