

DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR BOARD EMERGENCY MEETING **FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2022 VIRTUAL MINUTES**

The Douglas County Fair Board meeting was called to order at 5:30pm on July 1, 2022, by Dean Elliott -Chairperson. The meeting was held virtually. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

John Adams Ben Alderton Pat Candelaria Scott Candelaria

Dean Elliott

Sarah Fischer Wesley Jacobs Phil Riesselman Pat Salazar Hayden Schmidt Craig Sloan Pam Spradlin

Lora Talbert Rob Tkach

Associate Members Present:

Kyle Moore

Staff Members Present:

Michelle Bartlett Clay Gysin Luanne Lee John Murgel

Other Guests Present:

Tori Checkal Cindy Duckworth

Board Members Absent:

Jennifer Foss Arlie Gordon Tom Harris Debbie Mills Gabriel Ryan

Associate Members Absent:

Scott McHenry John Holst Anneliese Phippen Jean Sabulsky

Dick Sabulsky Monty Anderson Barry Borges Matt Coyle Deb Dilley Chayce Lutz.

Laura Martin Shawn McWhorter

Patti Russell Jessica Smith **Todd Spencer** Gary Turner Lisa Turner John Woodrick Philip Woodrick

Staff Members Absent:

Laurie Anderson Tim Hallmark Guinevere Nelson Sonia Ormsbee Allison Paul

5:30 PM CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Public Meeting Public Comment

New Business

Poultry Plan For Fair: Hayden addressed the Board with the following recommendation for the 2022 Poultry Shows at Fair:

To keep our poultry safe during the 2022 Fair, poultry shows will be limited on the number of birds allowed on grounds and will be split into two days, August 1, and August 4.

On the first day, August 1, no other animals will be on grounds and all birds will go home at the end of the day after showing has concluded. Shows held this day will include the poultry show (show birds) and the first section of poultry showmanship. Exhibitors will be limited to one bird for the poultry show and will use the same bird for their showmanship class. Exhibitors will arrive first thing in the morning and Superintendents along with the Avian experts from the CSU Vet Lab will conduct an animal health check at the vehicle of the exhibitors. Each Health check will be done with PPE (gowns and gloves) that will be changed in between each vehicle. Once the animals pass the heath screen, they will be placed into their own respective cage in the secured and cleaned Multi-Purpose Barn. Cages will be spaced apart to keep distance between animals and protective dividers will be provided in between cages if necessary. Necessary precautions taken will include only the owner touching their own animal, cages will be disinfected multiple times throughout the day, foot coverings will be worn when entering the barn and people will be limited in the barn. Exhibitors will enter a precleaned barn, cages with only water bowls. Judges will change gloves and gowns between animals so as to not contaminate the next cage. Once the animals have been judged and the kids have received placings, animals will be released in a staggard manor and exhibitors will take the animals home to a recommended quarantine cage or separate area away from any other birds. Exhibitors will be asked to sign a pre-fair release waiver stating they understand that showing is voluntarily at their own risk and birds must be quarantined per guidelines set aside by CDA (precautions to quarantine for 14 days before reintroduction to flock). After all animals have left the Fairgrounds, the Multi-Purpose Barn will be sanitized and prepared for the show on Thursday August 4.

On the second day, Thursday August 4, all market poultry will arrive at the Fairgrounds in the morning for a heath check conducted the same as the shows on Monday. The birds will also be placed in the cleaned barn and in cages spaced appropriately apart. Same precautions as stated above will be taken. After judging has been concluded and the Junior Livestock Sale List has been created, all birds that did not qualify for the sale will be released to go home with the same quarantining guidelines. For the birds who did qualify for the sale, those

animals will be allowed to go through the sale on Friday, August 5 and then released on Saturday August 6 to the appropriate packing plant for slaughter. After all animals have left the Fairgrounds, the Multi-Purpose Barn will be sanitized again and will remain empty for the remainder of the Fair.

Rabbits and Cat will move to the Small Animal Barn. Minor adjustments will need to be made to these shows in order to make them successful in the new location.

Wes motioned to approve the recommendation. Phil seconded. All approved.

Director Comments:

The Livestock Sale Committee asked if arrangements had already been made with the packing plants to send the birds out on Saturday morning. Hayden clarified that Christy is working on this. They also asked that they are involved in creating the sale list with Christy after the Market Show.

Tori asked Hayden to clarify what is meant that exhibitors can only bring their best entry for Show Birds. Hayden clarified tat it will be one entry, whether that be a single bird or a pen of three.

Sarah clarified that there will be no poultry in Round Robin.

Pat reminded the Board that the July 4th Parade is on Monday if anyone wants to participate.

Adjournment – 6:05pm

Next Meeting: July 21, 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.