

DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR BOARD
June 16, 2021

The Douglas County Fair Board meeting was called to order at 6:30pm on, June 16, 2021 by Dean Elliott - Chairperson. The meeting was held in the Kirk Hall 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
Arlie Gordon Jr.
Tom Harris
Wesley Jacobs
Debbie Mills
Phil Riesselman
Gabriel Ryan
Hayden Schmidt
Craig Sloan
Pam Spradlin
Lora Talbert

Associate Members Present:

Nick Candelaria
Anneliese Phippen
Laura Martin
Scott McHenry
Kyle Moore
Dick Sabulsky
Jean Sabulsky
Rob Tkach
John Holst

Staff Present:

Michelle Bartlett
Kirsten Cowan
Mike Ehmann
Tim Hallmark
Luanne Lee
Allison Paul
Nicole Speeding

Board Members Absent:

Monty Anderson
Jennifer Foss
Shawn McWhorter

Associate Members Absent:

Barry Borges
Matt Coyle
Darlene Craven
Deb Dilley
Chayce Lutz
Patti Russell
Pat Salazar
Jessica Smith
Todd Spencer
John Woodrick
Phillip Woodrick

Staff Absent:

Kyle Christensen
Laurie Anderson

Other Guests:

Tori Checkal
Andrew Eben
Patrick Maloney
Cheryl Pastorius
Bob Hill

Standing Members Present:

None

Public Meeting

Introduction of Guests- Luanne introduced Douglas County staff who will be working directly with Fair Board and volunteers during the Fair.

Public Comment – None

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes – Pat moved to approve the May minutes. Phil seconded. All approved. John Adams was listed as absent but was present.

Treasurers Report – Wes summarized recent expenses in the budget. No discussion.

CSU Extension Director- Kirsten reported they are just working on tasks for Fair.

4-H Youth Council – Tori Checkal served as the 4-H Youth Council representative and reported that they held elections and have a new Executive Board.

4-H Leaders Council- Kirsten reported that 4-H Leader's Council held elections and have a new Executive Board.

Fair Management Report – Luanne gave an update on the 3 Event Coordinators from the County. Mike gave an update on County projects.

Guest Organization Reports

Fair Foundation- Mark reported that Turquoise and Tequila raised about \$18,000. Waiting on final amount raised from Elephant Rock. Engraved bricks are coming to install. First distribution of the Miller money was received.

FFA – Sarah Fischer gave the FFA report on behalf of Bailey Fischer. FFA is in a transition phase with new teacher and the officer retreat is being planned.

Committee Updates

Guest Services Committee- Gabe reported that Volunteer Orientation will be virtual and in person this year. The video was filmed for the virtual orientation. The County has begun a social media push for volunteers to continue through Fair. Jean was named as an associate member.

Marketing Committee- Debbie reported the 2006 DCFR Rodeo Queen will be at Hometown Rodeo this year. She is currently a Florida Congresswoman. Debbie will give a list of new sponsors for Fair Board members to meet and greet at Fair. Bus stop shelters are up in Parker and Highlands Ranch. There will also be Fair Marketing on the LED board in Larkspur. KYGO and Channel 2 will begin running ads next week. Tim reported 100 magnets have been ordered for County fleet vehicles. Debbie introduced Bob Hill of Hanson Glass as a new sponsor. Sponsorship deadline is July 9th.

Entertainment Committee- Lora updated that the Chuck Wagon vendor will not be at Fair due to logistics issues. Mark reported that he can bring his wagon, do a cooking

demo, and serve samples. Looking for a pancake vendor and sponsor for the Pancake Breakfast, and a blacksmith for the Old West Town.

Livestock Sale Committee- Phil reported the Mock Sale for the Committee went well. Mock Sale for all Livestock Sale volunteers will be on July 14th. Pat reported the next presale meeting is June 25th. All buyers will need to pre-register to get new bidder numbers for this year. Cowboy after hours will be in attendance. Buyer hats are in and look great.

Rodeo Committee- Craig and John Adams reported the committee is working on national anthem singers, and Beyond the Dirt details.

Show Management Committee- Ben reported that there was no June meeting, individual meetings were held with each Superintendent in its place. Judges have been secured, but there have been a few last-minute changes. A sign-up sheet was passed around for Fair Board members to take placings at each Livestock Show. Fair entries closed today with 565 total entries for general projects, and 1,843 total entries for livestock. Hayden asked for Fair Board Directors to attend County Shoot July 15-18.

Executive Committee- Dean reported that there was nothing else for the Executive Committee report that had not been reported on in the other committee reports.

Old Business

Dean requested more support for Fair Foundation activities. October 30th is Ghost Town Hoedown. Fair Board Directors have been attending 4-H meetings. Branding Party is Friday, June 18th. Workday is Friday July 30th.

New Business

Luanne updated that the Fair Parade is happening this year, we have two booths. Michelle will sign us up for the Highlands Ranch parade, 4-H will have kids on the float, but Fair Board should be there too. The next Awards Committee meeting will be on July 12.

Director Comments

Two Director positions are open, nominating committee will take applications and meet in the upcoming weeks.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.