

**6:30 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**PRESENT: Eddie Coulter, Chairman; Matt Plaisted, Vice Chairman; Wendy Wagner, Alyse Webber and Karrol Williams, Fair Board Members; Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager**  
**GUEST: Amanda Williams, Fallon/Carter Extension Agent**

**6:30 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Eddie Coulter called the meeting to order.

**6:30 PM APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Matt Plaisted made a motion to accept the March 22, 2022, Fair Board Agenda. Wendy Wagner seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

**6:30 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Wendy Wagner made a motion to approve the February 22, 2022, Fair Board Minutes. Karrol Williams seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

**6:31 PM Manager's Report**

Shyla presented her report for review. She asked if the Board would be ok with her joining the Chamber Board. The Fair Board had no issues, as long as the Fair responsibilities are taken care of. Shyla added that she will be presenting at the high school job fair, and we are looking to hire two more seasonal employees. The overhanging *Fallon County Fair* entrance sign was bent badly this winter, and in return, the rock pillars are also damaged. Floyd said that Larry Niemerg would know how to preserve them. Karrol agreed that the beams have been there for many many years. The Board gave Shyla the go-ahead to contact Larry.

**6:42 PM Extension Report**

Amanda asked the Board if there was any way to have all of their tags and sheets done on Monday, for the entire fair week. Shyla said that's really difficult to do with Ekalaka's fair going until Sunday and all our ShoWorks help comes from Ekalaka. Tuesday is more reasonable. She will connect with Jimmy to see what we can do. She knows Thebea isn't available until noon Tuesday. Amanda asked if Jimmy Sparks and indoor judges could be paid this year. Shyla confirmed that she was paid this year and will definitely be paid again, she added that as far as she knows, indoor judges are paid as well. At least all the ones she deals with. Alyse agreed that all judges are paid a stipend and mileage reimbursement. Amanda is going to get Shyla specific names so that she can double check with Kimberly. Amanda said Jaden Miller left so they will be looking for a new Extension Admin. Amanda went over the various 4-H Events and Trainings coming up and walked the Board through all the new added classes. Shyla agreed to add the new classes to the system, but to keep in mind that we can't continue to add pages of new classes because each time we do that we are taking away from the overall "premiums" budget. It's balanced out in past years because entries have been down, but if there comes a time where we are overspending then we will need to re-evaluate how many classes there are.

**6:54 PM PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one appeared for public comment.

**6:54 PM OLD BUSINESS**

**Dueling Pianos**

Shyla went over the expense/revenue report with the Board. The Board shared their reviews of the event. Overall, it was a great time and the public seemed to respond to it very well. We sold out on tickets. Wendy said the 4-H servers were adorable. Shyla added that the only issue she had was washing the dishes because our water heater couldn't keep up with the dishwasher, therefore Shyla had many on her own the following week. Eddie agreed the water heater is small and outdated. Wendy added that it gives them fits for the Wild Game Feed as well. Shyla will get quotes for the upcoming budget. Alyse asked about the night show announcement. Eddie said he's heard very good things about it.

**Xtreme Bronc Ride**

Eddie passed around the C5 contract. It includes paying C5 and all rodeo personnel aside from announcers and music. Wendy found a correction on the date. Eddie will have Gillian update it. Shyla asked what the Board would like to do for ticket prices, last year we did \$15 and 18 and under free since it was paired with the High School Rodeo. For other events, we go with 12 and under free. There was discussion on this. Alyse thought \$15 for 13 and over, 12 and under free. The Board agreed. Shyla asked if the Board wanted her to re-bid the Xtreme Broncs bar. The board said yes to be fair. Eddie added that in the past the winner has sponsored.

### **2022 Fallon County Fair**

Shyla asked the Board to set a parade time. The Board agreed on keeping it at 10:00am. Shyla presented the three-night show production bids that Patricia Morford, ISA Agent collected.

**Matt Plaisted made a motion to accept the Johnson Brothers bid in addition to the stagehands expense. Wendy Wagner seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

Shyla went over the carnival contract.

**Alyse Webber made a motion to accept Midway West Amusements contract pending compensation negotiations. Karrol Williams seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

Shyla asked the Board to solidify next year's centennial Fallon County Fair dates so she can begin contacting vendors in advance.

**Wendy Wagner made a motion set the 2023 Fallon County Fair dates for August 15-20. Karrol Williams seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

Alyse asked about coffee. Wendy is going to ask Ottos Hideout. Matt mentioned to the Board his idea for painting the horse. There was discussion on this. Karrol is going to ask the high school art teacher Jay Hoversland to see if any students would be interested in taking that project on.

### **7:43 PM NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Independence Day Committee**

Shyla mentioned to the Board that the Fallon Medical Complex is trying to round up activities for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Karrol Zachmann had mentioned to Shyla that a concert might be something we could host. Shyla said we do have a wedding in the Exhibit Hall that weekend but that we could potentially do the 4<sup>th</sup> which falls on a Monday this year. Four of the Board members said that they will be gone. It isn't something they want to take on this year due to lack of time and for budget reasons.

**Next Board Meeting: Monday, April 18, 2022**

### **7:51 PM ADJOURN**

**Wendy Wagner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Karrol Williams seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

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**ADJOURN:**  
**s/Eddie Coulter, Chairman**

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**ATTEST:**  
**s/Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager**