PRESENT: Jason Coulter, Chairman; Matt Plaisted, Vice Chairman; Wendy Wagner, Karrol Williams, Derrick DeHaan Fair Board Members; Shyla Hadley Interim Fairground Manager, Jennefer Wheeler Fairgrounds Manager.

**ABSENT: None** 

GUESTS: Amanda Williams Fallon/Carter Extension Agent

# 6:39 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Eddie Coulter called the meeting to order.

# 6:40 PM APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Karrol Williams motioned to approve the January 23, 2023 Fair Board Agenda. Wendy Wagner seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Absent.

# 6:40 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Wendy Wagner motioned to approve the November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 and December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Fair Board Minutes. Karrol Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

# **6:41 PM EXTENSION REPORT**

Amanda said Shooting Sports is the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in February she thought the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Rifle will be in the Exhibit Hall like last year. They put up all kinds of barrier to keep it from hitting anything. Archery and Pistol will be held at the Gun Range. Seed Potato orders are due end of January she thought the 30<sup>th</sup>.

Eddie asked her about the Clubs voting on changes in the Barn? She said that is not what they were supposed to vote on. She said Commissioner Rost came to the meetings and asked them to discuss it with their Clubs the proposed changes.

Amanda said the Clubs did vote on a couple of changes for the Fairbook. They are cleaning up the Rabbit showing and added 4 classes to it. Also, a horse mom requested a couple changes in the horse side and they did add 3 classes to that.

# 6:43 PM MANAGER REPORT

Jozell Brewer brought in her Vet and Feed bills for her horse she has stalled in the Barn. She will file them for reference if we need them.

# 6:44 PM PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for Public Comment

### 6:44 PM OLD BUSINESS

#### XTREME BRONCS

Jennefer said the Commission approved the Purse for the Rodeo and Xtreme Broncs. Eddie said that Jordan and Miles City asked if we would go in on a saddle again and they liked the idea we were having the Xtreme Broncs the night before their show.

# 6:45 PM Derrick DeHaan joined the meeting.

#### **DUELING PIANO'S**

Jennefer said she is striking out on the February date so far. Maybe we could do an Escape Room? Everyone agreed that they want to do something in February. Jennefer will keep looking for other acts. Wendy suggested trying Rapid City or Billings for Escape Room. We don't want to move the date as it runs into Tournaments for sports and travel ball is about to ramp up. She will make more calls tomorrow.

#### 6:50 PM NEW BUSINESS

FAIR: Discussion on our Night Show Performance. Shyla asked if there was an updated list of Acts? Wendy asked if we could all get a copy to look at. Everyone got the list and looked it over. More discussion over the list and which ones peaked an interest for all. Matt stated we all knew his choice. We will try to go ahead with our 1st choice for now.

Eddie asked if SlammaBama was on for our Patio Band? Discussion on the stage area that was requested? Eddie thought we could maybe come up with something. Use the Risers or at least get them up a bit. Talk of lifting a trailer or something over the fence and putting the canopy over it.

Jennefer has sent off a few contracts to Darcy to get Addendums for. The Carnival sounds like it will be a bit bigger this year. She will bug Darcy again this week to get those back to the companies.

Eddie said he may have found a Petting Zoo. And can get the Wood Pizza place a text and see if they are interested. Jennefer will work on some other food vendors also. Grub Stop is confirmed and Texas Twister.

Wendy said they have a couple Acts they want to lock down for 2024. They book out at least 18 months ahead so if we don't get something going we won't have the chance. Jennefer will contact them tomorrow.

HOG PANELS/RENTAL: Jennefer had in inquiry from Nicole Weiss about renting our Hog and Sheep Panels for a pig sale for 4-H. Eddie asked if they were using our grounds? No, the date they picked was already reserved so they wondered about the rental. Amanda gave us a report on how many the 4H/EXT and us owned. With that being said and discussed we feel it is too hard to manage how many if they leave our premises. Plus, who is going to be able to regulate how and if they come back in good condition, damaged and everyone was in agreement we would rather not pursue renting them out at this time. Jennefer will reach out tomorrow and let them know our decision.

The Jorgensen Invoice for Baker Barrel Days was emailed to Brittney.

**Bank of Baker Signature Cards:** We need to take Shyla off the Checking account. As of now it is Eddie, Karrol and Shyla. We need to replace Shyla with Jennefer. All will have to go in and resign the signature cards. This will not be able to be done until after our next Board meeting.

Wendy Wagner made a motion to remove Shyla Hayden from the checking account and add Jennefer Wheeler. Derrick DeHaan seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

Eddie asked if there was anything else we needed to discuss?

Amanda wanted to remind us about the Gate at the Wash rack and getting more power during the Fair, also the sound system.

Matt said we need to look into the Rodeo Office Floor again. Maybe Rick Madler could add more bracing. Eddie thought Rick had worked on it before for us. But it does need more support. Eddie will reach out to Rick.

Shyla reminded everyone that Walt is wanting to Phase out. Wendy said that Devin Banister gave her a guy name Justin Zich, JZ Sound. He could maybe give us a quote on cleaning out the system at the Barn, Devin recommended once it was cleaned we put a Gormet over it to seal it and keep the dust out. Plus, the Exhibit Hall sound system is on it's last leg too. Jennefer will reach out to Walt and Justin.

Anything else?

Our next meeting would be held on February 13th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fair Office.

### 7:39 PM ADJOURN

Karrol Williams made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Matt Plaisted seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

S/Eddie Coulter, Chairman

ATTEST:

S/Jennefer Wheeler, Fairgrounds Manager