

Monday, June 17, 2024

PRESENT: Matt Plaisted, Chairman, Wendy Wagner Vice-Chairman, Justin Koenigsfeld, Derrick DeHaan, Eddie Coulter Fair Board Members, Jennefer Wheeler Fairgrounds Manager

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Julie Straub, Darick Gorder, Polly Davis

6:30PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Matt Plaisted called the meeting to order.

6:31PM APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wendy Wagner motioned to approve the June 17, 2024, Fair Board Agenda. Justin Koenigsfeld seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

6:31 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Eddie Coulter motioned to approve the May 20, 2024, minutes. Derrick DeHaan seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

6:32 PM MANAGERS REPORT

Jennefer gave the Board the past and present happenings at the Fairgrounds. Shots and Strokes and the Ladies Association tourneys asked if we would like to donate again for door prizes. Last time we gave them tickets to the concert.

Wendy Wagner motioned to approve of giving both tournaments 2 concert tickets. Eddie Coulter seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

Jennefer will print them up vouchers and let them know they can redeem them when ticket sales start.

Slamabama wanted to know if we wanted them for 2025. After much discussion the board decided to wait as we are in full 2024 mode and we will get them back in the future. Jennefer asked Eddie what dates work best for him for the Cowboy Channel Kick Off call. He said the 25 or 26th. The last week of June the Arena sound system will start being put in. If anyone knows anyone going to Dickinson and back Thursday or Friday let me know. We need to bring a lift over for the installation.

6:34 PM EXTENSION REPORT

Nothing to report from Extension.

6:34 PM PUBLIC COMMENT

Darick Gorder and Polly Davis with the AAU Demolition Derby Club were in attendance. Darick Gorder had a few questions for the Board. Not as much dirt moving. It's ok if we don't do as much as last year but it was nice with the rain. Eddie said we probably won't take as much down as we did but we can use the tarp if needed and it does rain. Darick wondered if there is any more, they need to do. Cowboy Church will always be part of Sunday morning and they will keep doing check ins at Gazebo. Last year worked great with no church. Jennefer did state that they had raised their prices. We have cleaners that will be here also to help through Tuesday. Not like last year. But Eddies states to watch the weather, we will pack about half as much out and Matt said yes, they will pull half out and pack that in like the previous years. Jennefer will get them the contract this week. Darick and Polly left the meeting at 6:43pm.

6:43 PM OLD BUSINESS

2024 FAIR

Bar Bids-Jennefer let them know that no bids were received. Wendy stated that one bar is deciding.

Demolition Derby- this was moved to Public Comment

Vendor/Merchandise Contracts-Jennefer added an insert to the folders of all the merchandise and food vendors they have had pay and are interested. Wendy and Eddie both want the pizza truck and Jennefer will keep trying but he wasn't sure on the distance and things either.

Sponsors-Jennefer added a copy of those that already have submitted their sponsorship.

Motels-Bunkhouse, campers, etc. Jennefer stated that motels are still scarce. We have 4 at the Sagebrush right now. We will call Pam later in July and hope that we can fill hers up. She would know closer. Wendy was going to also talk to her. Jennefer said the Bunkhouse in Marmarth, ND is available. Eddie said that they did use it one time at MT High School Finals, but we will see. Wendy suggested Lacinda Huether.

Fair Schedule-Please look over and we will fix all the changes so that it can be finalized. We moved a couple events around as we will be keeping all Fair events at the Fairgrounds this year. Eddie suggested we move the Ranch Bronc ride to 7PM. Steer Roping will be Wednesday morning and Breakaway that evening. The board discussed what days they will be serving breakfast for the contestants.

Advertising-KFLN/Times-Jennefer added to the folders the bids on our advertising for these 2 entities. Jennefer did state that there were a lot of extra programs and maybe we could go down a bit. Eddie suggested 750 and everyone on the board agreed. Matt entertained a motion for each of them.

Wendy Wagner motioned to the Times ads as presented with 750 programs. Derrick DeHaan seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

Wendy Wagner motioned to the KFLN/KJJM ads as presented. Eddie Coulter seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

Night Show Camper-Wendy suggested Moore's, Eddie suggested Janice Moser. Jennefer will try those. She would offer hers, but we may need it for people to stay in.

6:58 PM NEW BUSINESS

Vet Resignation-ideas on who else. Eddie talked with Nathan Beck, and he will do the Rodeo part of it. Wendy suggested Long Pines Vet in Ekalaka and Eddie said to hold off he would talk with Shelby.

Budget Meeting is 6/20 @3PM-Matt will try to attend, Derrick can, Wendy will not be able to.

Matt met a guy in Jordan at the Xtreme Broncs that would be interested in bringing his hat trailer to Baker. Jennefer said if they get her the contact information we will call and see if we can get him. Jennefer asked who to contact about the Dakota Bank ATM. She said Monica will have 2 ATM's here and Wendy asked the Board if they thought they would need another. At this time, we will use the 2 that we have. Eddie let Jennefer know the tires for the side by side(s) are in. We can change them or run what we have until they are flat or need to change.

Matt asked if there was anything else we needed to discuss. Matt asked for a motion to recess to adjourn.

Next Meeting: Monday July 15, 2024, 6:30 pm at the Fair Office

7:07 PM made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Derrick DeHaan seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

ADJOURN:
s/ Matt Plaisted, Chairman

ATTEST:
s/Jennefer Wheeler, Fairgrounds Manager