

Monday, March 17, 2025

PRESENT: Matt Plaisted, Chairman, Derrick DeHaan, Leighton Bilbrey, Justin Koenigsfeld Vice-Chairman, Wendy Wagner, Jennefer Wheeler Fairgrounds Manager

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Julie Straub

6:30PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Matt Plaisted called the meeting to order.

6:30PM APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Derrick DeHaan motioned to approve March 17, 2025, Fair Board Agenda. Justin Koenigsfeld seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

6:30 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Wendy Wagner motioned to approve February 10, 2025, minutes. Leighton Bilbrey seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

6:31 PM MANAGERS REPORT

Jennefer gave them a list of the events present and past that have happened at the Fairgrounds since the previous meeting. The front entrance sign is approved and being done. Neil said it would be late May or early June to install. Miss Teen Montana will be crowned this week, and it is our flag carrier Bella Jensen. She would love to be at our rodeo versus another place and Jennefer talked with Miss Rodeo Montana Kathryn that runs it and it is up to us if we want to vote to have Bella instead of the other girl. MT Silversmith's design is here for approval. If everyone is good with it I will send in the approval. The Board liked it and approved. Jennefer has been working with SMART for the electronic sign and looking at others. When Jennefer contacted LOL Entertainment about the 2026 Fair, they couldn't remember what we were looking for exactly. I can send them a note with more details and have that for the next meeting. Jennefer will be gone March 21-26. Need a few signatures for bank changes and PRCA/WPRA applications so we can submit those. With Dewey not working for Summit anymore, Jennefer was wondering who to contact. Wendy thought that Dewey would know, and we could contact him for more information. Jennefer presented what we have left in the budget and it was discussed.

6:45 PM EXTENSION REPORT

No one appeared for the Extension Report.

6:45 PM PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for Public Comment.

6:45 PM OLD BUSINESS

Peddle Tractor/Pig Races-Jennefer gave the price, and the Board feels we can do this maybe for 2026 fair. He can't route only the Peddle Tractors.

Dueling Pianos-Wendy stated that she isn't sure these events are worth it as we don't break even. Derrick stated that he isn't sure that it is to break even or make money but a service to the community. Otherwise, it was a decent turnout and went well.

Gate Sign- Jennefer updated in her manager report.

PRCA for Rodeo Slack times, etc.-To finish the forms we need times for start. Thursday at 8am.

Buckles Approval-

Wendy Wagner motioned to approve the MT Silversmith buckle design. Leighton Bilbrey seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

6:54 PM NEW BUSINESS

Miss Rodeo MT to Miss Teen Rodeo-

Derrick DeHaan made the motion to have Miss Teen Rodeo vs. Miss Rodeo Montana for Fair 2025. Justin Koenigsfeld seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

Free Stage Act Approval-Jennefer noticed in the contract that it was for Thursday through Saturday. Do we want to ask for a change to Friday to Sunday. The board agreed if they will change.

Justin Koenigsfeld made the motion for Becky Schlegel for Free Stage Act for Fair 2025. Derrick DeHaan seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

Matt asked for a motion for Saturday nights act.

Justin Koenigsfeld made the motion for Saturday Nights Act for Fair 2025. Derrick DeHaan seconded the motion. The motion carried. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

KGHL Advertising-Was tabled until next meeting.

Other business Matt let the Board know that the Tractor will be done this week and should cost about \$6100. He would like to discuss food vouchers at the next meeting. Matt Plaisted that the Spring RMAF meeting is May 9 & 10. He wondered if anyone would like to attend. He would like to go. Jennefer said she would not be going. No other Board members said they would be interested at this time.

Justin Koenigsfeld discussed that the 4H would like to add on to the Barn. Matt Plaisted stated that he wasn't for removing the white bleachers, but we would be interested in what they present to us. With no further comments.

Matt Plaisted asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Next Meeting: Monday April 21, 2025, 6:30 pm at the Fair Office

7:13PM Justin Koenigsfeld made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Leighton Bilbrey seconded the motion. The motion carried. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. 0 Absent.

ADJOURN:
s/ Matt Plaisted, Chairman

ATTEST:
s/Jennefer Wheeler, Fairgrounds Manager