

**Fremont County Fair Board
Minutes
November 6, 2025**

The Fremont County Fair Board met November 6, 2025 at the Fremont Center Boardroom, in Riverton, Wyoming. Board members present were Trevor Bekken, Kourtney Hanger, Alex Eckhardt and Nikki Horton. Megan Jones, Rob Dolcater and Jeremy Vukich. Staff present were, Laura Harrington Administrative Assistant. General Manager Pat Hart was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by President Trevor Bekken

Trevor Bekken led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Laura Harrington gave the board prayer

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alex Eckhardt moved to approve the November 6, 2025 agenda; Megan Jones seconded; motion passed unanimously.

II. PATRONS

None on Agenda

III. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes from the October 9, 2025 Fremont County Fair Board Meeting.
- Financial Review: Approval of current bills and financial report.
- Alcohol Permits: Festival of Trees Cedar Bar

Questions on Financials: Rob Dolcater questioned the voucher for the Junior Livestock Sale Board. Laura Harrington explained that a buyer from the sale had used a credit card to pay. The voucher is so the fair can pay the Sale Board for that transaction. Rob also questioned the bill from the city of Riverton for water at the Bathrooms. Laura explained that she spoke with Mia Harris at the city and that the original bill received from the city last month was the base rate for that account and the bill for this month was the actual water usage. Rob also questioned the bill for the local liability pool. Laura reported that Pat Hart believed that the bill is for the car rental for Kelly Davis. She explained with the car repairs and the car rental that took the expense from that accident to right at \$5000.00 which is the deductible for a claim. Rob asked where the money was going to come from. Laura did not know. Rob said he would add it to the list of questions for Pat Hart.

Nikki Horton moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Megan Sims; motion passed.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

none

V. EX-OFFICIO BOARD REPORTS

- **Commissioner Liaison** – Commissioner Allen reported that the Commissioners are getting ready to start their evaluations of Department Heads, insurance changes and hiring new employees to replace those who have left. He has been participating on the committee about the ambulance, airport and transportation funding which is keeping him busy.
- **Fremont County Extension** – No representative was not present.
- **Wind River Extension** – No representative present.

VI. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Royalty Committee** –Piper Loomis was not present.
- **Junior Livestock Sale Board** – Carmen Vasco was not present. Megan Sims reported that Ross Thornock is interested in taking the remainder of Mark McConnells term this year and reupping next year. They are also working on their By-Laws one change they are working on is getting a consensus from the Fair Board on appointment of new members and not having to have those appointments approved by the Fair Board. They also are working on changing their attendance policy. An exhibitor reached out the Sale Board about missing the mandatory meeting at the 2026 fair. The exhibitor has a school trip that they will be on when the mandatory meeting takes place. The board has asked the exhibitor to tell them about the school trip and why it is important. They will discuss it. Rob said the meeting is mandatory by the Show and Sale committees, he said he will reach out to Chance Marshall. Megan stated that possibly the exhibitor can attend a Sale Board Meeting and go over rules. She said that EID tags need to be ordered. Laura said that Pat will get them ordered.
- **Junior Show Advisory Committee** – Have not met.
- **Friends of the Fremont County Fair** - Nikki said she did volunteer the board to help with Barn Bash. Barn Bash will be on March 14, 2025. Nikki asked Friends of Fair for a list of how the Fair Board can help with the event. Kourtney Hanger reported that the Jackpot committee also met. They are coming up with ideas on how to raise more money to help with the Jackpot. They are discussing selling fitting stations near the ring and other ideas. She said they also need help at the Jackpot in June. Laura Harrington reported that Blake Hays dropped off a pair of chaps as a donation for Barn Bash. They are the last pair of chaps made by Rhonda Slack.

VII. FAIR MANAGERS REPORT

- The office will be closed November 11 for Veteran Day and November 27 & 28 for Thanksgiving.
- Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs November 12-14.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Update on Barns- will be discussed at Vision Session.
- Update on Annex- Pat has received three applications for the position, should have someone hired soon. Trevor stated that applications need to be reviewed by the board and Pat and interviews conducted. A power pole was blown over. Rocky Mountain Power verified the power is cut to that pole. Lloyd Bynon has put tape and barrels around the pole. Lloyd will need help removing the

pole. The light on the pole was destroyed. Rocky Mountain Power suggested to Lloyd that a new light could be installed on an existing structure. The pole doesn't need to be reinstalled.

- Update on City request- Board requested removal from agenda in September.
- Arena Panels- Rob Dolcater called Franzens to get a price on replacement panels. Rob was asked about a gate that was damaged during the CWC Rodeo, he said there was a snapchat video that showed it being hit. Pat Hart had Rick check the gates. It was not actually a gate it was a bow in the alley that was hit, they will get a price on that as well. Pat Hart will reach out to CWC about replacing it. Nikki Horton wants a discussion to be held about property insurance not just liability insurance. (Vision Quest discussion)

Counting down....Fremont County Fair, just 261 days away

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- No new business

IX. Executive Session

Nikki Horton moved to go into Executive Session for personnel and potential litigation, seconded by Megan Jones; motion passed.

Executive session was entered at 6:23PM

Regular session reconvened at 8:00PM

Nikki Horton moved that Pat Hart not enter into any contracts at Rocky Mountain Association of Fairs without board approval and review and approval by the County Attorney, seconded by Alex Eckhardt; motion passed.

Nikki Horton moved to ratify the decision made on the signing of Pat Hart's time cards be approved, Trevor Bekken amended that the Administrative Committee that was formed at the October 27, 2025 special meeting review Pat Harts time sheets and bring a recommendation to the Board for approval of Pat Harts time, seconded by Rob Dolcater, there was discussion as to how time sheets can be submitted coinciding with board meetings, the county attorney said the approval of time sheets could be ratified at Fair Board meetings on consent agenda; motion passed.

Rob Dolcater moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:08PM seconded by Megan Jones; motion passed.

Next Meeting

The next Board Meeting will be **December 13, 2025 at 6:00PM**, in Riverton, in the Classroom, Fremont Center, at the fairgrounds.

Trevor Bekken, Fair Board President

Alex Eckhardt, Fair Board Secretary