



**October 10, 2023**

**Fair Board Meeting Minutes**

Attendees: Jerry Johnson, Elise Burton, Linda Rider, Tim Vuller, Kevin Kirking, Joe Doellefeld, Christina Petite, Mike Mclean, Jessica Mclean, Lauren Scarcello, Lisa Peterson, Hannah Smith, Teri Horton, Greg Bennett, Shanda Masterson and Alexcia Jordan.  
Meeting minutes recorded by Alexcia.

**Called to order at 5:00 PM**

**Pledge of Allegiance:** led by Elise

**Changes to the Agenda**

- None

**Hearing of Delegates**

- Hannah Smith addressed the Fair Board regarding the 2023 NISF incident during weigh in. She brought up the need for a formal protest plan to be in place for 2024 to address those in disagreement with the Fair Vet. She mentioned a pre-fair health check for animals would be helpful and noted her husband's bad behavior at weigh in. She asked the Fair Board to remove their previous decision, board consensus was to keep with the current decision. Teri Horton also addressed the board and several staff members regarding their unwillingness to overturn their decision. Lauren Scarcello later spoke to the good nature of the individual the board expelled for one year and his belief there could potentially be a better solution but recognized was unaware of all the details.

**Approval of September and July Meeting Minutes**

- Elise moved to accept September minutes as presented; Tim second. Motion carried. Elise moved to accept July minutes as presented; Linda second. Motion carried.

**Read of Correspondence**

- Alexcia passed around a letter from a Quilt exhibitor noting they had outgrown the building. Alexcia stated she agrees it is time to shift exhibits around again to create more space where needed.

**Claims and Financial Statements**

- Elise moved that usual and customary claims to be paid; Dave second. Motion carried. Table financial statements.

**Manager's Report**

- See attached

**Old Business**

- 23 Fair Recap and 24 Planning – covered in manager's report.
- RMAF/IAFE – Alexcia shared who is attending and will be sending travel details and volunteer schedule in the coming week.
- Wine Rodeo and NFR Viewing Party – covered in manager's report.

**New Business**

- 2024 Budget Discussion – Elise asked everyone send her and Alexcia any requests for review.
- 2024 Construction Discussion – Again the board discussed bringing forward to the Commissioners a plan for a future building to better serve the community's needs. Linda and Alexcia will

**Committee Reports**

- Food/Beverage – No report
- Development/Planning – No report
- Educational Programming – No report
- Events, Fair & Policy – No report
- Finance & Budget – Elise asked everyone to please send their capital requests asap.
- Facility, Equipment & Maintenance – Greg reported the well equipment is all installed, power in on Tuesday. 25 roof is almost done. They would like to request a bigger tractor.
- Jr. Fair Advisory Board – No report
- Livestock, 4-H and FFA – Mike reported new 4-H Coordinator Madison Sotin is on board and off to a great start. Working on YSSS financial report for Independents, pig classes went so well they are adding more classes to other species. Lauren spoke to share his appreciation of the positive path YSSS is on.
- Marketing/Sponsorship – Shanda shared many sponsorship meetings coming up. Things are looking strong.
- Rodeo – Dave submitted his report in packets.
- Executive Committee – No report

**Public/Open Comments**

- None

**Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm** – Motion to adjourn by Elise, seconded by Tim, motion carried.