

June 8, 2017

Board Members present: Kelly Camino, Kevin Rodriguez, Laci Schiffer & Byron Geis, Caretaker Gary Arno, Secretary Sandi Hoffman.

Guests present: Danny Wagner, Chanda Rule, Brook Sanborn, Lexi Rule, Kaya Pehringer, and Avery DeVore, Desiria Light, Barry Crago & Commissioner Bill Novotny.

Barry updated the Board on the lodging tax issue. He reported that he is working on a solution with the Attorney General and will keep the Board informed as information becomes available.

Danny Wagner of High Mountain Mercantile requested permission to have a vendor's booth during JCFR. He will be offering western clothing, hats & boots.

Chanda Rule introduced the members of the Jr. Fair Board. They will be lending a hand to various duties during fair week.

Desiria Light discussed the schedule for the Royalty Coronation and activities. This year, the Coronation of the new royalty will take place during the Saturday rodeo performance. The remaining awards will be awarded at the beginning of the buckle ceremony. Also discussed at this time was the Parade of Champions. The Board discussed holding the royalty coronation during the Saturday Performance and the Parade of Champions to the Sunday Performance. Byron moved to approve. Laci seconded. Motion carried.

Caretaker's Report: The sod is down in the showing. Work has begun assembling the playground equipment, and it should be finished hopefully by next weekend. Gary has spoken with Modern Electric, and they are planning on starting the pig barn electric project soon. New replacement parts are ordered for the Kaiser. Gary brought up the subject of the Wednesday Night Rodeos. The first rodeo was last night, June 7th. Forbes had planned to have Indian Relay Races, but hadn't notified anyone. Gary found out from the brand inspector/pick-up man at 9 am Wednesday morning. Due to the fact that nothing is scheduled for the backside of the track, it has not been worked up. The whole crew spent the entire day prepping the track. The Indians notified John at 3pm that they were cancelling, but John failed to notify Gary or Sandi. After discussion, the Board agreed that if the Relays are scheduled for a Wednesday night, we need to be notified by noon on the preceding Monday to allow time to get the track ready, and an additional fee will need to be collected to cover the time and expense. The Board will visit with John and Bill next Wednesday to discuss this. The Show Ring and Catch Pens are nearly complete, and will need paint before the Big Horn Festival. Gary has spoken with an employee at Bloedorns, possibly the paint will be donated. Discussion followed regarding finding a group to paint the fences. The BHS Parliamentary Procedures Team is looking for funding to help with expenses on a trip. Byron moved to pay up to \$800 if the kids are willing to paint all of the panels for the show ring, catch pens and the track gates. Laci seconded, motion carried. Laci will contact the team leaders to see if they would be interested.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the May meeting were approved, along with payables, payroll and vacation/sick/flex time on a motion by Byron and second by Laci. Purchasing a combination lock similar to the community building for the office door was discussed. This would let board members access the office without having to keep track of a key. Byron moved to purchase a combo lock, Kevin seconded. The combo will not be made available to any other party. Accounts receivable were discussed. Sandi

requested permission to write off the bad boarder debt from Bev Nichols in the amount of \$730, and to submit a delinquent billing for Ryan Witty to the credit bureau. Byron moved to write off the boarding debt, as the boarder has been evicted, and to send a letter to Ryan and Tawny Witty stating that the outstanding balance would be sent for collection if not paid by July 1st. Kevin seconded, motion carried.

Kurt Kinghorn has booked the grounds for a Sr. Rodeo in August during the week of the 21st, he will get back to Sandi with specific dates.

Fair and Rodeo planning – Bobby Welsh is planning on hosting a bull riding for July 29th. We will give him the same rate as the bull riding last year for arena rental. Sandi is still looking for a commitment for the band on Sunday, Jody Cheser is interested and will have a definite answer sometime next week.

Kevin reported that pen set-up will be July 20th. The Livestock Committee needs to be billed \$1,000 for a portion of the FFA building the panels.

Camping assignments for JCFR week were discussed. It was unanimously agreed to leave the camping protocol as is for this year – if you had a camping spot last year, you will have first rights to reserve the same spot again this year.

The speakers in the sale barn were discussed. There were issues last year with the crowds being able to hear. Laci moved to purchase new speakers if needed. Kevin seconded.

Rules were set for the Cowboy Scramble and Wild Cow Milking events for JCFR.

The Cowboy Scramble will run 2 teams at the same time. There will be a 3-minute time limit. There will be 4 calves and 2 steers released in the arena. The event will start with each team mounted behind the judge's line. Upon the signal, each team will rope, brand and doctor 2 calves, and one steer. The calves may be roped catch as catch can, then must be branded and doctored with a chalk mark to the face. The rope must be removed before the calf is marked with the chalk. The steer must be headed & heeled with one of the 3 legal head catches, tied by 3 legs, both ropes must be removed and steer will remain tied for 6 seconds after calling for time.

Wild cow milking – Teams will be composed of 3 members who are not mounted. Cows will be haltered in the bucking chutes prior to the start of the event. Each team will be assigned to a bucking chute. Each team must milk their own cow. Bottles will be provided to each team. Teams in possession of any milk prior to the start of event will be disqualified. The cow must be standing while being milked. Milker may pass the bottle to the mugger to run to the judge. Runner must hand the bottle to the judge. There must be enough milk in the bottle to pour – no milk will result in dq. Fastest team with milk wins. No unnecessary abuse to the cattle will be tolerated. Judges and arena directors decisions are final. Sandi will order colored arm bands to differentiate the teams to judges and audience.

The July meeting will be rescheduled due to rodeo entries, Sandi will notify the Bulletin that the July meeting will be Monday, July 17th in order to review rodeo entries.