

## JOHNSON COUNTY FAIR BOARD

### Minutes

AUGUST 27TH, 2020

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: 6:12 PM by Kevin Rodriguez**

**Kristen LaDuke, Gary Arno, Kelly Camino, Michael Mader, Kevin Rodriguez**

**GUESTS: Amanda Kaufmann for foundation and fair horse update**

**UPDATES:**

**REPORTS:**

- Caretaker's Report
  - o Project List: Trying to keep ahead of next events and cleaning up grounds from fair and rodeo
- Secretary's Report: Kristen revived all reports provided to FB. Looked at budget and discussed options and changes, and how we can make changes for 20/21.
  - o Payables
  - o Payroll
- Foundation Report: Foundation will be selling beer for the Indian Relay races as a fundraiser. Concert brought in over \$5,000. Working hard to bring in some money for the year.
- Livestock Committee Report: No report
- Queen Report: No Report

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Fair and Rodeo
  - o Review
    - Horse- Amanda- believed it was a great fair. Would like to see some changes, like change for static for horse kids. Would like to see something happen and some changes for the vandalism to our grounds during fair.
    - Kevin would like to talk to Gary and Kristen about fair and how it is handled. We have to enjoy fair and the week of fair
    - Would like to move camping to move in to Friday for options for concert
    - Market animals and drug use. It has been brought up from some participants.
    - Will review again at next meeting
- Concert
  - o Review: no changes

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Buildings
  - o Community Building: looked over building options
  - o Arena
    - Memorandum: Mike asked everyone to fill out and give back for a meeting with priefert next week.

**Adjourned: 8:59PM**

**NEXT MEETING DATES**

**No Sept**

**October 10<sup>th</sup>**

**November 14<sup>th</sup>**

**December 12<sup>th</sup>**

# Johnson County Fair Board Strategic Planning

## Mission

The Board of Directors of the Johnson County Fair is committed to producing a successful fair which promotes and advance the interest of agriculture and community development. The Fair Board is committed to preserve, improve and promote the JCFG property as a premier site for agricultural, educational and community events

## Goals

The Johnson County Fair Board Goals:

### o **Yearly**

- o When possible use maintenance free items on any upgrades
- o Tree maintenance
  - A. A prioritized list of trees that need trimmed
  - B. Add new trees to designated area (work with Foundation on memorial trees)
  - C. Have a mapped-out tree plan where we need to plant new trees
  - D. Mapped area of what trees need removed

### o **1 Year 2020/2021**

- o Entryway- Obtain bids and put as a budget item for 20/21
  - Main Entry- Rock entry with gates and flower area
  - North Entry- Log entry with gates
  - Southern Entry- Log entry with gates
- o Fence updates-Funds Requested from 1%- fence along north entrance
- ~~o Barn updates~~
  - ~~• Funds Requested from 1% update ½ block barn for cow/calf pairs, ½ block barn chicken/rabbit area. Block barn year round Horse Barn~~
  - ~~• Repurpose old chicken/rabbit barn for shaded picnic area in the infield and camping area~~
  - ~~• Funds Requested from 1% gutters to barns~~
- o Arena and Track Ground Updates. Put as a Budget item for 20/21
  - Find a company that can look at our soil to see what we might need to add or if we need to start fresh
  - Receive bids for Track area in front of the grandstands
  - Receive bids for Main Arena
  - Receive bids for second arena
- ~~o Update sound system in the show ring Request money from JC Rec Board~~
- o Produce a mailer to use as a promotional mailing to solicited national shows including horse, cattle, sheep, goats etc. Request money from Tourism Board
- o Update all barns to include LED

### **2023 (3 year)-**

- o Extend Sheep Barn Work with Builders to obtain (?)
- o Build a bigger CB- replace exhibit hall, cook shack, needle craft and block bathrooms
  - Contact current renters of the CB to ask what would you like to see in a new building
  - Work with an architect and JOCO First to obtain a building design and costs
  - Work with county entities to obtain funding plan for the building
  - Work with county entities to obtain funding for table, chairs, exhibit displays and other supplies for a new CB Receive bids for Main Arena

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- Research grants and partnerships
- Make a plan for Removal of exhibit hall, cook shack needle craft and black bathroom
  - Can they be used elsewhere on the grounds or can another county entities use them
  - If they can't be salvaged plan for tear down and dumping
- Update Current CB
  - Retrofit outside to mirror new CB
  - Update inside CD flooring
  - Add office space
  - Add board room
- Pave and level parking lots
  - Obtain bids
  - Research funding options or grants
- Track rail fence- paint and update
- Finish water line phase 2 & 3
- Install a Security System around grounds
  - Obtain bids
  - Reach out to other fair grounds to see what they are using
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### **2025(5 year)-**

- Add new camping area south of tractor shed.
  - Research Grants and partnership for funding
  - Mark out area for camping so we can start planting trees in camping area
- Build a multipurpose ag building south of Extension office
  - Research multipurpose buildings in the area to see what their strengths and weakness are.
  - Work with an architect and JOCO First to obtain a building design and costs
  - Research grant and partnerships for funding
  - Work with foundation on private funding plan for the building

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