

Minutes of the Columbia County Fair Board

May 14th, 2018

Called to order by Chairman Butch Guess at 5:58 p.m.

Board Members present: Butch Guess, MaryAnn Guess, Kathy McMullen, Brooke McDowall, Ingrid Chamberlain, Charles Weaver, and Amanda McFeron

Amanda made a motion to approve ratify April minutes. Charles seconded and motion carries.

Kathy makes a motion to approve April bills. Amanda seconded and motion carries.

Citizen input- Erica Brown did fundraising for the new goat pens. Fair board wants to wait until all the money is in to order all of the pens so they are all the same. We can possibly move the open class and market to the sheep barn if available. The superintendents of each barn set up their own barns. The pens need to be pressure washed. Once the goat pens are set up (hopefully early June), then we can evaluate how we can make the pens safer for this year. All barns need to be set up in the beginning of June. It takes 30 days to disinfect.

When doing the barns and bringing chairs or hay, it needs it needs to be taken out when leaving.

There is a stack behind the poultry barn of panels that need to be scrapped. If market goats are moved to the sheep barn would split 4H clubs. May be able to move goats to sheep barn, and sheep to the goat barn, trying to accommodate all the goats. Would like barns ready by June 9th. Woody suggested just setting up, but the superintendents would have to set up twice. The main barn to be set up in June is the goat barn, \$25,000.00 is the total needed for the goat pen fundraiser as estimated by the friends of fair, and they have about \$7,000.00.

Dairy Woman are working with the soil & water Conservation district on some projects for the Ag building. Grey water is in the tanks, 250 gallons, that Hudson pumps. They cannot be in public view. There will be mesh, 100'x60', over the auction area this year. Two loads of shavings and one load of chips is being donated. Beef barns and around some of the other barn areas have chips. New updated Rodeo Court application online.

Rodeo Court Committee-They would like to do a game show series June 6th, 13th, & 27th, alternate July 11th. Amanda made a motion. Charles seconded and motion carries.

March 5th, 2019 they would like to do the dinner Auction. They have new members that have sucked in. Amanda made a motion. Ingrid seconded and motion carries for Rodeo Courts Auction Dinner being March 5th, 2019.

Youth Fair is this coming weekend, May 19th. They will move the bleachers from the goat, and take the bad ones to the shop. Donna would like to do the drill during the Rodeo.

Email for banner sponsor for the NPRA. Also gave financials for this year.

Rodeo Committee- Brooke is getting sponsors. Red tack on a dark bay horse, chaps are not looking good. Past count did not take care of them.

Auction Committee: None

Old Business: Paving will take place this week.

Open Class: Peewee showmanship. 28 kids(ribbon) 2-9 (pre 4H) open to anyone. Woody will be at the Saturday workshop.

Brooke stated that everyone needs to be open to change.

Butch: The workday was a decent turn out. Brooke pointed out that it may be stressful for the younger kids to cross the road. She also has 14-15 volunteers that are willing to help set up pens.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.