



DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR BOARD- ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020 AT 6:30 PM

MINUTES

Attendance: Scott Candelaria, Lora Talbert, Debbie Mills, Robin Vogel, Synneva Knopp

Virtual Meeting

Entertainment for the Indoor Arena

Synneva informed the group that she had talked to Gina from Get Connected Events to see if she had any ideas for new entertainment options for the Indoor Arena per the Committee's request. She listed off the various ideas Gina had: Michael Martin Murphy's Rendezvous, a vintage circus/day camp, theatrical jousting and a cavalia performance. The Committee was not interested in pursuing any of those options. Debbie said she could reach out to a few of her contacts to see about doing some sort of horse performance. She warned against have a main attraction ticketed event in the Indoor Arena the same time as the rodeo to avoid competing for sales.

The Committee would like to see a proposal from Gina with walkaround entertainment similar to last year and 4-5 bands to select from with a mix of old a new country. The Committee also determined that Gina won't be needed to oversee the Marketplace vendors.

Beyond the Dirt

The Entertainment Committee will need to work with the Rodeo Committee on this event. The key is finding a good location. In the past the Rodeo Committee would prefer to be in the Indoor Arena, shielded from the elements.

Barn Dance

The committee is considering having a barn dance in the Indoor Arena on Saturday night if there isn't a large concert. Scott asked Synneva if they were planning on having one. Synneva responded saying she asked Luanne about it the other day and there hasn't been any action taken so far in to having one. Synneva said given the uncertain times we were in, she thinks it would be wise to avoid planning a large concert.

Dance on the Midway Friday Night

The Committee would like to continue having a concert/dance at the Midway stage on Friday night. They would like to source and select the band for this performance. Debbie is going to reach out to Buckstein to see if he is available and what his price would be. Synneva is going to connect with Michelle to see what band suggestions she might have.

Kiefer Hitch

Lora stated the Kiefer Hitch will be returning for 2021. Debbie said she was glad to hear the news and said that they could be utilized in other areas of the Fair as well as for educational purposes in the barn. Lora asked how much Kiefer Hitch costs,

Behind the Chutes

Lora let the Committee know that she talked to Debbie and the Marketing Committee already handles this so there is no need to reinvent the wheel.

Educational Tours

Lora expressed wanting to set up educational tours. Robin said she thinks this is a great idea- She took her daughter to Sea World and they spent quite a bit of money to do a behind-the-scenes tour and have a more hands on experience. She thinks it would be great to implement this at Fair and involve the 4-H kids and Superintendents. Lora is going to put together a proposal to share with the committee and Fair Board.

Chair Recommendation

This item was skipped.

Next Meeting:

December 8, 2020

Comments: