

6:30 PM CONVENE VIA CONFERENCE CALL

Present: Alyse Webber, Chairman; Eddie Coulter, Vice Chairman; Jeff Greenlee, Pat Ehret, and Wendy Wagner, Board Members; Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager
Absent: Michael Millward, Ex-Officio Board Member
Guest: Dustan Davis, IT

6:30 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Alyse Webber called the meeting to order.

6:30 PM APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Pat Ehret made a motion to approve the April 7, 2020 Fair Board Agenda. Eddie Coulter seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

6:30 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jeff Greenlee made a motion to approve the February 10, 2020 Fair Board Minutes. Eddie Coulter seconded. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

6:31 PM PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for public comment.

6:31 PM Newell Broadcasting/Andrea Koeningsfeld

This agenda item was tabled.

6:31 PM Manager's Report

Shyla let the Board know that we have hired back the same summer crew as last year including Floyd Ehret, Ashley Varner, Sophia Dulin, Logan Graham, and Riley Schultz.

6:33 PM Extension Report

Vendor Building Painting – Eddie said that the 4H wants to get a grant together to paint our old exhibit hall but he needs to run it by the Commission to make sure we wouldn't have liability issues.

6:35 PM OLD BUSINESS

Shop Cement Project

Eddie said that they planned on doing it in April but with COVID19 he wasn't sure. He will give them a call.

Dishes

Shyla wants to purchase the dishes for the Exhibit Hall that they budgeted for.

Pat Ehret made a motion to order the dishes for the price listed in the proposal. Wendy Wagner seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

6:42 PM NEW BUSINESS

Crow's Nest Flagpole

Eddie thinks it would be nice to have another flagpole behind the crow's nest. Jeff asked how big it'd need to be. Eddie said around 30 ft. and sturdy. Wendy suggests reaching out to Baker Metal for a quote. The board agreed. Shyla will look into this.

Montana High School Finals Rodeo

Shyla gave a COVID-19 update. Everything is at a standstill until we hear from the Commission or the Montana High School Rodeo Association to move forward or cancel. The Association is trying to get some spring rodeos pushed through but haven't had much luck. The Commissioners were pretty pessimistic about it happening. Pat doesn't think it's our call to make. Eddie thinks our only hope is if they push Nationals back.

Xtreme Broncs – Eddie said we supposed to have a meeting with Commission on April 24th for this decision, but if we don't get the fees paid we completely lose our chances of having it this year even though the all but one is refundable. Alyse said the only thing that was non-refundable is our membership fee. Shyla will make sure we are on the Agenda.

Montana Silversmiths – Shyla presented the quote for prizes that don't have a date on them so they can be used any year in the event of a 2020 cancellation.

Jeff Greenlee made a motion to pay the \$900 Montana Silversmiths invoice for prizes. Pat Ehret seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

Montex – Shyla asked if they know our status. Eddie said he would call them.

Fallon County Fair

Night Show – Shyla said that we have some extremely talented acts hired for this year. For most contracts, we need to make the call by July 1st on whether or not we will be able to have a Fair. If we were to cancel, it would be a nice gesture to offer to hire them for 2021. Alyse said that she wouldn't want to offer the 2021 contract until we absolutely have to because if we find out we can have a Fair last minute, she's positive most our acts would pull through and still come. Shyla said she just would like the Board to be ok with her telling acts that we'd want them for 2021 if we cannot make 2020 happen. The Board agreed.

Wendy Wagner motioned to allow Shyla Hadley to offer a 2021 hire to any Fallon County Fair contracts needing to be cancelled due to COVID19 in 2020. Eddie Coulter seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

Other Contracts – Shyla said Darcy is working on a Knights of Valour and Night Show counteroffers. This will give us more time to decide on what to do with Fair.

Vendors – Shyla let the Board know about Miles City Food Trucks wanting to come. She read them their menu. They submitted a vendor application for MHSFR and Fair. The Board would like to hire them for both.

7:32 PM ADJOURN

Jeff Greenlee made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Eddie Coulter seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:
s/Alyse Webber, Chairman

ATTEST:
s/Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager