

**6:30 PM CONVENE**

**Present:** Alyse Webber, Chairman; Eddie Coulter, Vice Chairman; Jeff Greenlee, Pat Ehret, and Wendy Wagner, Board Members; Michael Millward, Ex-Officio Board Member

**Absent:** Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager;

**Guest:** None

**6:31 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Alyse Webber called the meeting to order.

**6:31 PM APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Eddie Coulter made a motion to approve the January 20, 2020 Fair Board Agenda. Jeff Greenlee seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

**6:31 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jeff Greenlee made a motion to approve the November 25, 2019 Fair Board Minutes. Pat Ehret seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

**6:32 PM PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one appeared for public comment.

**6:32 PM Manager's Report**

Alyse presented report. Discussion followed. It was noted that Shyla will likely be back to work within the next couple weeks.

**6:39 PM Extension Report**

Michael reported that the scale is here and the cement pad looks good. It still needs to be set and bolted into place. He stated they will work on that in February. He is still working with panel company to correct the last order, which was sent with only 2-way hooks when they requested 3 way hook attachments. Their office has been working with them for months with no resolution to date. Panels are believed to be here, and possibly were used last year for pig and sheep. He thinks Maggie will be back the end of February. Eddie asked if Baker Metal could add the extra hook attachment. He said yes, will try to get credit for the error and go from there. 4-H horse club has discussed the option of having a day separate from the fair for a western horsemanship competition. Wendy proposed Wednesday. Michael said there are several events and they think it will need an entire day. Eddie says nothing past 6pm on Wednesday. Alyse proposed possibly Tuesday all-day event. Michael asked if they could still get premiums if they had it at a separate time/day from fair. The board agreed that would have to go through the commissioners.

**7:04 PM OLD BUSINESS**

**Event Camping/Parking**

Commissioner Update – fair board members missed the second meeting. So far, all that's been decided is that parking and camping should be only during events. No long-term parking or camping outside of event days. However, an official decision is still pending.

**Other Event Ideas**

Archery Shoot – Unofficially Feb 29<sup>th</sup>, commissioners approved the event. Jade is working on insurance. Alyse asked about awards. There will be 3 divisions: Women, youth, and Open. Eddie proposed we charge \$15 per contestant split to keep, award, and put toward targets; no decision has been made yet.

Spring Event – escape room company from last year sent email to see if we wanted to book again, the board agreed to pass. Alyse presented that Carrie Schwartz has the set up for escape rooms and laser tag and would be interested in doing it for us. Alyse will check into her prices. Would like to do both on separate weekends. Eddie propose laser tag for weekend of archery shoot.

**7:18 PM NEW BUSINESS**

**Montana High School Finals Rodeo**

Circuit Finals Update – no one attended but we won large rodeo of the year and sponsored hospitality room.

Website – no update

Photographer – Eddie confirmed one has been hired for 2020.

## Fallon County Fair

Night Show – Headliner contract has been sent to Darcy. We got a contract for breaking eight to be opener and was approved by NGDB.

**Wendy Wagner made a motion to approve the hiring of Breaking 8 at the presented contract price. Pat Ehret seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

Alyse will send the contract to Darcy and Debbie for review/approval.

Glass Blowers – mobile glass studio declined.

Knights of Valour – After discussion the board agrees to hire 4 riders again this year at previously discussion and so moved contract price.

Lumberjacks – Alyse presented the board with quote from Timberworks Lumberjack show along with their requirements and set up footprint. The board agrees to hire lumberjacks Olympics of the forest show at the presented price.

Laser Encore – Alyse asked which show we would like to have. They start at 20-30 minutes and go up from there. The board decided the shorter show would be sufficient. Alyse will email to get contract.

Robocars – Alyse presented the quote for two and four cars for our fair dates. Wendy reminded the board that they will also participate in the parade.

**Eddie Coulter made a motion to hire four Robo-Cars at the price presented. Jeff Greenlee seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

Steve's Balloons – Alyse reported that Darcy has made addendums which have been sent to commission and approved. She has since sent the signed contract back to Steve's Balloons but hasn't gotten the final copy back yet.

Bob Bohm's – Alyse reported that they are not available for our 2020 fair dates.

Freckle Farms – Alyse can't find any contract for 2020. She will email the contact she found, and will need to ask Shyla what contact she has had with them. Alyse will email them to verify they are reserved for our dates.

Rock Bottom Boys – Eddie has not heard back but will contact them again to see if they are available.

Wendy brought up the Cyclone drink maker, Alyse said she will ask Shyla to get in contact with them for 2020.

PRCA – Alyse reported the commission approved purse money same as last year. Eddie presented a list of saddle sponsors.

## 8:23 PM ADJOURN

**Wendy Wagner made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Pat Ehret seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Next Board Meeting, Monday, February 10, 2020.**

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ADJOURN:  
s/Alyse Webber, Chairman

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ATTEST:  
s/ Alyse Webber, Chairman