

6:30 PM CONVENE

Present: Alyse Webber, Chairman; Eddie Coulter, Vice Chairman; Wendy Wagner, Matt Plaisted, and Karrol Williams, Board Members; Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager

6:30 PM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Alyse Webber called the meeting to order.

6:30 PM APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Wendy Wagner made a motion to approve the February 22, 2021 Fair Board Agenda. Eddie Coulter seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

6:31 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Eddie Coulter made a motion to approve the January 25, 2021 Fair Board Minutes. Matt Plaisted seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

6:31 PM PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for public comment.

6:31 PM Manager's Report

Shyla presented her manager's report for review.

6:42 PM Extension Report

Shyla reported that Michael Willward, the current Fallon County Extension Agent is resigning. His last day will be Friday, February 26, 2021.

6:43 PM OLD BUSINESS

Carson and Barns—Circus Saurus

Shyla got a call from the Carson and Barns circus and they would like to come back and have the "Circus Saurus". They are anticipating it will be the last week of May, but he will contact Shyla soon with the official date. Karrol went to it when they were here last and loved it. The Board agreed. Shyla said they were completely self sustained and all she has to do is sell pre-sale. Then we get a percentage off the total ticket sales.

Karrol Williams made a motion to host the Carson and Barns Circus in 2021. Matt Plaisted seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

Archery Shoot Backstops

Eddie got a quote for back stops at \$770 per stop. They are 6x14 probably would need 4-6 of them. Alyse asked if we would host one this year if we got them. Eddie said yes, people enjoyed it last year and have been asking if we could do it again. Eddie is going to look up some other options. Alyse tabled the decision on backstops.

7:03 PM NEW BUSINESS

Bucking Horse Sale Advertising

Eddie said it costs \$500 to get our logo on a rider at the Bucking Horse Sale.

Wendy Wagner made a motion to advertise at the Miles City Bucking Horse Sale for \$500. Karrol Williams seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

2021 Montana High School Finals Rodeo

Shyla asked Alissa Miller to help with camping again this year and she said yes but she wants help. Alyse suggested we ask Alissa who she would like to help her and go from there. Shyla confirmed that the "Western Package" inflatables are a go for Thursday night. She thought since the inflatables are exclusive to the contestants on Thursday night, maybe we could keep the inflatables for Friday and it have it open to the community and contestant families. Eddie said yes Friday afternoon. The Board agreed that was a good idea. Shyla will ask for pricing. Shyla asked about the Calcutta. Alyse and Wendy said they don't want to do it again. Shyla wondered if some outside organization would want to pick it up. Eddie thought the Chamber might be interested. Shyla asked if the board wanted to change and pricing or details on the registration. The Board said no. Shyla asked about times of events. There was some discussion on this. The current food vendors include: Bogey's BBQ, Grub Stop, Knights of Columbus and Assembly of God. The Board agreed. Shyla said she wasn't sure about Texas Twisters, but she would look into it.

2021 Fallon County Fair

Our current Carnival told Shyla he isn't sure if he is able to make this year work since he took such a hit last year. She said she was told Central Montana Fair is also going to inflatables. Carnivals are just not wanting to come to our area. Eddie thinks that if he isn't sure we should probably go forward with inflatables. The Board agrees. Shyla will look into it. Shyla said we are still in contract negotiations with the Night Show. Pippi, Animal Cracker and Freckle Farms contracts are with Darcy, and we are still waiting for Jagertown and Extreme Dogs contracts. Shyla asked about ticket prices, last year it was \$20 for the center reserved seating, \$15 for an adult and \$5 for kids 18 and under. For the Night Show we did \$10 for reserved upper seating, \$20 for reserved lower seating and \$30 for pit tickets. The Board wants to keep it all the same. Shyla asked about the stage seating. Eddie said it worked well having that reserved for sponsors. Shyla asked about Tough Enough to Wear Pink. Eddie said Saturday. Wendy is going to ask if the Derby wants us to do tickets with us again this year. Shyla asked about times of events, Eddie said Thursday and Friday Rodeos: 7:00pm gates open at 5:30pm, Saturday: 1:00pm gates open at 11:30pm, Night Show: 8:00pm gates open at 6:30pm. The Board agreed. Shyla said current Food Vendors include: our usual local organizations, Bogey's BBQ, Texas Twisters, and potentially the Wood Fired Pizza guy. Wendy said Jessica is interested in bringing coffee to the High School Rodeo and Fair.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 15, 2021 6:30pm

8:08 PM ADJOURN

Wendy Wagner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Karol Williams seconded the motion. 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:
s/Alyse Webber, Chairman

ATTEST:
s/Shyla Hadley, Fairgrounds Manager