

Walker County Fair Association
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Minutes of 2018 Annual Business meeting

1. The annual meeting of the Walker County Fair Association was called to order at 7:34 pm by President, Billy Hirsch.
2. The Invocation was given by Immediate Past President, Rusty Davis, followed by the pledge of allegiance lead by the 2018-2019 WCFA Queen and court.
3. **Special Recognitions:** there were none presented during this meeting.
4. **Secretary's report:** minutes from the 2017 annual meeting were presented to all the members present and was asked to review by the president of the WCFA.
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Jana Certa.
 - b. Second to the motion was made by Rusty Davis.
 - c. Motion carried.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** was not ready to be presented this month from Bickley, Prescott Webb and Wells, the fair's accounting firm. Clint McLaren, reported that the accounts receivable for this year's fair have been excellent and we are in good financial condition.
 - a. Motion was made by Genevieve Allen to accept the Treasurer's verbal report of the state of the fair.
 - b. Second to the motion was made by Phillip Cobler.
 - c. Motion carried unanimously.
6. **Review of the 2018 fair year:**
 - a. The review was presented by President Billy Hirsch highlighting some of the events that took place during the year from the officers and committees that reported.
7. **By-law changes:** none were presented for this year as confirmed by Kelsey Christian.
8. **Nominating Committee:** Rusty Davis
 - a. Introduction to the voting procedures were outlined by the chairman of the nominating committee, Rusty Davis. Instructions were given as to who was eligible to vote and how the vote would proceed during the meeting.
 - b. In the form of a motion 26 names were introduced as the 2018-2109 directors of the WCFA by nominating committee chair, Rusty Davis. They were:

- i. Gene Bartee, Lauren Bartee, Shelly Beard, Colt Christian, Phillip Cobler, Courtney Dyer, Derl Ellisor, Sharon Fordyce, Sherry Hirsch, Viola Hollis, LeighAnne Klawinsky, Jeremy Koonce, Julie Kuykendall, Randi Long, Cody McCaffety, Clint McLaren, Trae Mitchell, Kristi Rushing, Aaron Sandel, Ryan Saucier, Lexie Stoudt, Tracy Stoudt, Jamie Thompson, Kaci Wells, Kristal Wood and Janice Yargo.
 - ii. Rusty Davis called for nominations from the floor. Nominations from the floor included: Madison Hayman, Jamie Duke, Jason Burnett and Suzanne Castell.
 - iii. Rusty Davis called two more times for nominations from the floor.
 - iv. Motion to close nominations was made by Jana Certa.
 - v. Second to the motion was made by Billy Hirsch.
 - vi. Motion carried.
 - vii. Ballots were distributed to all eligible members of the WCFA. Instructions were given to vote for 26 members and no more. Voting for less is permissible, but more than 26 votes on a ballot would disqualify the entire ballot.
 - viii. Voting occurred and ballot count started at 7:58 pm. Meeting was in recess.
 - ix. The meeting returned from recess at 9:20 pm.
 - x. Announcements of the 26 Directors were made. They are: Gene Bartee, Lauren Bartee, Shelly Beard, Colt Christian, Phillip Cobler, Courtney Dyer, Sharon Fordyce, Sherry Hirsch, Viola Hollis, LeighAnne Klawinsky, Jeremy Koonce, Julie Kuykendall, Randi Long, Cody McCaffety, Clint McLaren, Trae Mitchell, Kristi Rushing, Aaron Sandel, Ryan Saucier, Lexie Stoudt, Tracy Stoudt, Jamie Thompson, Kaci King Wells, Kristal Wood, Janice Yargo and Jason Burnett.
- c. Nominating Committee, Rusty Davis Chairman, in the form of a motion nominated the following for the WCFA Executive Committee Term expiring 2023 candidates announced were:
- i. Shelly Beard, Colt Christian, Phillip Cobler, Sherry Hirsch, Clint McLaren, and Janice Yargo.
 - ii. There were no nominations from the floor.
 - iii. Motion to accept nominations was made by Bobby Lane.
 - iv. A voice vote was called for by the chairman of the nominating committee.
 - v. Motion carried.
- d. The Nominating Committee, in the form of a motion, nominated Colt Christian for President.
- i. The chairman asked for nominations from the floor and Mike Yargo was nominated from the floor.
 - ii. Ballots were distributed for the candidates and the name of Mike Yargo had to be added to the ballot under the column nomination from the floor.
 - iii. Roll Call was done by the fair secretary and ballots were handed to only those on the Executive Board.

- iv. Again, after ballots were distributed, instructions were given on the voting procedure.
- v. Ballots were collected and at 9:35 the counting began.
- vi. The Nominating Committee chair announced the successful candidate at 9:44 as Mike Yargo.
- vii. The Nominating Committee chair called together the Nominating Committee at 9:45pm into executive session for a nomination to fill the vacancy of Mike Yargo on the Officer Board.
- viii. The Nominating Committee chair in the form of a motion at 9:47 announced the following candidates for the office of Vice-President:
 - 1. Lee Beard
 - 2. Colt Christian
 - 3. Tammy Douget
 - 4. Glenda Ellington
 - 5. Tom Fordyce
 - 6. Clint Walters
- ix. In the form of a motion the Nominating Committee nominated for the office of Secretary, Bob Stoudt. For the office of Treasurer, Clint McLaren.
- x. The Nominating Committee chair asked for nominations from the floor for the office of vice-president. Tim Buhler was nominated from the floor.
- xi. Calls for nominations from the floor was made two more times. Nominations were closed.
- xii. Roll Call began at 9:52 for the distribution of ballots for the offices of vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer.
- xiii. At 10:00 pm, the nominating committee returned from counting and announced the successful candidates:
 - 1. Vice Presidents are: Lee Beard, Colt Christian, Tammy Douget, Glenda Ellington, Tom Fordyce and Clint Walters.
 - 2. Secretary elected to return for a third term is Bob Stoudt.
 - 3. Treasurer elected to return for a third term is Clint McLaren.
- xiv. The Nominating Committee Chair announced the entire newly elected board as:
 - 1. President, Mike Yargo
 - 2. Vice Presidents: Lee Beard, Colt Christian, Tammy Douget, Glenda Ellington, Tom Fordyce and Clint Walters.
 - 3. Treasurer: Clint McLaren
 - 4. Secretary: Bob Stoudt
 - 5. Immediate Past President: Billy Hirsch
 - a. Rusty Davis announced he would be retiring to the back of the room.

9. Swearing in of newly elected officers/directors -

- a. Swearing in of the newly elected fair officials was conducted by Walker County Judge, Danny Pierce.

10. **Open Forum:** There was nothing presented during Open Forum

11. **Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn was made by Rusty Davis to adjourn at 10:15 pm.

- a. Second to the motion was made by Billy Hirsch.

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