

Washington Co Fair

Board Meeting

2-26-24

Members Present: Teresa Luney, Tracy Roebke, Sarah Wynne, Doris Cassidy, Brad Wright, Michael Weaver, Jerry Moyer, Jennifer Emerson, Jeremy Hunt, Dale Hill, Randall Lewis, Cory Ashworth, Cheryl West, Allen Moore, Sarah Hale, Jeremy Bailey, Justin Blankenship.

Absent: None

President Dale Hill called the meeting to order.

Jeremy Hunt made motion to approve minutes

Michael Weaver second

Motion Passed.

Michael Weaver led prayer and the pledge.

This year's fair will be August 20-24.

Doris gave a report from the safety committee.

The safety committee recommends we spend \$17,884.15 of the grant money (\$149,000) to purchase:

90 bicycle panels

3 panel racks to hold the panels

15 A frame holders

Michael moved we follow the security committees' recommendations.

Allen seconded.

Motion passed.

Allen moved we have \$2 Tuesday.

Michael 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Motion passed.

Allen moved all motorized vehicle operators; bicycle, skateboard or electronic scooters riders must be 21 years of age.

Michael moved to table the motion to further discuss bicycles until the April meeting.

Justin second.

Motion passed.

Doris said people who bring their campers before August 17 need to pay early arrival fee of \$30/day if they plug in to electricity. Cory is developing a rule for the catalog.

Ozark Electric gave a bid to add a pole and meter to the NE corner of the Dairy Barn, leave hog barn and arena on existing meter, set one pole and meter at the west end of the poultry barn for poultry dairy goats and sheep and set 2 poles and meters near the fence by the interstate for RVs. These meters can be turned off when not in use. The cost on this is \$650 and to install 20-50 amp hook ups and water for the hook ups near the interstate for \$8900. This total of \$9,550.

Michael moved to accept the OE bid for \$9550.

Cheryl second.

Motion passed.

The Sherriff's office needs someone to join the Emergency Management Team in the fair office from 6pm until midnight/closing who can decisions on Friday and Saturday night. Cheryl will be available for them, and Lanny Rice will take over her gate money position in the office.

Lanny also agreed to oversee parking during the premium sale again.

If any board member has a problem with the sizes and type of worker/ vehicle passes, contact Cheryl so she can order the correct kind.

Morgan Hunt shared 5 price package recommendations for photography services provided during the fair.

Sarah W moved to go with option 5, which means Morgan will sell banners as a fundraiser to pay for a photography contract. The amount of money she raises will determine which package we can purchase.

Jerry second.

Motion passed.

Executive Board is updating committees.

Cheryl gave a financial report.

She will be closing the Bikes and Blues Account.

Dale appointed Jeremy Hunt, Brad Wright, Alan Moore, Cheryl West, Lanny Rice to an AYE committee. They will report back at the special meeting which will be held next Monday at 6:30.

Jeremy H. reported that the dairy barn needs electrical repairs.

Allen moved to make needed dairy barn electrical upgrades for \$5000.

Jerry second.

Motion passed.

Jeremy H. gave a report on the fair book updates.

Jeremy Bailey made a motion clarify junior exhibitors to be: 4-H eligible or 5 as of January 1 until the Fall semester after they graduate or the end of their 4-H eligibility.

Allen seconded.

Motion passed.

Fair book changes are due to Meghan by April 15.

Darrell asked if we could move the Showdeo to Saturday morning.

Ashley brought up commercial does and commercial ewes eligibility to continue to compete in the market show. Since some exhibitors have already purchased animals for this year we agreed to leave it.

Brad Wright moved to accept all changes to the fair book.

Sarah Wynne second.

Motion carried.

We need a superintendent for the pageant and dog show. We will discuss at the next meeting.

Dale announced the next Fair Board Meeting Dates:

3/4 6:30 Special Meeting for AYE

4/15 7pm at Fair Office

7/15 7pm at Fair Office

8/5 7pm at Fair Office

8/10 Fairgrounds Clean-up 8am

Ashley is willing to look into ShoWorks for online entries for livestock. It will cost approximately \$750.

Jeremy H moved to allow Ashley to try ShoWorks this year.

Michael second.

Motion passed.

Tracy moved to adjourn.

Teresa second.

Motion passed.