

Washington Co Fair

Board Meeting

7-15-24

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

Absent: None

President Dale Hill called the meeting to order.

Michael Weaver led the prayer and pledge.

Jeremy Hunt made motion to approve minutes

Michael Weaver second

Motion Passed.

Dale said that Prairie Grove FFA will no longer be parking cars or cleaning the grounds up afterwards.

-It was offered to all FFA chapters in the county with no response.

-If you know anyone interested please let Dale know ASAP.

-Fair Set Up August 10, and the barns will be responsible for cleaning up after themselves after the fair.

The fair photographer will be Chyanne Fogg and enough money was raised for the \$6,000 photo package. Thank you to those who raised money.

Cheryl gave a financial report (March -June)

Operations Committee Report

Davenport's are doing the petting zoo again and the mini bull buck out.

We need to get some new banners to go on the poles near the sheep barn that advertise the fair dates.
Jennifer had some pricing

Travis Clark said he could take care of getting the banner

Recommendations from the committee:

-Put a 10' gate near the Interstate at the South Gate (\$1,250)

Panel near AAO

Other repairs

Total bid \$2600

-New shelving for Thompson Hall \$3500

-Need more tables for Thompson Hall \$2,400 (\$109 each)

-Lighting in the arena \$6,000

Jerry made a motion to buy shelving, gates, and lighting.

Allen second.

Motion carried.

Hugg& Hall donated 12 light towers.

Brad Wright gave a report of several businesses wanting to donate rental equipment to the fair.

Kristi Weaver gave a report.

ConAgra will do an exhibitor breakfast on Tuesday morning.

Please give Kristi a heads up for any free exhibitor meals so she can communicate with the vendors to keep them from overpreparing food.

Fifteen food vendors are lined up.

Twenty-nine non-food vendors

Big Ad Trucks will be here

Kristi would like \$200 for entry way signage.

Cheryl made a motion to buy the signage.

Teresa second.

Motion passed.

Randall Lewis submitted a letter of resignation and recommended Shane Easterling to fill his position.

Allen moved to accept resignation.

Brad Wright second.

Motion passed.

Allen recommend to fill the vacancy with Shane Easterling.

Brad Wright second.

Motion passed.

Discussion of Fair Passes.

-Campers one color

-Everyone else another color

-Vendors designated as Vendors

Gate workers.

The barns will pick a day and work from 10-5 daily.

Security workers will work the gates afterwards.

*Please have your workers arrive 15 minutes before the gate opens to work your shift.

Entries are due August 1 if mailing and August 4 if you are submitting online.

We discussed the need for help cleaning the barns after the fair.

-specifically help cleaning the coffee can feeders and waterers in the Poultry barn.

Jerry Moyer announced Brian Anderson will be the hog judge.

Travis Clark recommended having a “contact for more information” sign for all of the livestock barn. Meghan said she would create a QR code for contacting Extension.

Teresa moved to adjourn.

Cheryl second.

Motion passed.

Upcoming Events

Monday, August 5 at 7pm Board Meeting

Saturday, August 10 at 8am Fair Set-Up