

Uinta County Fair Board Minutes

January 3, 2018

Mountain View Town Hall

I. Call To Order:

- 7:05 p.m. by Joel Giorgis, President
- Joel extended a welcome to newly appointed board members Eric South and Robin Whitmore, and appreciation to those that served on the board in the past for committing their time for the youth and exhibitors of Uinta County

II. In Attendance:

- Joel Giorgis, Becky Luper, Dana Lester, Eric South, Steve Sims, Brandon Day, Robin Whitmore, Ami Barker, Rachelle Saxton, Clay Baird, Becki Frame, Nicole Simmons, Jane Siegismund, Chrystal Sims, Richard DuCharme, Peggy DuCharme

III. Agenda:

- Approved as presented

IV. Minutes:

- To be filed as presented

V. Financials:

- To be filed as presented

VI. Elections:

- Motion by Dana to retain Joel Giorgis as President, Steve Sims as Vice-President, and Becky Luper as Secretary; second by Eric; passed unanimously
- Motion by Becky for Brandon Day to fill the Treasurer position, second by Steve; passed unanimously

- Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month, and the location will continue alternating between the Fair Board Office and Mountain View Town Hall on alternating months
- Dana will be the liaison to Livestock Sale Committee
- Robin will be the liaison to 4-H Council

VII. Public Input:

- Farm Service Agency have contacted the Fair Office in request of the possibility to have their company listed on the check (with the youth exhibitor) as shared ownership of livestock sold at the fair, that they lend funds for up-front. The Board is in favor of this option to allow youth a lending option, thus potentially allowing more youth to participate in fair. Becky will have a Wyoming branch of FSA contact Ami to discuss options or interest. Ami will follow up with Loretta to see if there would be any legal concerns involved.
- An application was received from Uinta Bank with interest of acting as depository for Fair Board funds. The Board communicated that they still feel strongly about leaving the funds with 1st Bank as they are strong supporters of the Fair both as sponsors, and as buyers of a substantial number of animals.
- A written request was received from Lyman High School for donations towards their Senior Grad Night. Motion by Dana, second by Eric to donate two POP tickets to each of the three High Schools, upon individual requests, for Senior Grad Nights; passed unanimously
- Dawn Sanchez sent an email requesting deadlines for 2018 tagging. As per board decision made in 2014, all tagging deadlines will remain constant with Wyoming State Fair tagging deadlines, thus allowing youth to meet WSF requirements and Uinta County Fair requirements collectively. It is the request of the Fair Board to have FFA advisors and the 4-H staff to distribute tags as they have in recent years, unless any of the entities have need or desire not to. Ami will connect with 4-H and FFA to remind them that all required categories of tagging information must be completed at the time a tag is received including: specific breed, gender, color/markings, etc.
- A listing of 2018 4-H Council Officers was distributed

VIII. Committee Reports:

- Nothing from Livestock Sale Committee at this time
- In follow up discussion from Maintenance, Clay requested direction from Fair Board on electrical needs in the livestock barn, as well as direction on the water system in the barn, as he feels there are liability concerns with it due to its age and fragile nature. He also discussed a need for wind bracing to be placed under the awning at the show ring. It was decided to leave the show ring bleachers as they are rather than moving them closer to the

show ring and having the walkway behind the bleachers. It was discussed that watering systems are not available in many other fair facilities including State Fair, and most of the youth are already hauling water in buckets to their livestock at their home facilities. The Board asked Clay to gather and bring back cost proposals for the electrical needs, as well as replacement costs for the water system for further discussion. Dana asked Clay to have someone go through the rough stock pens between the ERS Office and the large arena, to insure that chains and hinges are all in place and operating. Clay will follow up on these items.

IX. Old Business:

- None at this time

X. New Business:

- None at this time
- Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.