

Uinta County Fair Board

Minutes

May 8, 2024

Mountain View Town Hall, Mountain View, WY

Call to Order:

7:03 p.m. by Steve Sims, President

In Attendance:

Becky Lupher, Brett Anderson, Brandon Day, Pete Lym, Steve Sims, Tamara Boglino, Brooke George, Natalie Cornia, Jason Palmer, Chrystal Sims, Mischelle Jones, Sam Krieger, Savannah Weneger, Adrian Hunolt, Josh Davis, Chrystal Labrum, Becky Frame, Marlene Mackey, Bailey Mackey, Cari Sue Covolo

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Financials:

- Bills: Brandon motioned to accept bills as presented. Becky seconded. Motion carried.
- Four scholarships were awarded at \$500.00 each. Becky motioned to approve the scholarships. Andy seconded. Motion carried.

Public Input:

Andrian Hunolt/Savannah Wegener - Team Sorting - Adrian and Savannah discussed the livestock needs for Team Sorting. Thirty-five for 4H cattle events and 75 for the sorting. Transportation of the cattle will be required. The fee of \$10/head was agreed on by Adrian. He stressed that he feels that at that fee rate, it's more of a donation, and as such he is willing to rotate helping, but will not provide the cattle every year. He requested a contract be drafted to clarify the agreed fees, cattle to be provided, transportation, as well as how any cattle injury or loss will be addressed should such a circumstance occur. Tamara will check with Amanda regarding insurance issues and draw up a contract.

Marlene Mackey - Fair Royalty - Presented their interest in bringing back the program to the Fair. She discussed the categories, that they will provide their own sponsors and prizes. They will have their event on June 20, 2024 at the Fairgrounds. They have a liability form from previous years, and will structure it similarly to how it was in the past. This would include expectations and duties. They will use Rodrick Hall and the meeting room. Brandon asked if they desire to only do it for one year or for multiple years. Marlene indicated that they would like to keep the program going for years to come. The Board agreed to support the program.

Crystal Labrum- Wranglers 4H leader - Request to add agility/rally to the Open Dog Show. The course is already set up for 4H, so there's no extra set up needed. The various classes were discussed. Showmanship was also addressed. Open will mirror/match the 4H.

Committee Reports

Livestock Sale Committee: Jason will reach out to the new committee members. Elyse updated on the option on getting the wands from USDA, and reported that it's not the best long term solution. Tamara shared that the \$1,500.00 can come from the speciality equipment line item on the Budget. Brett motioned to pay \$1,500.00 towards half the cost of the purchase of two new wands. Pete seconded. Motion carried. Jason will pursue getting new IPADS.

4-H Comments: There is now a Horse Council. There has been a request for a packet for the judges with the 4H rules that addresses about bits/tack/boots. Judges have used AQHA rules rather than 4H rules which has caused DQ'd participants. 4H rules are more accommodating versus the AQHA regulations. Sam will create the packet. 4H has county ride nights both in Evanston & the Valley and a couple of planned horse shows to prepare for the Fair.

FFA: TIPS trained servers for events was talked about. Steve said that Kenny Peterson said that he, Scott and Jay will do it for us, but Search & Rescue no longer does it.

Commissioner Comments: None

Maintenance: Pig barn coming along, floor is poured. Stacy Maxfield is pouring under bleachers, got the walkways done & drain system. Starting to get parts for the pig waterers. High school trades are going to build the wall in the barn as soon as the floor is done. Wall will be metal on the outside and then board on the inside. Water to hopefully get on next week. Has old knuckles available if anyone wants them, as new ones have been ordered. Mishelle asked about walk-through inspections. Josh replied that those are all City and State.

Fair Staff: April status report was given. Tamara read a thank you note from a scholarship recipient. Tamara presented Brooke with a card/gift as a thank you. Pete asked about buckle sponsor numbers. Tamara indicated that several buckles have been declared. Natalie addressed Fair Book questions.

- Born & Bred structure must be born or from Uinta County. Will be structured similar to Carcass Contest. Will be put at the end in show order. Denise Lester came forward to Natalie with the request adding a class for Special Needs for leatherworking, paper arts, string art, recycled art, ceramics and jewelry. Steve asked for clarification that the specific sheep breeds have been listed in this year's book. Natalie indicated that they are. She also addressed a question from Steve from last month's meeting regarding when premium amounts were changed from years past. Natalie said that it appears that sometime before 2016. She asked for guidance on the scoring for Breakaway/Tie down/Team roping for 4H and Jr. Rodeo. Those events were pulled out of 4H and linked via the Jr. Rodeo for scoring. With the addition of opening the Rodeo to out of county kids, how would that impact getting scores for the 4H kids. This would require kids to enter the rodeo. She will leave it as an entry with a side note that their time will be judged on the rodeo and leave it on the Jr. Rodeo form.
- Premiums were discussed. The issue has been raised to get rid of the \$0.50 dynamic. Brandon asked why the breeding was higher than everything else, and it's because they don't get the chance to go to the sale. It was decided to get rid of the .50 increments. Brett motioned to change the premium amounts from \$1.50 to \$2.00. Pete seconded. Motion carried.
- Cari Sue suggested that she and some of her kids help test ShoWorks to be sure the portal is loading ShoWorks entry data correctly.

Old Business:

Beer vendor: It was decided to go with cans versus kegs. Pete motioned to select Teton as the beverage vendor for this year. Brett seconded. Motion carried.

Opening Act for concert - ZamTrip has been approved. Contracts are signed for a rate of \$800.00 for a one hour show, plus hotel and five guest passes.

Powwow Event -Elyse contacted Gary Fields who is part of a group called Alpine Mountain out of Utah. The quote he gave was \$2500.00 for two days, She told him we'd only need one day. They can do multiple performances of varying lengths, and are available for that Saturday, August 3rd. It's a family group and are flexible. Tamara was tasked to reach out and get a bid.

Quote/Unquote live band dance bid - Original quote was \$500-800 from previous meeting. The current quote was 3 hours at \$3,750.00 for 4 hours at \$5,000.00. This was compared to Kevin Kallas' bid. A counter offer of 2 hours for \$1000.00 was suggested. If this wasn't acceptable or possible, then reaching out to Kevin to add this dance was decided.

Atlas Falls bid - Saturday entertainment \$1,000.00 for 3 hours. This was rejected in favor of the Powwow option.

New Business:

2024 Budget Proposal Review - Tamara presented the budget to the Board. Budget meeting with the County is May 21st at 5:30 p.m. The request made to the County will be for the same amount as given

last year. Steve recommended requesting asking for a bit more for the concert from \$35,000.00 to \$50,000.00

Areas of Responsibility for Board Members at Fair-

Arena Cross - Pete/Elyse
Beef - Steve/Andy
Blue Ribbon Breakfast - Board
Booths/Concessions - Board
Contests/Games - Andy/Pete
Dances - Brett/Becky
Dogs/Cats - Pete/Elyse
Exhibit Hall - Elyse
Fashion Revue - Steve
Horses - Brandon/Pete
Jr. Rodeo - Board
Livestock Sale - Steve/Brandon
Rabbit/Poultry - Brandon
Sheep/Goat - Andy/Brett
Swine - Becky/Elyse
Team Branding/Sorting - Becky/Brett
Tractor Pulls - Brandon
Ultrasound/Carcass Contest - Brett

Aspen Cinema sponsorship In-kind advertising sponsorship - Aspen Cinemas is offering \$1,200.00 of in-kind advertising as a sponsorship. Pete motioned to accept this offer. Brandon seconded. Motion carried.

Beer Servers - Tamara will send the TIPS training information to CariSue. Cari will have 4 people per shift. One truck will be used. Event nights needed are Saturday the 27th, Thursday the 1st and Saturday the 3rd. Bradon motioned to pay FFA \$1,500.00 for event beverage serving. Becky seconded. Motion carried.

Bid from Kevin Kallas - Brandon motioned to accept the \$1,025.00 bid from Kevin Kallas for the DJing and announcing services. Pete seconded. Motion carried.

Bids for Trash bins - Tamara reported that most J. Solutions bid \$2,070.00; Redi Services, \$2,340.00; Wyoming Waste \$2,106.00. Still waiting for Ace's quote. It was decided to wait to see what Ace's bid is. Sawdust quotes were discussed to get from South & Jones and DeGraw. DeGraw covered the loads and as such more sawdust made it to the grounds. Whereas South & Jones is picked up by Road & Bridge and is uncovered, allowing quite a bit to blow out. Josh also told Tamara to reach out to the City regarding garbage bins. Porta potties were also brought up. Josh is leaning towards tacking on the Fair to the current agreement with what he has in place currently.

Cover art/art entries: Tamara presented all the artwork that was received from the Fair Book art contest. Eliza Day was selected as first place and Hannah Liechty was selected as second place.

Livestock Sale Committee Applications - Nine were received. Mischelle Jones, Debbie Fitch, Jason Palmer, Denise Lester, Steve Wilson, Angela Sweep, Brandon Cook, Lori Salsbury, Rhett Groll to create a nine-member committee.

Term limits were decided as:

4 year term - Brandon Cook; Lori Salsubry; Mishelle Jones

3 year term - Angela Sweep; Debbie Fitch; Steve Wilson

2 year term - Denise Lester; Jason Palmer; Rhett Groll

After which it will be 4 year terms going forward.

Brandon motioned to accept these terms. Andy seconded. Motion carried.

Prizes - Brett shared the reminder that the Board was trying to get away from junky/small prizes.

Tamara gave a quick update that the prizes she was looking at were usable for the week of Fair, such as water bottles, cinch bags, sunglasses, and a multi-tool. Graphics and logo were discussed. Brandon motioned to allot \$4,000.00 for small prizes and chairs. Andy seconded. Motioned carried.

Andy brought up the option of having a Uinta County Fair logo for broad use was discussed. Tamara said that she's discussed this with BJ at Westar. Andy motioned to have Westar design a logo for \$125.00.

Elyse seconded. Motion carried.

Ticket takers/groups - Crystal Labrum said that the Wranglers 4H club will do the Concert event. Brett motioned to pay each group volunteering \$350.00 to do ticket collecting. Becky seconded. Motion carried.

Andy brought up an Outlaw Pinewood Derby race. Cars would still have to meet the requirements but anyone could enter. This could be an option for Saturday. Board thought it was a good idea.

Brandon motion to adjourn. Becky seconded. Meeting adjourned at

Meeting Adjourn @ 9:45 pm

Our next meeting will be held at Mountain View Town Hall June 5, 2024 at 7 pm.