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2024 MINUTES of Fair Board Meeting Monday, March 11 @ 5:30 PM Boundary County Fair Board Room

Call to Order of the Monthly Board Meeting - 5:30 p.m.

<u>In Attendance</u>: Stacie Watts, Jodi Stoddard, Jaycee Atkins, Chris Sabin, Glenda Poston, Bert Wood, Ken Goggia, and Dave Wenk

Absent:

Guests:

Liz Wood: Beef weigh-in is this Saturday. General clubs are up and going as well as the livestock and static clubs. One 4-H member went to the Know Your Government in Boise. They would like to send more kids. FFA banquet was a success.

Eric Lederhos: asked if we had thought anymore about putting in the fiber optic option. Pipe has already been run under the railroad, so it is available now. Eric will get us another quote and we will put it on the agenda for April's meeting. Eric would like to offer a helicopter ride for the Shriners as a donation for their fundraiser. He might like to bring it down for the day so people can see it. If he lets us know when he will be coming and going, the animals can be kept in their barns so they don't get spooked. It was suggested that the ball field would be the best spot.

<u>February 12, 2024 Minutes approval</u> Motion to approve the minutes if amended by adding 'or the Extension Office isn't available'. Motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Dave, seconded by Bert, and the motion carried.

Maintenance/Administrator/Fair Reports

<u>Chris</u>: Maintenance Report – 'NO DUMPING' signs are on the dumpster. Now people are dumping back behind the barns. Board suggests we move the yard waste dumpster that is in the back, into the locked warm-up arena not too close to the fence. He brought up past discussion about roof over the shavings, or empty it out after fair. Board suggests we put the shavings in the Indoor Arena after the fair, or dump it if it has gotten wet. FFA didn't mop after their banquet this past weekend, didn't vacuum because the rug was really wet because of the rain. Liz will call Julie Smith to see if some of the kids will come back and mop. Stephanie caught five more cats including a pregnant female, and took them to get fixed. New faucets were put in the VEC kitchen. Eric with E.L.Internet will check into our cameras that are out and send someone to reset them – no charge.

<u>Jodi</u>: Admin Report – Jodi will be gone Spring Break week, Chris will be gone Mar 21 – April 8, Jaycee will be in town if needed. FFA Alumni gave us \$550 donation. Ruth Ann Wilson dropped off a letter about her review of our accounting practices and sent a copy to the Commissioners. She suggested that we pass the monthly invoices around and have the board sign off on them, and that we train someone else in the office procedures. FFA asked if they could have the horse barn for free for a donkey fundraiser. I sent them the policy, and since the company doing the fundraiser for them will be making a profit, they are looking at renting the stalls instead. ICRMP is fine with 4-H putting a safe in the 4-H closet as long as they get their own insurance and name the County Fairgrounds as additional insured. Dave mentioned that 4-H is actually covered under the county insurance, but they do have a small separate insurance for their kids and volunteers. More research will be

done prior to making a decision about the safe in the 4-H closet. Fairground Office hours – Dave would like us to be open later one evening a week and perhaps be open 4 days a week with Jaycee perhaps picking up Fridays and adding another weekday. Jodi and Jaycee will work out a schedule and email it to the board.

Jaycee: Fair Report – Fair magazine put an article in about the Boundary County fair. She sent out about 150 sponsorship forms to local businesses. The Extension office shared their address labels with us. P1FCU will sponsor Buffalo Speedway at \$2,500. Fair Royalty is updated, and Jodi will send it out to the 4-H office. Jaycee will work with Amy and Debbie on the Fairbook. She is putting all our documents on Google Drive so everyone has the ability to access it if they have Gmail. She contacted people to see if they will help with a photo booth handled locally for much cheaper than last year. The equipment is inexpensive. Other suggestions is a mobile escape room, rock painting, BBQ smoker cook-off. She has put together a survey that can be posted through Facebook. She sent it to our emails to review. Jodi and Jaycee will work to combine the two Facebook pages into the newer one and then archive the old one. Jaycee will fill out the wipe boards with the Fair schedules by the next meeting. Dave would like to see Opening Ceremonies shortened. Jaycee suggested maybe doing the parade on Tuesday night and then have opening ceremonies. Dave will bring his side-by-side for use during the fair. Paula Sandelin has her horse drawn wagon if we want to use it during part of fair week.

<u>Facilities, Expense/Budget worksheet</u> – Glenda motioned that we pay the bills, Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Bills Paid \$ 8,120.71
- Payroll \$ 1,917.69 (Expenses total \$10,038.40)
- Capital Expenditures \$ 0
- Rental Security Refunds Facilities \$ 633.50

Income Report \$ 4,596.73

Checking/Savings Account Balances as of FEB 29, 2024

- Checking \$ 23,962.76
- Savings \$ 128,750.23
- CD 6-month (R/O AUG 26, 2024) \$100,000

Old Business -

- 4-H closet Indoor Arena. Jodi called ICRMP concerning putting a small safe in there for fair time. ICRMP said that 4-H needs to get their own insurance waiver and add us to it as additional insured. Table for April's meeting.
- \$100,000 was put into a 6-month CD at Mountain West Bank at 4.9% interest. Our checking and savings accounts were upgraded to a premium program which pays higher interest of between 2.02 and 3.03% depending on if the balance is above or below \$25,000.
- 4-H sent us an annual rental security deposit of \$150 we will bill them separately for any cleaning we might have to do after they use the buildings.
- Roto Harrow Arena Conditioners. Dave researched them. Cost would be approximately \$2,600 delivered. He was told that the arena should be worked up twice a week to keep the soil from compacting. Ken was going to call the Kootenai fairgrounds and report back on what they do. Stacie said she is probably going to purchase one for their farm. She recommends them. Dave will call for an exact price and report next month. Table for April.

New Business -

- Reviewed previous Fee Waiver Policy from 3/1/2020. Leave it as it is. Jodi will put together a spread sheet for usage of FFA and 4-H yearly so we can see how often the buildings are being used at no charge.
- Butterfly house integration into the floral barn/Wells building was discussed. Tess Wagner, floral superintendent had sent in a list of concerns. Dave voiced that he is still in favor of having the butterflies in the Wells Building. Stacie talked to Paula about a double screen door system on both ends of the building, with wheel chair access. Shelly at Sugar Plum floral said that the butterfly concern is not valid their plants come into the nursery with bugs on them. Paula said they wouldn't release them until after judging, and they are not bringing in exotic species as they initially intended. There shouldn't be a

- concern about the vinegar/sugar solution. Jodi will set up an appointment between Dave, Paula, Tess or floral rep. Table for April.
- Review artwork for Fair Book and T-shirts. The board liked the 2-color red & blue state of Idaho by Natalie Feurstein for the T-Shirt, and the eagle/flag submission by Sadee Burt for the Fair Book with computerized lettering. Motion to accept the artwork as chosen was made by Dave, seconded by Glenda, motion carried.

Adjourn:

The next Board Meeting will be on Monday, April 8, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

(Ken Goggia - Vice - Chairman) $\frac{4}{15}$ (date)

(Jodi Stoddard – Board Secretary) $\frac{4}{824}$ (date)