



Larimer County Fair Board Meeting Minutes July 26, 2023, 6:30 pm

The Larimer County Fair Board convened a regular session on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at 6:30 P.M.

Present: Chair: Stephanie Morrison,

Vice Chair: Pat Young

Secretary: Stephanie Fancher English

Board Members: Jay Crouse, Darryl English, Deborah Sherman, Tamara TerAvest, Kristine Miller, John Foley, Logan Lenz, Marv Witt, Melinda Deal

Also Present: County Commissioner – Kristin Stephens, Ranch Director – Conor McGrath, Ranch Manager of Events – Louise Romero, Ranch Interim Assistant Director – Mark Tinklenburg, CSU Extension – Bailey Schilling, Sabrina Borg, Corra Fetzer, Cindy Buckardt, Sharel Cameron, Jodie Witt

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Stephanie Morrison called the meeting to order.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Stephanie Morrison asked all present to introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

John Foley made a motion to approve the July 26, 2023, Agenda, Pat Young seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved on a majority vote by the Board Members. 12-0

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Pat Young made a motion to approve the June 28, 2023, Meeting Minutes as amended, and John Foley seconded the motion; motion approved on a majority vote of the Board Members. 12-0

PUBLIC COMMENT – 3 Minutes

The following members of the public addressed the Fair Board: Cindy Buckardt inquired about the 140 year anniversary date and asked the Fair Board to make sure to visit the 4H exhibits. Sharel Cameron spoke about increasing publicity for 4H youth events.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

COMMISSIONER REPORT

Commissioner Stephens shared that she had attended a conference on transportation and infrastructure. She shared that County was working on a new strategic plan and a survey would be coming out soon. Due to health concerns created by the presence of West Nile there would be increased spraying for mosquitos.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Stephanie Morrison thanked the Fair Board members for all their hard work and let them know about plans for strategic planning meetings and a flyer that she helped prepare with information about joining the Fair Board.

FAIR BOARD PARTNERS / LIAISON REPORTS

- a. **Queen/Royalty** – Sabrina Borg introduced the new Lady in Waiting Corra Fetzer and reported on June and July activities before leaving for the 4H Fashion Revue.
- b. **Extension /4-H** – Bailey Schilling reported on preparations for record book checks, vet checks, and CSU carcass ultrasounds . .
- c. **The Ranch** – Louise Romero shared the posters for Fair, the free grocery bags, the anniversary pin, the tri-folds and passed around the Sensory Book for sensory day. She explained how the sensory day would work. She pointed out different areas on the Fair map included in the trifold. The information booth would have this information as well.
- d. **The Ranch** - Conor McGrath attended remotely and thanked everyone for their help and asked all to remember to be kind and to document ideas and issues.
- e. **The Ranch** - Mark Tinklenburg announced that Clydesdale Pkwy from Crossroads to the Ranch complex would be open Friday, there would be tours of the 4H Youth and Community building on the Saturday, Sunday, and Tuesday of Fair. He advised FB about areas within the campus that would be closed off to the public due to construction. There would be 30 carnival rides.
- f. **Fair Coordinator** –Laura Bolt shared information on open class exhibitors and 4H classes.

FAIR BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **Ranch Hands** –Kristine reported that they were still recruiting volunteers and they were still short shuttle drivers, all FB members were asked to attend the golf cart training. The Ranch Hands t-shirts were being sponsored by the WY Air Guard.
- b. **Queens/Royalty** – Stephanie Fancher English shared that the Queen Contest was well attended, sponsor visits were wrapping up, Greeley Hat Works old truck would be in the parade and Evergreen Royalty would be attending the parade. Fair Board members were asked to drop off their whiskey or tequila, and Sazerac was donating 2 bottles of Pappy Van Winkle for the BBQ. Thank you to Deb Sherman for helping with that fundraiser.
- c. **Pancake Breakfast** – John reminded all that the Pancake Breakfast will be held from 7:00 am to 9:00 am. Nordy's was donating the sausage, the Lions Club ready to cook, and Hannah Schnorr would be signing again for entertainment.
- d. **Parade** – Darryl English reported on duties for FB members during the Parade, please be on time and in positions Saturday morning. FB members to wear their FB shirts.
- e. **Junior Livestock Sale** –John Foley reported on sponsors for the sale and then provided an overview of how the sale would be run . The mandatory meetings for 4H participants that want to sell an animal in the sale went very well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS



For those people waiting, Fair Board shirts had just arrived.

NEW BUSINESS / OTHER BUSINESS

Conor reported on policy that 4H individuals are not allowed to show an animal in Larimer County Fair and then at another County Fair.

ITEMS FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There were no items for the Executive Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

John Foley moved to adjourn the meeting, second from Logan Lenz. The motion was approved on a majority vote of the Board Members. 12-0
Meeting was adjourned.

Chair: Stephanie Morrison _____

Secretary: Stephanie Fancher English_____