

3/7/2023 Larimer Rodeo Board meeting minutes: prepared by Brandy Edmonds

Location:

The meeting was called to order by Steve Human at 3:32pm

Board Members in attendance: Steve Human, Rick Harris, Rayne Rule and Brandy Edmonds

County & BEC Staff in Attendance: Gene Olson, Christian Southwick, Conor McGrath, Lilly McLendon, Jodi Shadduck and Stephanie Fancher-English.

Rayne moved to approve the February meeting minutes, Rick seconded and motion passed.

There was no public comment.

Correspondence: none

Board Member Report: none

Steve updated us on the meetings of the Anniversary celebration committee. They are getting the giveaways put together. The commissioners advised they have a \$30,000 budget between the fair and rodeo for this celebration. The logo they have so far is good. Rick advised maybe we need to put more signs up through out town for advertising. There is one that goes over the street that we might be able to do.

Committee Report: Gene advised all is good on his end.

Partner Reports: The Ranch: Conor advised the Master Plan is going good. April they will start paving, the exterior of buildings are going up and the Mac is coming along also. He asked that we on the board all sign up for the Volgistics and we will be receiving emails in the next few weeks on the steps to take. This program helps The Ranch keep track of the volunteer hours and it can be used for many things including showing the commissioners what time is put in. They are also going to create a Volunteer Award for groups and individuals. Steve will provide the information needed to Conor and his staff.

Jodi wanted to clarify that liability waivers are signed by all the people involved in the rodeo and Steve advised that volunteers along with contestants sign a waiver. We will keep the volunteer paperwork separate so we have easy access if needed. Jodi asked if there is a way to make sure people are understanding the new change in the facility entrances. The new board member position has not closed but she will ask to accelerate that process.

Lily advised the fair logo has been finalized and they are just getting started on marketing. The sponsors have been reached out to. She spoke to Trent regarding the Military Appreciation night, he advised he will provide a hat for all of the recipients. We advised Lily there will be 4 WWII veterans we want to honor. Rayne will reach out to all of them before Lily does to make sure they are wanting to be part of the event.

Stephanie advised the queen will be at the CSU College rodeo and hopefully will be able to advertise the PRCA Rodeo.

Old Business: We discussed the fact we would like to have the Veteran's in the wagon and do their presentation at the very beginning of the rodeo after the board has been introduced. We will then keep them in the arena and have the American Flag presented and do the National Anthem.

Our monthly schedule review: Steve will make sure there is no pyro needed with the clown. Autumn with OVG will be at our next meeting and will be starting the programs. Rick advised the shirts are here and are ready to be embroidered. Stephanie as not heard if Miss Rodeo Colorado will be attending and Steve advised we need at least 3 Queens to carry event flags. The bobble heads are ordered.

New Business: Christian reached out to the ground person and he advised what needs to be done. Christian is waiting for a quote to review.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm.