

June 1, 2023 Fairboard Minutes

Special Meeting: 5PM

Attendees: Tate Scanga, Ben Scanga, Rachael Walke, Annie Cordova, Abby Hutchinson, Merielle Stramm, Susan Carter, Kurt Jones

Discussion about how to increase communication between Fairboard members extension agents and 4H families and Members.

Discussion regarding the cancellation of small animal weigh -in May.

Discussion regarding the Avian flu issues and showing breeding poultry and fancy poultry at the 2023 county fair..

Review of the Fair Schedule and Operations by Kurt Jones to help clarify previous duties of extension agents and Fairboard.

6:30PM Meeting

Call to order @ 6:40PM

Attendees: Trent Howard, Kail Glenn, Elsie Hopkins, Jesse Pridemore, Merielle Stramm, Dakota Talbot, Annie Cordova, Susan Carter, Randy Mosby, Lily Coleman, Greg Felt, Dana Hatfield, Abby Hutchinson, Ben Scanga, Rachael Walke, Tate Scanga

Special Guests: Michell Anderson - HUB Club Leader
Molly McMurry- 4H Member HUB Club

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 2023 - Annie made motion to approve, Dakota Second the motion. Motion carried

TREASURER REPORT:

Chaffee County (ear tags) \$388.44

Dana Hatfeild (scale reimbursement) \$207.27

Merielle Stramm (ear tag reimbursement) \$56.40

** Balance of \$35,317.91

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Michell Anderson speaks concerns of upset parents and members about the cancellation of small animal weigh in. Asking to reconsider the decision to cancel the weight in for future years or come up with some options to assist in the process of tagging.

Molly McMurry speaks about Breeding Poultry and Fancy Birds not being allowed in person at the 2023 county fair due to the dangers of Avian Flu. She expressed her desire to potentially reconsider allowing them to come to the fair. The idea was brought up of a potential waiver that each flock owner could sign.

Fairboard Members will discuss the requests during this meeting tonight.

EXTENSION REPORT:

See attached from Merielle and Susan

Rachael asked that Extension office to notify the 4H members that Fairboard is requesting each livestock member create a unique personal invitations for their potential buyers to the Junior Market Livestock Sale and Reception. Suggestions of personal invites with pictures or stories of their animals on the invite. Previously the Fairboard has printed a generic invitation. Fairboard will not be printing the invitations for the 2023 Sale.

Rachael noted the 4H rule book needs to be printed by a different company and suggested an online version as well.

Annie asked about meetings between a Fairboard Member, Extension and 4H Leaders. Moving forward Annie will be the appointed leas-ion for the Fairboard at these meetings. Discussion of having quarterly meetings.

MANAGER REPORT:

Scales are OPEN for all 4H families to use.

West fence is almost complete.

Rebuilding the wood picnic tables, cleaning troughs, moving horse stalls for extra parking.

Tristan Jones is hired as additional help for maintenance. Tristan will be available at Fair.

Randy asked about blank chute sign. Rachael said FB will rearrange signs.

Miki ordered Roll off Dumpsters, Portal-lets and hand washing stations for Fair.

Miki is working with the Monarch Parking Crew for help during rodeo. (Unsure of price)

COMMISSIONERS REPORT:

Greg Felt updated on commissioner work session. Gary is working with the architect on design for the north building to get a final cost structure. This is the next step to move this project forward for commissioner review.

Commissioners indicated they would like to see the North Building complete as opposed to going in phases. 2025 Fair seems to be the earliest this could be done if things stay on track

Felt indicated he is optimistic that there is county money available and other resources for the project as the BV Safety Complex is almost complete and the additional court house building has been stalled.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion of McMurry request to reconsider allowing bringing Breeding and Fancy Poultry to the 2023 Fair.

Fairboard confirmed the decision to follow State Fair guidelines on the Avian Flu. Only terminal Meat Poultry will be allowed in person at the 2023 Chaffee County Fair. No Fancy Poultry or Breeding Poultry.

Fairboard and extension agents will make a plan for the meat bird to be processed and not to return home. Extensions agents will convey this plan to the 4H members in the project.

Judges will judge the Breeding and Fancy fowl via ZOOM. They will also judge and place on showmanship for qualification in the round robin. Members will use a meat bird that is already at the fair for the Round Robin.

Fairboard will make sure the small animal barn has signage related to the potential dangers of avian flu and hand washing.

Dana suggested a video of projects to Play in the small animal barn for the Breeding and Fancy Poultry. Merielle will reach out to Molly McMurry and see if she is interested in helping make the video.

Dana Hatfield will work with the Shively's, other small animal families and Randy to set up / clean small animal barn. Dana will be the contact for small animal barn.

Merielle will also contact clubs leaders to see interest in participating in the video.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dana needs to list of items needed from Wal-Mart donations.

Dakota noted there will be a Royalty Competition in July. Need two Fairboard judges. Annie Cordova and Rachael Walke will be the designated FB judges.

Dakota and Kail are working on getting FB shirts for fair. Long Sleeve western will be black.

Elise asked to confirm \$150 per indoor judge.

Elise will make 3 copies of the Fairboard Closet key.

Elise will have lunch for indoor open class on Saturday 21st and Monday 23rd.

Kail will bring shooting trailer for Fair. (22's) guns provided. No outside guns.

Abby Noted the Youth Football team looking for fundraising. Potentially stalls responsibility or clean up of grandstands after Rodeos/ Dance.
Salida Circus will be at fair Saturday the 29th. 1PM for a workshop open to new participants and public. 5PM for an 1 hour show. Inside preferred. Abby will ask Pat about conflicts with North Building and tack sale.

Rachael get a pallet of Saw Dust from Murdochs. (Hopefully donated)

Horse Stall rental and booking is not yet resolved.

Rachael Walke announced her resignation on Fairboard and Treasurer after the 2023 CCF. :((

NEXT meeting JULY 13th- location TBD. Abby will check with Miki on meeting room availability.

Motion to adjourn by Elsie, 2nd by Abby. Motion Carried.

Adjourn @ 8:30PM

Submitted by Abby Hutchinson