

10/03/2024

Present: Annie, Dakota, Elsie, Kail, Rebecca S., Chelsea, Randy, Dustin, Pat, Don Reimer, Marcus, Abby, Trent Howard

Pat made a motion to approve the July and September meeting minutes, Dakota to second.

Treasurer Report:

The account balance is at 35000. There is still our half of the buyers reception to pay for.

Randy Report:

They have been very busy with not much to report. He would still like suggestions and updates from the committees for the wash station and practice arena. They are getting projects done before it snows.

Lots of compliments on the appeal of the connex boxes from the neighboring community. Dustin will continue to work on the sign for scalehouse.

Extension Report:



October 2024 Extension Report

Fair Board Meeting 3 October 2024

4-H Update

Rebecca Sheriff

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- Deadlines
 - 1 Oct – 4-H year began
 - Enrollment is open. 4-H'ers do not need to create new accounts in 4HOnline, but they DO need to log in, join a club, and select projects. You are not considered enrolled until payment is made to the office. *How many clubs? 6 active*
 - New families may begin enrolling
 - Recruitment visits in the works for fall and winter
 - 7-12 Oct – National 4-H week, theme for the year is "Beyond Ready" *cloverbuds*
 - 7 Oct – Extension office closed, Cabrini (Columbus) Day
 - 15 Oct – Quarterly Leaders Meeting, 6 pm, Board Room in Exhibit Hall
 - 15 Oct – Cloverbuds, 5-6 pm *Scanga trophies for carcass contest*
 - 20 Oct – Achievement Banquet, 2 pm
 - 29 Oct – Cloverbuds, 5-6 pm
- State Fair
 - Chaffee County had 27 projects advance to the Colorado State Fair
 - 3 projects won in their category/age group
 - 19 projects placed in the top 10 of their category/age group
- Achievement Banquet
 - October 20 at 2 pm, potluck event
 - HRRMC partially sponsoring the event (\$1000)
 - Fair board & commissioners all invited!
- Communication Plan
 - Monthly newsletters sent out prior to the start of each month
 - Sent out via 4HOnline database, links posted on Facebook
 - Perpetual Google Drive link:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1pc8wdxDP23eEe4-vV6kMFCysBsz5PI4k?usp=sharing>
 - New 4-H family monthly meetings beginning in January
 - Quarterly leaders/volunteer meetings – next one is 15 October
- Gratitude BBQ
 - County Council & the 4-H clubs would like to put on a 4-H Gratitude BBQ in winter 2024 to say "thank you!" to Fair Board & commissioners for supporting 4-H *Tammy*
 - Meal would be provided for board members/commissioners & their families
At the fairgrounds

- Thinking of mid/late January. Potentially after weigh-in? Thoughts?
- RSVP would be required to get accurate meal count
- Action Items for 2025
 - County Council working on more wooden stall signs for livestock pavilion
 - Consider the timing of the poultry show for 2025 (deconflict with weigh-in?)
 - Can start hiring judges as soon as schedule is set for 2025
 - Fair Book Updates (from Sept. meeting)
 - 2% vs 3% commission
 - Add in how indoor projects qualify for state fair
 - Better communicate indoor project kids in attendance at silent auction
 - Barn duty (formalizing, when, who, tasks, etc.) - looking at a few volunteers to lead this process for 2025
 - Information on clean up/check out process
 - Flow of information between 4-H'ers & buyers for post-sale processing

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Extension Update Monica Pless monica.pless@colostate.edu 719-221-3789

- 5-7 new applicants for the Colorado Master Gardener program
- Monica had her baby, Lucy Margaret Grant, on August 21. All are doing well!
- Updated 2025 4-H related expenses at Fair budget to include the ultrasound/carcass contest data, sent to Ben and Dakota for Fair Committee County budgeting
- Monica will be on maternity leave through the end of October

- Physics Lab potentially at fair
- improve indoor project night at fair
- Live Stock judging
- County Council member Spotlight Committee for council
- 4-H member Spotlight through the year
- County Council → need a min of 6.
- ↳ Scholarship Fund

Old Business:

The Achievement Banquet will be on October 20th at the fairgrounds.

The quarterly leaders meeting will be on October 15th at 6pm.

Chelsea is still talking with Fly Wheelers as far as moving the track.

General consensus of moving to one week and weekend. Charging for Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

Pat motion for 3 members to attend CFAS, Dustin to second, with a budget of \$2000.

2024
**CAFS
CONVENTION**

"Growing the Love for Agriculture"

Join Us Nov. 8-9, 2024
The Ranch Event Complex



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- Implementing a Farm to Table Event
- Improving Arena Ground Conditions
- Sponsorship
- Connecting with State 4H
- Increasing Agriculture Education at your Event
- Growing and Retaining Volunteers
- Entertainment Showcases - Find New Entertainment for your Fair

October 15th draft budget, meeting with Don, Greg, Dan and a few Fairboard members, possibly bring in fair foundation to that meeting

Trying to figure out how to run the Fairboard, fair foundation, extension, 4-H and looking at avenues of making it cohesive.

Budget Committee: Dakota, Ben, Annie, Abby, Dustin, meeting will be 11/13 at 5:30p

Do we need to turn Fairboard into a 501c3 and create as a county partner?

It would be good for our organization to be on the February BOCC meeting docket to encourage commissioners to be present for the fairboard.

Dakota is requesting \$3000 for the royalty to attend the CFAS, Dustin to motion, Elsie to second. The board requests a royalty program coordinator role description to cover what Sasha's role is.

Royalty season is January-December of the presenting year.



Chaffee County Fair Board

Royalty Update:

Our Royalty was invited to help with the CPRA Finals in Montrose last weekend. Kylee and Payton were able to run flags for their grand entry on Saturday. All of the girls then helped sell t-shirts and take donations from the crowd for Breast Cancer awareness. They helped raise \$13,000! We were the biggest royalty group there, and they were so thankful for our help.

The girls are looking forward to the CAFS Convention in November. We will be having our end of the year horsey play day and celebration in the next couple of weeks.

We have Tea with the Queen scheduled in December, where we will invite the public and other royalties as a fundraiser and networking session.



New Business:

January weight in 1/26 1-4pm, Beef weight-in

April weight in 4/27 1-4pm small animal weight-in, Abby to motion, Dustin to second

Event Committee: Abby and Pat, Carnival, bands, food vendors, Chelsea

Budget Committee: Dakota, Abby motion to make Dakota chair, Dustin to second

County Council Committee: recognizing county council at fair

4-H Kids Non voting Committee: Rebecca S

Wash Station Committee: Dana, Kail

Practice Arena Committee:

Rodeo/Ranch Committee:

Advertising Committee:

Livestock Committee:

Dakota will create blank sheets for each committee and a committee chair can be created, they can help build a team of people to help, and then they report back to the fairboard meeting each month.

Randy questioned signs on the grandstands and what to do with that.

Ben and Trent would like to discuss behavior of steers at the fair and the sale.

Meeting Adjourned 8:23pm, Next meeting 11/7 at 6pm at the fairgrounds.