

Chaffee County Fair Board Meeting

February 5, 2026 6pm

Present: Trent, Dakota, Dustin, Taylor, Kail, Cathi, Randy, Rebecca, Monica, Marcus, Donna, Pat, Chelsea, Annie, Sasha

Guests:

Bernie out of town, Abby won't make it

Meeting called to order at 6:08pm

January Minutes: approval motion by Donna, Taylor to second.

Treasurer report: \$29,785.88, January expenses include reimbursing Annie for conference costs, embroidery for shirts to Cheryl McMurray, Salida Chamber Membership, Quickbookssoftware.

Royalty Report: Royalty info meeting on Feb 18th at 6pm, competition on April 25th at 10:00am.

Managers report: working main arena, screening rock. Will meet with Dustin and Kail for wash station

Extension Report: see attached

Add heritage chicken & turkey to poultry- Taylor makes motion, Pat to second.

Guests: Argy's- would like to consider adding a National Senior Pro-Rodeo. Tuesday Aug 4&5. Have all of their own stock contractors & such. Ages 40 & over. \$8,000 for rodeo. Triple 7 Rodeo Company. \$1700 added money, would like beer tent open, food trucks & vendors. Will set up meeting with any members, the Argus, Miki and Randy.

Old Business:

Jesse Pridemore sent a resignation letter. We need to vote on a vice chair and then advertise for one open seat on the fair board.

Kail makes a motion for Dakota to stay as treasurer to continue her work with fair guide, Dustin to second.

Potential new roles for the vice chair:

Assume the role of chairmen when absent and running meetings,
and head the role of sponsorship committee, vendors, entertainment etc.
Dustin to make the motion, Chelsea to second.

Trent nominates Dustin for Vice Chair— only nomination. All were favor.
All approved Dakota to stay as treasurer, Annie to stay as secretary.

Trent will be the main head of the livestock committee, Dustin will step in as Round Robin Superintendent.

Discussing Committees in General:

Define what the committee is and who is the head or point of contact for that committee.

Trent will stay as beef superintendent and overall superintendent and see how this year goes.

Need to send out original rawhide rodeo contract to everyone to evaluate

Rawhide rodeo has asked to increase price by \$2000 for a 2 day rodeo.

Thought of increasing added money for 1000 per event, we can revisit this in March.

There are signs in the grandstands that have businesses that are no longer in business. In March we would like to reevaluate those signs and potentially reconnect that and also auction off more spots.

Chelsea mentioned there are lots of areas around the north building that could be used for sponsorship advertising during the fair only.

Sasha Dodge introduced as a new member.

Vendor idea tabled to next month.

Nut Fry Trailer, discuss with the commissioners next meeting

New Business

Fair board by law revision

Motion to change the bylaws to create our own finance account, separate from the county, Pat to motion, Taylor to second.

Send email to the group regarding helping at Kylee's fundraiser on 2/28/26

We need to resend a new contact list so everyone has all the new members information.

Tate Scanga is committed to being the auctioneer for the sale, he is also supplying the clerk. Tate is also committed to doing the ranch rodeo pending insurance concerns. Tate will contact the Foundation and try to figure out the insurance.

Continue to try to set up a meeting with the Foundation to discuss what they want to be involved in.

Royalty Questions regarding can we stay in the Queen, Princess, Jr Princess and a few attendants. Clarifications for applications and if there are any questions, Dakota and Sasha are available.

Back up for who is allowed to be at royalty events when Dakota can't be there.

Meeting adjourned 8:15p

Next meeting 3/5/26 6pm at the fairgrounds