

Floyd County Fair Board Meeting
December 18, 2019

President Amy Staudt called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

Members present were: Troy Jaeger, Jen Schmitt, Mike Quade, Dennis Sonberg, Kurt Thorson, Jeff Harris, Amy Staudt, Kelsey Utez, Bruce Koebrick, Ben Kisch, Matt Ross, Craig Anderson, Ron Hillegas, and Rod Schmitt.

Secretary report was given: Troy Jaeger made a motion to approve, seconded by Matt Ross, motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Report was given by Craig. Bruce Koebrick made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Troy Jaeger.

Committee Reports:

1. FFA Instructor's: Brett shared that they are still working to find a buyer for fair pigs. Cattle weigh in went well with around 70 head being weighed in.
2. Extension/4-H Committee: no report
3. Rentals: Lisa reported that with the show arena and beef barn are full with rentals and that \$6925 was collected.
4. Auction:None
5. Building & Grounds: None
6. Entertainment: no new information
7. Endowment: no new information
8. Fund-Raising: Jen will be sending show arena sponsorship letters in January.
9. Publicity: no new information
10. Refreshments and Vendors: no new information
11. Security: no new information
12. Off Fair Events: no new information
13. YEC: Generator will be installed in January, YEC committee reported that they met and decided to hire an events manager, a job description was written and an ad was placed on Facebook, interviews will be conducted in January. Amy will look into tax implications of having an employee.
14. Crisis Management Team: Team will need to meet in the spring.
15. Superintendents: None
16. Volunteer Coordinator: no new information
17. Parking: no new information

Correspondence:

Old Business:

1. Kerry and Amy attended the Fair Conference on Dec. 13 to seek entertainment options. The carnivals want to be paid to come and that is not in our budget at this time. Mike attended the meeting on the 15th. He made some great connections with other fairs.

2. Discussion was continued in regards to allowing Showdown animals to sell in the auction. Technically when the animal sells in the auction it is no longer owned by the exhibitor. This has raised some concerns. A motion was made by Bruce to change the wording in the rule book to read: "All sales are final. Change of ownership occurs at the time of purchase." This motion was seconded by Troy. Motion passed

New Business:

1. Lezlie from Emergency Management wants to list the YEC as a safe shelter to use if needed, for example if the Avenue of the Saints were closed due to the weather they would use the building as a safe place for travelers. Everyone agreed that this would be ok to do.
2. Discussion on the placement of the new buildings that we will rebuild was held. 2 different options and maps were presented. Jeff Harris made a motion to proceed with option B, which included adding a lean to option on to the beef barn to replace the poultry, rabbit and bucket bottle/dairy barn. This was seconded by Troy. Motion passed.
3. Amy has not received any estimates for the outdoor/patio shelter yet.
4. The food stand was discussed and Elaine is willing to help with fundraising. The food stand location was housed on Option B in a similar location to the previous stand, but will run east/west. Amy will start getting bids on this building so that we can decide if this is an option to complete by the 2020 fair, this will depend on finances and contractor availability.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM Motion made by Craig Anderson to adjourn. Seconded by Ron Hillegas, motion passed.

Next Meeting: January 15, 2020 6:00 PM at the Floyd County Fairgrounds.

Minutes taken by Jen Schmitt