

# BARRON COUNTY FAIR BOARD MEETING

June 9, 2010

Barron County Fairgrounds

Members present: Bob Kolzow, Tom Hellendrung, Paul Millerman, Patty Mann, Ken Kolzow, Catherine Walther, Jacque Schaffer, Tim Heffernan, Emmett Engstrom, Cindy Becker, Tom Scalzo, Caroline Dostal

Others present: Bonnie Richter, Mary Pardee, Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald, Severt Olson

Members Absent: Cory Picknell, Kevin Roske

President Kolzow called meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

**MOTION** by Paul Millerman to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Emmett Engstrom. Motion carried.

**MOTION** by Paul Millerman, seconded by Emmett Engstrom to approve the May 12 meeting minutes as printed. Motion carried.

## **Financial Report:**

Patty Mann presented the treasurer's report. We have received over \$2,500 in the sticker campaign.

**MOTION** by Tom Scalzo seconded by Cindy Becker to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Credit Card**

Jacque explained that paying online never worked this year. She will be sending bills to clubs who have not yet paid their entry fees. She also explained that to pay by check online it is an additional fee per month, a percentage of the total, and a transaction fee in addition to the credit card fees. Heartland did not provide the services that we had requested and Tim will send a notice to terminate their services. Their services do not work with the ShoWorks program.

### **ShoWorks**

Jacque explained that she is currently locked out of ShoWorks due to a limit of 5,000 entries. The cost to increase to 10,000 entries is \$1,000 plus an additional fee \$550 per year instead of \$450 per year.

**MOTION** by Tom Scalzo, seconded by Cindy Becker to authorize Jacque to purchase the upgrade for \$1,000 and research the cost of the upgrade beyond 10,000 entries with a possible purchase if it does not exceed \$2,000. Motion carried.

### **FFA and the Horse Project**

Cindy Becker received a call from a person who wants to participate in the horse project as an FFA member. However, their registration was late so the Board is standing by their decision not to allow them to participate based on the fact that they missed the registration deadline. Tim will call and explain.

### **Fairest of the Fair Fundraiser**

Tim reported the sales are getting better and the times are 9:30 to 6:00 instead of 11:00 to 6:00.

### **Fairest of the Fair Luncheon**

There are seven applications for Fairest of the Fair. Lunch will be at Lehman's on Friday, June 11 at 12:30.

### **Superintendent Meeting**

Superintendent meeting will be on June 23. Carolyn will bring potato sales, Cindy will bring baked beans, Patti will bring deserts or chips, Paul will bring cavetils, Tom Hellendrung will supply hamburger, Jacque will bring jello salad, Emmett will bring bars, and Catherine will bring vegetables. Tim will supply plates, napkins, etc., and cake.

### **Fair Books**

Tim reported that not many fair books are being sold.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Kevin ordered the trophy for the friend of the fair. The fence is up and looks good. They had to build a berm to avoid runoff to the stone house. Larry Tittle is in jail and cannot ever be on the fairgrounds. There is a possibility that construction work will be taking place on Highway 48 during the fair. There is still no contract with the Soils building. The logs have been taken care of. Tim suggested that Catherine Walther be compensated for her work for the fair.

**MOTION** made by Emmett Engstrom, seconded by Paul Millerman to pay Catherine when she is working at the fairgrounds. Motion carried.

**MOTION** made by Caroline Dostal, seconded by Emmett Engstrom to pay Catherine \$7.25 per hour. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Photography Superintendent**

We still need a photography superintendent.

#### **Wage Increase Request**

There was a discussion on increasing wages for Blake Kolzow and Jordon Jensen to \$8.00

**MOTION** made by Cindy Becker, seconded by Paul Millerman to increase wages for Blake Kolzow and Jordon Jensen to \$8.00. Motion carried.

#### **Tractor Pull Superintendent**

Bob Kolzow reported that he needs a replacement for him as tractor pull superintendent. The Board said he doesn't need approval to find a replacement.

### **DISCUSSION**

There is a concern of the rotation of beef and dairy in the barns. The superintendents need to talk about it and go from there.

### **APPEARANCES**

Chris Fitzgerald stated that there is a possibility of Huber Law people being available to work at the fair. They would trade time worked at the fair for time served in jail.

Severt Olson would like to organize an opening flag ceremony on Wednesday morning at 9:00 and also recognize Jacob Malsom for his flag project.

**MOTION** made by Tom Scalzo, seconded by Tom Hellendrung to accept the information Severt presented to the Board for kicking off the fair with a flag ceremony. Motion carried.

The Legion is willing to provide handicapped service. They have an eight seated golf cart and will need a lawn mower tractor to pull it. Tom will provide the tractor.

**MOTION** by Cindy Becker, seconded by Tom Scalzo to adjourn.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Next meeting will be July 7 at the Fairgrounds.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacque Schaffer  
Barron County Fair Executive Secretary