

Weld County Fair Board Meeting

October 5, 2020

Meeting called to order by President Eli Hatch at 6:05 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Bledsoe, Isaia Aricayos, Christie Gabel, Mike Frink, Aaron Helus, Ken Vaughn and Eli Hatch

EX-OFFICIO/STAFF PRESENT: Keith Maxey, Robby Adams, Larry Hooker and Jenette Masarie

SPECIAL GUESTS: Cody LeBlanc, Jane Miller, Bridget Holcomb, Fair Royalty and Cindy Porter

Agenda: Additions/Changes: 1) Move election of officers to the last item in New Business

MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda by Tom Bledsoe, second by Aaron Helus; motion passed.

SPECIAL GUESTS/REQUESTS:

- 1) Travis DePorter – family moving back from Pennsylvania – show steer, heifers, and hogs; National club; tag here then move family later, coming back monthly and scheduling with 4H meetings – need to be in good standing with 4H in order to show; animal housing (location and dates) will be a part of record books and upfront with Fair
- 2) Cindy Porter – trying to find way through pigs (Herefords); wondering if Herefords can have a class of its own; third Monday 6:30 Livestock committee meets and would invite Cindy to participate in the discussion; Herefords were not sub divided class under dark OPB division; Herefords are nontraditional breed; rule currently says at least 5 exhibitors to make a class and there were 9 this year but no class;
- 3) Teagan Joseph – idea to have an event to where 4H exhibitors mentor kids with disabilities to show and prepare livestock for a round robin event; the idea appears to have some merit and the board recommends they meet with Fair Coordinator to review liability exposures

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Royalty Introduction – royalty is staying the same for the new year; they are working on obtaining sponsors for '20-'21 and looking for ways to recognize sponsors due to limitations this year; they added patches on jackets (annual jackets for royalty) to advertise for sponsors
- 2) Committee by-laws – the general thought is that if the committee is small, then their role will include all needed responsibilities of executive committee; it is also recommended to have a committee report template; MOTION by Christie Gabel to table Committee By-Laws also called Standard Operating Procedures to the November meeting, second by Aaron Helus; motion passed.
- 3) Committee assignments – MOTION by Christie Gabel to table Committee Assignments to November meeting, second by Ken Vaughn; motion passed.
- 4) Committee reports
 - a. Livestock Committee – tents discussion will be referred to sponsorship committee; liked smaller class sizes; Judges – process for selection discussion, sent email for

recommendation for judges and received 96 responses to date; specific recommendations will be forthcoming as plans are being made; Duck and Single Fryers are being discussed to go to market and will be sent to Sale committee after Livestock committee reviews

- b. Royalty – CAFS will be held this year and the committee is requesting budget to attend for girls and coordinators; table display and poster board representing Weld County will be at CAFS as well; MOTION by Tom Bledsoe to cover cost and registration (5 registrations and up to 3 rooms), second by Isaia Aricayos; motion passed. This would be out of Fair Conventions budget. Request to committee to work with Treasurer to streamline Royalty budget for future planning and handling.
 - c. Sponsorship/Awards, Grounds/Entertainment, Security, All-Around – hasn't met
 - d. Premier Exhibitor – jackets came in and will be given tomorrow evening at Recognition event; over 300 RSVP's
- 5) Election of new officers – 2020 to 2021
- a. President – nominate Eli Hatch – MOTION by Aaron Helus to elect Eli hatch as President, second by Christie Gabel; motion passed
 - b. Vice President – nominate Mike Frink – MOTION by Christie Gabel to elect Mike Frink as the Vice President, second by Aaron Helus; motion passed
 - c. Secretary – nominate Isaia Aricayos – MOTION by Aaron Helus to elect Isaia Aricayos as Secretary, second by Mike Frink; motion passed
 - d. Treasurer – nominate Christie Gabel – MOTION by Aaron Helus to elect Christie Gabel as Treasurer, second by Mike Frink; motion passed

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1) Next meeting November 2
- 2) Farm Show has been cancelled for this year
- 3) TX national show (junior hog); OK national show (junior steer); NE national show (junior steer) – no Denver National Western Stock Show

MOTION by Christie Gabel to adjourn 7:42 PM, seconded by Tom Bledsoe; motion passed

Respectfully Submitted,

Isaia K Aricayos
Weld County Fair Board Secretary