

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLUMAS-SIERRA COUNTY FAIR BOARD

March 27, 2013

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Abbott calls the meeting of the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Board of Directors to order at 5:03 p.m. in the Mineral Building at the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Grounds. Directors Abbott, Butterfield, Chance, Neer, Olson, and Viscarra are present. Directors Joyce and Johnson are absent and excused. Director West is absent and unexcused. Fair Manager John Steffanic is present. Administrative Assistant Willo Vieira is present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Director Neer made a motion to approve the agenda for March 27, 2013. Motion seconded by Director Chance, motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

February 27, 2013

Motion is made by Director Neer to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2013 meeting. Motion seconded by Director Olson. Motion carried unanimously.

EXCUSAL OF DIRECTOR ABSENCES

Directors Joyce and Johnson called and were excused. Director West was absent and unexcused.

INTRODUCTION OF THE PUBLIC

Laura Beaton of Feather River Publishing and Bruce Robbins, Clampers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

MANAGER'S REPORT

Fair Update-

Manager Steffanic reported that all contracts for entertainment and food vendors have been sent out. Commercial vendor applications are coming in but there are still spaces available in Serpilio Hall. Thursday Night Date Night will include tickets for two for admission to the fair, dinner, and souvenir photo. Wine tasting for an evening is being worked on. Director Olson inquired if there would be adult beverages at the tent by the front gate. Manager Steffanic said that he would look into it with the Elks.

Under the heading of operations, Manager Steffanic updated the Fair Board on the presale ticket plan for this year. Ticket books may be traded in for bracelets on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday only. These wristbands will be good for all day. Kid's Day will be on Thursday and the Senior Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday pending sponsorship. Mr. Bruce Robbins, Clampers, inquired about the hiring of people to take over their duties. Manager Steffanic assured him that the Clampers did a fine job but that we were hiring to save money.

The jobs will be flown through the County Human Resources Department. Director Viscarra expressed concern that the people be hired early enough to be properly trained for the job.

Rugby Festival-

A group of rugby players from the Bay Area made an inquiry to Manager Steffanic regarding the Fairground facility. They are looking into the feasibility of holding a rugby tournament with musical entertainment included. .

Fairgrounds Work Day-

Two hundred ten people have committed to volunteer for the Fairgrounds Work Day. People can arrive anytime between 8 am and 12 noon. Upon arrival, people will be greeted at the gate and then directed to a command center for tools and further directions. Manager Steffanic then went over the large variety of tasks that will hopefully, be completed during the work day. Caron Chance and Director Olson will be working on lunch for the crew. Thank you banners will be made for businesses that are donating labor and supplies. These will be displayed during Fair sponsored events.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee-

Chair, Director Butterfield, was thrilled with the report this year compared to last year. Expenditures are way down even with four months left in the fiscal year. Manager Steffanic does not foresee any surprises in the next few months. Director Butterfield also reported that revenues look good.

Livestock Committee-

Director Butterfield passed out livestock sponsorship packets so the Directors could participate in the solicitation of the awards. The sponsorship information will be added to the Fair website and has been sent to Feather Publishing, Mountain Messenger, and the Booster.

Building and Grounds Committee-

Director Chance reported that the committee had met before today's meeting to tour the projects that maintenance had been working on to repair winter damage. The spring project is the running of electricity to both of the announcer's booths in the lower campground.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Director Olson –

Director Olson reported that the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Foundation has elected officers. They are also working on seed which will include annual memberships and a one time only opportunity to be listed as founding member for a substantial sum of money. The tax ID number for a nonprofit organization papers have been filed.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. County Picnic

The County Picnic will be held on June 1. The staff is working on ideas to enliven the event. A founding Foundation Members Tea and a flea market are some of the ideas that are being worked on.

B. Electronic Recycle

Last year the event was able to fill six semi trailers full of recyclable materials. We will be paying more attention to the weight of the items brought in as we will be paid by the pound. The event will be from 9am – 3 pm Friday, May 3, and Saturday, May 4.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn is made by Director Butterfield and seconded by Director Chance. Motion is carried unanimously. The Regular meeting of the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Board will be held on April 24, 2013 at 5:00 pm in the Mineral Building at the Plumas-Sierra County Fairgrounds. Meeting adjourned at 6:19 pm.

I, WILLO VIEIRA, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THESE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 27, 2013 MEETING OF THE PLUMAS-SIERRA COUNTY FAIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE ACCURATE AS RECORDED.

Willo Vieira
Administrative Assistant

John Steffanic
Fair Manager

Dr. Robert Abbott, Chairperson
Plumas-Sierra County Fair Board