

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLUMAS-SIERRA COUNTY FAIR BOARD

October 24, 2012

ROLL CALL

Vice-Chairperson Chance calls the meeting of the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Board of Directors to order at 5:01 p.m. in the Mineral Building at the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Grounds. Directors Butterfield, Chance, Joyce, Neer, Olson, and Viscarra are present. Directors Abbott and Johnson were absent and excused. Fair Manager John Steffanic is present. Administrative Assistant Willo Vieira is present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Director Neer makes a motion to approve the agenda for October 24, 2012. Motion seconded by Director Viscarra, motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

September 26, 2012

Motion is made by Director Neer to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2012 meeting. Motion seconded by Director Olson. Motion carried unanimously.

EXCUSAL OF DIRECTOR ABSENCES

Directors Abbott and Johnson called and were excused.

INTRODUCTION OF THE PUBLIC

Laura Beaton of Feather River Publishing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None given

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter of thanks from Echo 4-H was read.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Rental Rates -

Manager Steffanic presented to the Board copies of the approved rental rates in a brochure format. This was the schedule of rental rates that were envisioned by Bill Powers. The Board discussed the possible raising of the camping fees. Staff was directed to place the discussion of camping rates on the next Fair Board Agenda. Manager Steffanic explained that everything in the Tulsa Kitchen was in need of servicing before it could see heavy rental use.

Americana Festival -

Manager Steffanic presented a power point overview of the proposed Americana Festival. Staff developed this event in response to the Board of Supervisor request that the Fair create additional revenue streams. The event would include a Cowboy Show, Square Dancing, Quilt Show, Livestock Show, Farmers Market, camping and vendors. The event would open on a Friday with a barbeque and western dance. Saturday would feature the grandstand show. Sunday would be a load out day with a cowboy church service and a Fair sponsored pancake breakfast. Manager Steffanic also presented an anticipated revenue/expense sheet.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee-

Chair, Director Butterfield gave the financial report. She reported that she had not had a chance to thoroughly review the Fair's budget now that the County's budget was in place. Nothing in the financial reports looked out of the ordinary.

Livestock Awards Committee-

The committee reported that they were working on gathering information. They reported that they were looking into a possible new item to replace the blankets for champions.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Director Olson-

Director Olson reported on the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Foundation meeting. The foundation is still moving forward with the paperwork to file as a 501-c nonprofit. They are also looking for people from outside of the Quincy area to join the Foundation.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Fair Themes

This item was tabled after a brief discussion. Staff was directed to advertise for a theme from the general public.

B. Junior Exhibitor Entry Fees

It was recommended by the Exhibit Guide Committee to reinstate the entry fees for the Junior Still Exhibits. Director Olson made a motion to reinstate the entry fees for Junior Still Exhibits. Motion seconded by Director Butterfield, motion carried unanimously.

C. Stall fees for Fair Time

This item was tabled. Staff was directed to come up with a methodology for stall fees and the cleaning of the stalls.

D. Late Entries

After discussion, the consensus was to leave the current late entries policy in place. It was also recommended to go to a staggered entry deadline system with livestock entries closing first, followed by 4-H Stills, Open Stills, and Floriculture/Ag-Hort. This would allow for a closer inspection of entries upon arrival at the Fair and ease the flood of data entry.

E. Lamb Weight Limit

The Exhibit Guide Committee and the Junior Livestock Sale Committee recommended that the Fair Board approve lowering the minimum weight limit for market lambs to 90

pounds. This change would better reflect current market standards for lamb. Director Viscarra made a motion to lower the minimum weight limit for lamb to 90 pounds. Director Neer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Holiday Meeting Schedule

Director Neer made a motion that the Fair Board meet at its regularly scheduled meeting time for November and to not meet in December. Motion seconded by Director Butterfield and was carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrative Assistant Vieira reminded everyone that the November 28, 2012 would be starting at 4 pm due to the time change.

Director Butterfield announced that the Plumas-Sierra Junior Livestock Sale Committee meetings were moving to the same night as the Fair Board meetings and would be meeting at 7pm.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn is made by Director Olson and seconded by Director Butterfield. Motion is carried unanimously. The Regular meeting of the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Board will be held on November 28, 2012 at 4:00 pm in the Mineral Building at the Plumas-Sierra County Fairgrounds. Meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.

I, WILLO VIEIRA, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THESE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 24, 2012 MEETING OF THE PLUMAS-SIERRA COUNTY FAIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE ACCURATE AS RECORDED.

Willo Vieira
Administrative Assistant

John Steffanic
Fair Manager

Kenny Chance, Vice Chairperson
Plumas-Sierra County Fair Board