

MORROW COUNTY FAIR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday June 12th, 2019 @ 6:30pm

SAGE Center 101 Olson Rd. Boardman, OR 97818

In Attendance:

Chair: Pat Tolar

Board Members: Rex Nielson (phone), Buck Elliott, Casey Zellars, Ray DeLoe

Secretary: Ann Jones

4-H: Anna Browne

Others:

CALL TO ORDER: by Pat Tolar @ 6:35 pm

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion made by Casey to approve minutes 2nd by Buck, minutes approved

4-H: Small animals are up in numbers this year, possibly having turkeys coming as well. We will need to check on the number of cages and tables that we have. Open Class numbers for small animals should be up also as there are a number of cloverbuds that plan on bringing them.

Since we moved the showing to the grass area do we need to put anything down on it? if so what and who is going to be responsible for the clean up of it? Ann will talk to Matt and see what he thinks, Rex feels that as long as the grass is mowed it shouldn't be a concern with the sheep/goats trying to eat.

Plan on getting paddles for the auction this year, this was a request that was made last year after.

Anna asked us about the buyer's luncheon and who was going to be in charge of doing that this year, the fair board will have that catered this year, Ann did mention that normally there are couple kids at the "front table" checking off the buyers if there are a couple kids that can do that it would be great if not fair will find someone to do it.

Weigh In's done! Thank you, Rex for your help and scales, HUGE! Numbers weighed in:

Hogs: 79 (63 4-H | 16 FFA)

Sheep: 53 (48 4-H | 5 FFA)

Goats: 15 (14 4-H | 1 FFA)

Steers: 27 (27 4-H, 4 FFA)

Heifers: 11 (not weighed, just known)

Note: more details to come after registration in July. These are rough numbers

Tri-County 4-H Camp is June 13-16, @ Cutsforth. 72 campers' grades 4th-6th

State 4-H Trapshooting. 28 kids participated in county this year, 16 qualified to go to state based on their scores and 7 will represent MoCo June 17-19 in Albany. 3 from Ione, 1 Boardman and 3 Heppner. This is the first year our county has successfully had a team/participation and had any qualification scores to attend state!

County Presentations: July 31st at fairgrounds. We will combine with Gilliam county to save on judging costs, etc. and give Gilliam the chance to qualify for state fair. Each county will be judged separately.

Rodeo: Had Mike Duncan come in and look at outdoor and warm-up arena to see what is needed, they will need 6 belly dump loads him and Ryan Miller can do it for under \$4500, indoor arena is being put on hold until after fair and they will be putting together a community committee for looking at what improvements need to be made to the indoor arena and give a presentation to fair board & BOC. Discussion on culvert needing to be replaced with something bigger, Commissioner Lindsay will talk with Matt about this. A couple projects they are going to be working on is fixing some of the board that are coming off the Spur Em' Barn, seams in the plywood need fixed or replaced in arena, bleacher seats need to be checked and fixed (is this rodeo or county). Ground will need to be ripped 2 weeks before the 4-H horse show so roughly July 31st, Terri will fill out a work order for this.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sponsor Updates: Ann presented the board with a print off on where we are at with sponsor dollars for the 2019 fair. This year premium book costs came to \$1821 and our ad sales covered a little more than half!!

Received From	Fair Rental	Gate Receipts	Concessions	Entertainment Sponsorships	Kick-Off Dance	Premium Book Ads	Misc. Revenue	Donations - Fair	Reimbursed Items	Gate Reimb.	Total
amazon web services				1,000.00							1,000.00
barnett & moro						50.00					50.00
beef northwest				300.00							300.00
beo				1,000.00							1,000.00
blown away ranch				300.00		30.00					\$ 330.00
blue mt. investment				300.00							\$ 300.00
boardman firefighters		1,000.00									\$ 1,000.00
boardman foods						80.00					80.00
caithness		2,000.00									2,000.00
city of irrigon						160.00					160.00
columbia basin						60.00					60.00
columbia distributing				500.00							500.00
columbia river technolog				750.00							750.00
community bank				300.00							300.00
community counseling				500.00							500.00
corey miller				300.00							300.00
D&B supply				300.00							300.00
devin oil						30.00					30.00
double t farmin				300.00							300.00
easterday farms				1,000.00							1,000.00
eoms						80.00					80.00
finley buttes				750.00							750.00
heppner chamber						80.00					80.00
heppner market fresh				1,000.00							1,000.00
lamb weston		3,500.00									
lexington pump						80.00					80.00
les schwab						160.00					160.00
mchd				1,000.00							1,000.00
mcgg				1,000.00							1,000.00
millier wheat				300.00							300.00
murrays				1,000.00							1,000.00
oregon health insurance				300.00							300.00
prmt				300.00							300.00
rdo				500.00							500.00
rogers				500.00							500.00
sage center				1,000.00							1,000.00
shelco								100.00			100.00
silver creek				300.00							300.00
the loop						80.00					80.00
threemile canyon				1,000.00							1,000.00
uec				500.00							500.00
wheatland				300.00							300.00
wildhorse				500.00							500.00
willow creek terrace						30.00					30.00
Total	-	6,500.00	-	17,100.00	-	920.00	-	100.00	-	-	24,620.00

Gate: FREE WEEK!! Need to contact the Heppner Gazette and North Morrow Times and ask them to run an article for fair and get the word out that this year is FREE. Wednesday is Lamb Weston, Thursday is Caithness, and Friday is Boardman Fire Fighters Association & Fair Board.

Ann talked with Petra Payne with Heppner Daycare and let her know that there is no charge this year and the front gate will be set up as an information booth, this may help with getting parents to volunteer!

Other: Pat presented two shirt designs for our Veterans day shirts to sell, one shirt is \$10.50 and one is \$12 the board voted to go with the \$12 shirt as it's a better material with a few minor adjustments to the design, fair logo small on left front and RED big on back. Red shirts with white lettering we will sell shirts for \$15 with the proceeds to go to the Morrow County Veterans Services.

Rex talked with Susan and she is good to go for cleaning and garbage, Ann will get paper work redone and sent soon.

Board asked to check with Tony on adding the shower in each outside bathroom, and putting up speakers(s) .

ATM need to call BEO and see if they have an atm machine, if they do see if they will bring one. The one that Rex has is scheduled to be here but if we have access to a different one they would like to send that one to a different town. Ann will call tomorrow.

Please see highlighted notes under old business to see what was discussed at this meeting about those topics.

OLD BUSINESS:

4-H: Staying busy! May 10th we have 50 kids going to Threemile Canyon Farms. Snack shack manager most likely found.

Rodeo: Dirt is needed in the warm up area and still some in the outdoor arena, would still like to get dirt added to the indoor arena. They will offer a \$2 discount to veterans for rodeo on Friday.

Sponsor Updates: as of today, we are at \$14,800 in general “entertainment” sponsor dollars, \$3500 in gate sponsor (Lamb Weston) and \$790 in premium book ads.

Ideally, we need to get 2 more gate sponsors in order to have the week free to everyone. Casey handed Ann a check from Boardman Fire Fighters Association for \$1000 that they would like to go towards Friday gate admission. Discussion on what we can do if we don't get another specific gate sponsor, Caithness Shepherds Flatt, LLC gives us \$2000 for sponsorship and we could move that amount from entertainment to gate.

Chili Cook Off Details: Sponsor dollars: 250? Prize \$? 1st \$75; 2nd \$50; 3rd \$25. Trophies we have 2 do we get one more or just give trophy to 1st place? Yes, let's keep these same details for this year.

Greased pig details: will not be able start at 6 due to 4-H adding dairy show @ 3 pushing back master show to 5 with pee-wee to follow?? First question do we have pigs, Pat said yes, we do. Erin voiced her opinion on the event and does not agree with holding it. Discussion ensued. Decided to move pee-wee showmanship from Friday after master show to Thursday after swine conformation. There will ONLY BE 10 KIDS ALLOWED per age group. Anna informed board to be expecting a letter from her and Erin with their concerns on this event, 4-H is about teaching good animal husbandry to which they feel this goes against.

Cleaning & Garbage person: Yes, Susan is on board to do this again!

Arcade Room details: (Cody) are we going to find someone to work it? Ann will check with Petra Payne (HHS advisor) to see if she knows of any high school students in need of volunteer hours for graduation. Discussion on if this should be free or charged, after lengthy discussion prices set same as last year \$10-day \$30 week. Still look for someone to just sit and monitor let people know where to purchase bands at.

Camping/Parking: Need to talk with Matt Scrivner about where we would like to put RV camping and see if he sees any issues with that area.

National Guard: Buck talked with them, right now they may have 2 Humvees to bring and have a couple guys walking around.

Chips/Sawdust: Where do we go if we cannot get from Boardman Tree Farm? Need to check with Umatilla County and see who they get theirs from. Commissioner Doherty suggested to check with Matt and see if he has a truck available to help with hauling from the north end. We would want 10-20 yards and prefer sawdust over chips. Commission Doherty will talk with Lisa, Ann will contact Dodge Trucking and see what they have to say.

Other: Toni with Curbside Café & Catering in Boardman attended the beginning of the meeting and would like to be a food vendor for the week of fair. Ann gave her a contract to look over and fill out. She said she is looking forward to being part of the Morrow County fair. Later discussion towards the end of the meeting about the buyers' luncheon and who is going to be catering that this year, Casey offered to contact Toni and see if she would be interested in doing it.

Veterans day suggestions: talk with the band ask them to do a moment of silence before they perform, look at having shirts made "Morrow County Fair supports our Veterans" Pat and Buck will work on this.

Casey talked with Go Daddy on website they cannot do it for us because of us being on entity of the county. Ann will play around with the county website and see what all I can do on it.

After looking at how the fair board meetings would fall between Heppner & Boardman and July needs to be in Heppner it was decided to move the June meeting from Heppner to Boardman on June 12th at 6:30pm.

Rex let us know that due to changes at his work he is now driving to Mountain Home Id. Every day and will not be able to attend meetings but will be available over phone for them. And will also be here for the week of fair.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned by Pat Tolar @ 8:50 pm

NEXT MEETING July 10th 2019 @ Fairgrounds Annex 74473 HWY 74 LENA, Heppner OR