

Eau Claire County Fair Committee Minutes

February 9, 2022

Meeting by WebEx

Meeting was called to order by Jennifer Haan at 6:31 pm.

Confirmation of meeting notice.

Roll Call of members was done by Danyelle Steinke

Fair Committee members present: Jenni Haan, Tyson Flottmeir, Scot Zimmerman, Bethany Strauch, Kyle Wathke, Letecia Papke, Missy Christopherson, Tammy Schlewitz, Darren Schlewitz, Rachel Hart-Brinson.

Others Present: Debbie Kitchen, Eau Claire County Fair Coordinator

Guests Present: Don Mowry, Heather Deluka

Public Comment – None, Scot moved to close public comment, Tammy seconds.

Committee Minutes – Changes needed in Showmanship document wording. Scot moved to approve January meeting minutes at the March meeting due to discrepancies. Letecia second, motion passed unanimously.

Advertising –

- Daycare letter to be generic for all organizations.
- Promotions, present at Friends of the Fair meeting.
- Health and Safety, working with EMS, EC Energy or Exel Energy, City of EC Canine Department.

Fair Representative Reports – 4H Leaders - Darren, Food on grounds Wednesday through Saturday 11 am to 6 pm. Unsure of Sunday. OYC wants a food stand as well Monday through Saturday. Food trucks on grounds Friday and Saturday. Darren suggested having all parts of the fair discussing the food options.

County Board - Missy, ARPA funds starting mid-February

Livestock Bylaws: Darren moved to approve the livestock bylaws as written. Scot second.

Roll call vote: Leticia – no, Darren – yes, Tammy – yes, Scot – yes, Bethany – no, Danyelle – no, Missy – yes, Tyson – yes, Jenni – yes, Kyle – no. Motion passed with 4 opposed and 6 in favor.

Awards – Scot suggested all species have trophies for Champion and Reserve Banners. Supreme Champions receive travel banner that is handed back in at the end of the fair and take home the trophy/banner instead. Darren suggests winner sign traveling trophy every year. Danyelle suggested gathering more information on traveling banner and discuss at March meeting.

Extension – Rachel, Advisory board meeting was held. No further updates.

Friends of the Fair – Kyle

- Special meeting was held February 2 to discuss the Corresponding Secretary position and the duties, which entail, donation committee, hospitality committee, thank you notes, etc. Heather Erdman is the new Corresponding Secretary.
- Fair Coordinator salary increased to \$18,000 per year, starting March 1, 2022

2022 Fair

Committee Coordinator assignments

- Danyelle moved to Expo Coordinator to help Jenni and Rachel, per Jenni's request.
- Add Leticia for Oversight Coordinator.
- Volunteer Coordinator to join sign up genius together.
- Food Coordinator – Jenni Haan

Missy moved to pass committee assignments with corrections. Leticia second. Motion passed unanimously.

Food Trucks and Food Stands

- Icee Vendor
- Friday 11 am to 7 pm, Saturday 11 am – 9:30 pm
- Buyer check-in - \$5 ticket to use at food stands and food trucks.
- Contract for prices back, Option A – flat fee of \$250 (Friday and Saturday). Option B – Percentage of what they bring in – minimum of \$250.

ATCP – Premium checks/Carcass and Ultrasound

- Scot moved to make ultrasound mandatory with carcass optional and ribbon only. Leticia second. Motion passed unanimously.
- Augusta FFA alumni display, no discussion

Fair committee assignments added twice in fair book, change made.

Schedule – A lot added, looking for more suggestions.

- Fair entertainment added for 6:30 pm Friday night of the fair.
- Danyelle moves to approve fair schedule with the changes added and Mounted Justice done by 3:30 pm Saturday afternoon. Bethany second. Motion passes 9 yes and 1 no.

Fair Coordinator Report

- Working on Fair Book, advertising, and website
- New insurance agent
- Sponsors needed – have one large, if committee members know someone contact them.

Announcements/Discussion from any member

- Livestock Bylaws to go to Extension Committee for review.

Next meeting is March 9, 2022, at 6:30 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm