

Eau Claire County Fair Committee  
February 8th, 2023, at 6:30 PM  
Town of Lincoln Town Hall  
S5555 Green Meadow Rd. Fall Creek, WI 54742

1. Meeting called to order by Jenni Haan at 6:36 pm.
2. Roll Call:  
Fair Committee Members Present: Traci Martinson, Jenni Haan, Letecia Papke, Scot Zimmerman, Darren Schlewitz, Tammy Schlewitz, Kyle Wathke, Valerie Strauch, Missy Christopherson, Bethany Strauch  
Others present: Chauncey Ellefsen- Corp Counsel, Meg Mueller – Interim Fair Coordinator  
WebEx: Heather DeLuka, and Rachel Hart-Brinson
3. Approval of Committee Minutes –
  - a. January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Scot moves to approve, Kyle seconds voted passed.
  - b. February 1, 2023-Letecia moves to approve with changes made. Traci seconds. Voted, Passed. Changes: Missy left at 5:30 pm, Meg left at 7:25 pm, Tammy left at 7:45 pm. Rachel left for an hour for a meeting. Under #4 Fair Book and #5 Roles to Roles
4. Public Comment: called for three times, none received.  
Scot moves to close public comment. Letecia seconds. Voted. Motion passed.
5. Eau Claire County Fair Committee By-laws and Mutual Respect Policy-  
  
Missy moves to amend under Terms of Members #5 “If a committee member does not step down within 30 days of appointment they will be removed from the Fair Committee.” Seconded by Valerie. Voted. Motion passed unanimously.  
  
Mutual Respect Policy- What determines a conflict of interest? Family members or financial gain.  
  
B. Conflict of interest is defined as family member involvement in the complaint or if the mediator or the mediator’s family stand to gain personally or financially and as also defined in the Eau Claire County Code and the WI State Statutes.  
  
C. If resolution is not accomplished, this grievance shall be presented to the Fair Committee at a publicly noticed meeting. Upon creation of the Eau Claire County Ethics Board the Fair Committee would be subject to rules created there in.  
  
Missy moves to add the above two letters B and C added to the Mutual Respect Policy. Scot seconds. Voted and passed unanimously.
6. County Fair Update-Fair Improvement Plan- Update given by Missy regarding requirements of Fair Committee. Tammy moves for Jenni to write apology letter for review at next committee meeting. Traci seconds. Voted and passed unanimously.

7. 2023 Fair Discussion/Action

- a. Updates: Boy scouts-Pinewood Derby  
Girl scouts-brainstorming ideas for an event at the fair.  
FFA-getting reinvolved, corn feed, etc.
- b. Superintendent Roles and Responsibilities, applications, and manuals, etc. – need to start letter with a thank you. Change the financial disclosure statement. Scot moves to approve with pending changes. Kyle seconds. Voted. 7-yes 2-no Motion passes.
- c. ECCF Structure proposal table to date certain-next month.
- d. Fair Book edits-  
Letecia moves to have a work night on 2/23 at 5:30 pm at Pleasant Valley Community Center to work on the disciplinary process for the fair book. Members will be Missy, Traci, Letecia, Tammy, Meg, Valerie, Bethany, and Rachel. Jenni seconds. Voted and passes unanimously.

Breed associations in the fair book: Scot moves: All specific breed associations be struck from the fair book to be replaced by any junior breed association. And to remove the educational portion. Missy seconds. Voted and motion passed unanimously. Clarification: if you are a member of a specific breed organization, that is all you can exhibit at the fair. For example, if you are a member of the Shorthorn association, you can only exhibit shorthorns.

Livestock Rules: Scot moves to approve the Livestock Project Rules. Bethany seconds. Voted and passes unanimously.

Bred and Owned: Scot moves to follow the State Fair regarding Bred and Owned animals. The junior exhibitor's name must be currently listed on the registration certificate as an owner or co-owner and also the original breeder or co-breeder of the specific entry. If the exhibitor's family farm name is used there must be proof provided that the exhibitor is part of the farm membership. Tammy seconded the motion. 6-yes 4-no Motion passed.

Scot moves to approve Fair Book changes as presented, except those voted on above. Tammy seconded the motion. Voted and passed unanimously.

Animal and Expo Manager Roles-appoint for 1 year.

- a. Missy moves to appoint Jenni and Traci for Expo Managers. Scot seconds. Voted and passes unanimously.
- b. Jenni moves to appoint Tammy as Animal Manager. Scot seconds. Voted and passed unanimously.

Schedule-Reviewed. Darren moves to have a horse project fun day on Saturday and Sunday and not have Mounted Justice. Scot seconded. Voted. Yes-6 No-3 Abstain-1

8. Fair Committee Structure Fair Representative Reports

- a. 4-H Leaders- Darren -Discover-4-H on 3/4
- b. County Board-Missy-no update
- c. Livestock-Scot-Bison Butchering 1/21 50 people attended.
- d. Extension- Rachel

- e. FOF-Kyle – Next meeting is 2/28
- 9. Fair Theme: Blue Jeans and Fair Dreams
- 10. Announcements/Future Agenda Items:

Darren resigned from his position on Fair Committee effective immediately. Clarification made regarding voting on other committees, this does include the youth members. They will need to abstain from voting at the Livestock meetings.

Next Meeting March 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm

Adjourn at 11:21 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Schlewitz  
Committee Clerk