

Fair Committee Agenda
August 14, 2024 at 7:00pm
Washington Town Hall
5750 Old Town Hall Road Eau Claire WI54701

Those wishing to make public comments can submit their name and address no later than 30 minutes prior to the meeting to Derrick Nelson derricknelson4240@gmail.com or attend the meeting in person. Comments are limited to three minutes; you will be called on during the public comment section of the meeting. A majority of the county board may be in attendance at this meeting, however, only members of the committee may take action on an agenda item.

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1. Call to Order and Confirmation of Meeting Notice
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Approval of Committee Minutes- Discussion/Action-
 - a. July 17,2024 – minutes
5. County and Fair Relationship – Discussion/Action
 - a. Fair Structure
 - b. Roles/Responsibilities
6. 2024 Fair - Discussion/Action
7. Fair Committee Structure Fair Representative Reports – Discussion/Action
 - a. County Board -
 - b. Livestock – Derrick
 - c. Extension – Rachel
 - d. Friends of the Fair – Tammy

8. Fair Coordinator Report – Discussion/Action
a. Updates

9. Announcements

10. Future Agenda Items

11. Future Meeting Date:

12. Adjourn

Fair Committee

Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2024, at 7:00pm

Eau Claire County Expo Grounds

1. Call to Order and Confirmation of Meeting Notice – Derrick Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Jodi Thesing-Ritter, Tammy Schlewitz, Lorelee Clark, Meg Mueller, Devon Hadorn-Papke (via Zoom), Valarie Strauch, Derrick Nelson

3. Public Comment

No public comment. Tammy Schlewitz made a motion to close public comment; Motion seconded by Valerie Strauch. Motioned carried.

4. Approval of Committee Minutes

Tammy Schlewitz moved to approve the minutes; Derrick Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. County and Fair Relationship – Discussion/Action – Derrick Nelson and Meg Mueller reported on meeting progress so far. A discussion was held regarding the inclusion of a youth aged 16 and over as an executive member of the new fair committee structure. It was requested to reconsider including a youth member in the executive committee. Meg and Derrick agreed to take the suggestion back to the committee for review. The proposed structure will be presented at the Raffle event on August 20, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at Pleasant Valley Community Center. If the proposed structure is approved the current Fair Committee will disband and the new structure will be in place for the September meeting.

Meg Mueller presented the schedule. A discussion was had about the rodeo ticket sales. 250 tickets have been sold to date. Ideas were generated for further promotion.

Dairy cow milk discussion was had. After a lengthy discussion and brainstorming on how best to proceed. Derrick Nelson made a motion to start the Dairy Show with President's Class at 10:30 a.m.; Heifer show would begin at 11:00 and cows to follow with no milking on grounds. Cows will trailer in on Saturday and leave following the show. Tammy Schlewitz seconded the motion. Motion carried with one dissenting vote.

Jenni Haan submitted a resignation email to Derrick effective at the conclusion of the 2024 fair.

There is still a need for volunteers on Saturday for the VIP Dinner. Jodi Thesing-Ritter committed to finding 10 people to assist from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. There is also a need for 10 adult and 10 youth for set up on Sunday. Jodi Thesing-Ritter committed to recruiting volunteers.

County Board Report- Our new committee member from the County Board, Loralee Clark, was introduced.

Livestock Report- Derrick indicated that folks are busy getting ready for the fair.

Friends of the Fair- the Fair Coordinator position has been posted. Sandwich Boards are being updated and are being put out. Entry Tags are being distributed. Big stone for the tribute garden will not be here in time for the fair.

Fair Coordinator Report- Entry tags have been distributed. Shirts have been ordered.

Next meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on August 14th at a location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Thesing-Ritter

Committee Secretary