



Justin Holcomb, Chairman
Sarah Edwards, Vice-Chairman
Marilyn Christensen, Secretary
Shawn Acord, Board Member
Trena Bauder, Board Member
Acacia Elkins, Board Member
Joey Leegaard, Board Member

- A. 6:00 P.M. Meeting Call To Order
Time the meeting will start.

- I. Introductions

- B. Commissioner Quarterly Meeting

- C. Minutes (Draft) For Approval

- Prior monthly minutes will be presented for approval. Minutes presented are in "draft" form.

- I. Prior Month "Draft" Minutes

- Documents:

- [FAIRBOARD MEETING 12-12-17.PDF](#)

- D. Extension Report

- University of Wyoming, Campbell County Extension Report.
Kim Fry and Cinnamon Lenhart

- E. FFA Advisor Report

- Campbell County FFA Advisor Reports
Gillette FFA - Troy Gladson
Thunder Basin FFA - Kristi Holum
Wright FFA - Randall Haeefe

- F. Old Business

- I. Mission Statement And Purpose

- II. 2018 Entertainment Report

- III. Other Old Business

G. New Business

I. Fair Colors

II. Mandatory Meeting Dates

May 2nd is Early Release.

Shrine Circus in Equality Hall

Art Gala in Energy Hall

Central Pavillion is open, 2:30 - 4:30 and 7:00

May 24th

After school is out

Spirit Hall is open 4:30 and 7:00

III. 2018 Fair Book Rule Changes

IV. Budget Meeting Date

Set Board Meeting Date to Review the Budget for 2018-19.

V. Winter Gathering

January 19th - Equality Hall 5:30 pm

VI. Other New Business

H. 2018 Officer Elections

I. Monthly Voucher Approval

Vouchers will be presented for approval by the Fair Board.

J. Meeting Adjourn

Time the meeting will adjourn.

Campbell County Fair Board Monthly Regular Meetings are the third Tuesday of the month. Meetings begin at 6pm. If you would like on the Agenda, please contact the Fair Office at 307.687.0200 a week in advance.

Fair Board Meeting
December 12, 2017

Justin Holcomb	Sarah Edwards	Marilyn Christensen	Shawn Acord	Jake Boller
Myles Haugen	Slim Slattery	Bobbi Jo Heald	Niki Hensley	
Troy Gladson (Gillette FFA)		Randall Haefele (Wright FFA)		
Craig Grassel (KOC)	Dave Hartiger (KOC)	Ken Svalina (KOC)		

Chairman, Justin Holcomb called the meeting to order at 6:03pm

Minutes ~

Marilyn Christensen made a motion to accept the October minutes as presented. Sarah Edwards seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Smokin' On The Prairie (KOC) ~

Craig Grassel thanked the Board for having them come to the meeting. He mentioned that the Knights of Columbus (KOC) would like to look at a possible Fair charity to put on their list, such as Youth Awards, 4-H and FFA.

Bobbi Jo explained the time change of the Pullers to Craig in an email. Discussion was held on the time change. Justin Holcomb asked what is the ideal time for the BBQ? Dave and Ken said last years' time worked great. Everything worked well in 2017, even the rain helped settle the dust. Discussion was held on the time and it was decided to have the people enter the BBQ between 12 – 3 on Saturday. They said they had a good turnout in 2017.

Discussion was held about why the Pullers was in the afternoon. Bobbi Jo said the decision to move it up earlier was due to the animals getting released in the evening. Sarah Edwards stated that Saturday will be the pig show now and that is our biggest show day and it is also the last day of the Fair.

It all seemed to work well with the Pioneer Dinner as well. Craig Grassel asked if the concessionaires were upset, specifically the concession right next to the BBQ. Bobbi Jo had not heard anything from him or any of the others.

Bobbi Jo asked if they are planning on doing the sandwiches on Friday evening again. Craig said that wasn't as good as they hoped it would be, so they are planning on having an inhouse rally for sponsors and exhibitors. Craig said there will be no food or alcohol sold on Friday night like 2017.

Craig and Dave said that the event works well keeping it enclosed. Bobbi Jo mentioned that we will not rent out that first row of camp spots next to the BBQ, so they can move to the north. Discussion was held that they would prefer to move closer to the building to the south. This would mean moving the laser tag. Laser tag could go in the parking lot with barrels of water to tie down the obstacles. The Board will work on moving laser tag.

Craig mentioned that in 2018, they are thinking they will have competitors do a side as well. Justin Holcomb stated that it did not seem as congested as they thought it would be. Craig said if they move some things around they could maybe fit 4 more competitors in the area. He said their vendors felt a little cheated on space. Overall the Knights of Columbus were happy with the venue. They have been asking competitors what they liked/disliked and will know more about things to keep or change.

Smokin' On The Prairie (KOC) (Continued) ~

Dave asked about signage. Bobbi Jo said they put banners at two entrances, the big 4 foot signs had the Smokin' On the Prairie logo and time on it and mentioned that Cam-Plex has some more 3x4 signs that we could use too. Bobbi Jo also mentioned the idea of doing a 3 on 3 basketball tournament as well, for added attendance. Craig mentioned they will park the fire truck somewhere else, so not to block the BBQ. Craig asked again to think of a charity that they could help from their proceeds. They thanked the board for allowing them the opportunity again.

Beef Tagging ~

Bobbi Jo asked the Board to look at the Beef tagging sheet and if the dates and times looked alright. The Board agreed it all looked fine, tags could be handed out before Christmas break and up until February 1st at 5pm and are due in to the Fair Office by February 2nd at 5pm.

FFA Reports ~

Randall Haefele said that he liked the new schedule. Troy Gladson liked that everything was bumped up a day.

Randall Haefele asked if it would be possible to have a Jackpot swine show during Fair – like how Wyoming State Fair does theirs. Discussion was held about the having a jackpot. Jake Boller informed everyone that the 4-H is working on a feeding/fitting clinic and jackpot sometime in June as well. Randall said that Courtney Fuller did one last year in Wright. Marilyn Christensen said her club members liked it.

Sarah Edwards mentioned that there might be room to hold a pig jackpot on Wednesday evening. It was asked about having other species jackpots. Troy Gladson said that pigs and lambs will jackpot more than beef, due to the ease of getting the animals ready. They would sign up after they go across the scale, like they do at State Fair.

Myles Haugen and Sarah Edwards informed the advisors that we had heard of a new way to possibly involve local businesses in helping advertise the Fair. Plywood cutouts of animals that the business displays to advertise the Fair. The Fair that shared the idea has the Boy Scouts make them and sell them. It is a decorating contest for the businesses and a fundraiser for the Scouts. Sarah asked if they had a wood “plasma” cutter (if there is such a thing)? They do not have such a thing. Bobbi Jo told them that Cinnamon was looking at having her Young Leaders group do this, so it was decided to wait to discuss it with her.

Discussion was held about all the panel changes the Board would like to make.

Pig Loading Chute: Paint Black (Wright FFA)

Pig Loading lead up Panels: Metal sheeting to prevent looking out. (Wright FFA)

Bike Corral Panels: Prime and Paint (Thunder Basin FFA) (Gillette FFA)

Pig Scale Cage: Prime, Paint and fix hinges. (Gillette FFA)

Troy Gladson asked if the Board would deliver, Shawn Acord said yes. The Board thanked them and will work on getting the panels to them in January.

Troy Gladson asked if the Board had heard anything about the Wyoming State Fair crunching the days into a shorter time frame. They had heard at their fall convention that they were putting the whole WSF facility under direction of a new Wyoming State Fair Board. He and Randall explained that the Ag Teachers voted to hire a lobbyist for the Wyoming State Fair for the upcoming legislature to help try to receive more money for State Fair.

2018 Fair Schedule:

Discussion was held on the final draft of the 2018 Fair Schedule. Sarah Edwards mentioned that it would be nice to increase the rate for the Demolition Derby. Shawn Acord stated that we had discussed no rate hikes for a while after the Board increased it for 2017. Troy Gladson asked about taking a percentage of alcohol or ticket sales. It was mentioned that accuracy was questionable when it was done that way before. Sarah Edwards said she thinks they should be asked to pay what it would cost them to rent Cam-Plex on their own.

Myles Haugen reported about the 3 on 3 Basketball information that he had. He wanted to know what is the Boards' thoughts on the idea. Myles talked to the Sheridan 3 on 3 Coordinator. He found a place that has the Basketball hoops, they are \$200 each for very nice ones. We would have to store them.

He also had discussed with Ken Clouston about applying for Rec. Mill money. It should be something for the kids and the community when applying for the Rec. Mill monies. Myles said it would be nice to have 10 half courts. He said that a Rec. Mill grant could potentially amount to \$2000 which would pay for the 10 hoops. Can a county entity fill out for a Rec. Mill grant?

At first Myles had discussed the Gillette College Basketball team doing this, but the Athletic Trainer said most of the players will not be back in Gillette by Fair time. Myles has been researching how to run a tournament and where to rent equipment needed for it. Buffalo and Sheridan used to do 3 on 3 tournaments, but found it was hard to find help and weather was a huge factor. We would need to check with Cam-Plex and see if we could paint the parking lot or if we would have to tape it. We would need some tents as well for shade. Bobbi Jo mentioned that Wes, with Four Seasons has tents that we could rent.

Troy Gladson liked the idea and said it would bring out your non-traditional Fair public. Myles said the hardest thing the other places ran in to was finding referees. Troy Gladson said that when they used to have it here in Gillette, they hired a company who brought everything and ran the tournament.

Bobbi Jo asked on the schedule if we should keep the Trade Show open on Sunday. Discussion was held about not having any free stage in the Plaza, but keeping the Trade Show and Free Stage setup in the Wyoming Center. The consensus was to try it this year and see. Marilyn Christensen said it will be important to promote that the Free Stage is on different days and it will not all be up and running on the last Sunday of Fair.

Discussion was held about possibly changing our main event, the truck pulls, to something like the Nitro Circus. We will look at this in the Fall of 2018.

Bobbi Jo informed the Board of the email from Cam-Plex about the band Kansas. They are routing through our area during Fair and have the 2nd and 3rd open. Cam-Plex would just rent the theater to them. The Board asked what is in it for the Fair? Bobbi Jo will email that back to them and see what the answer is.

Bobbi Jo asked about having a Ranch Rodeo meeting. We need to build the flyer for it and discuss if we are having Mini-Broncs or not to let Lazy 3S Rodeo know. Shawn Acord said that if we do the mini-broncs again, they would like to have 3 pickup men for that. Suggestions were made for Birch Neegaard and Tom Wagner for judges for the Ranch Rodeo. Tom has moved south though. Justin, Steve and Shawn will be on the committee. Jake Boller offered to help as well.

Mission Statement ~

Everyone read the proposed final draft of the Mission Statement. Discussion was held. There was a change suggested. Sarah Edwards made a motion to accept the Mission Statement with the proposed changes. Dave Slattery seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Other ~

Theme ~

Bobbi Jo asked about the map for the Fair Book Color. Jake will get it to Marilyn and she will take it to Mark to scan. Discussion was held on ideas for the layout.

Fair Colors ~

Marilyn mentioned how nice it looked in the Wyoming Center with everything red, white and blue last year. It was very patriotic. Discussion was held to wait until the new Board members are here and let them help with the decision.

IAFE Report ~

Marilyn and Sarah reported that the speakers were very good. The classes were also very productive on what is happening in today's Fair worlds. Bobbi Jo mentioned that she attended the YQCA session and they have had great usage of it since it went live in March 2017. We can discuss that with Extension when they attend the next meeting.

Social Media still a big issue. Other Fairs cannot believe that our county restricts us so much. Justin Holcomb mentioned that we need to dedicate one person to the social media job. Sarah Edwards said that we need to create a 2018 hash tag for Campbell County Fair and flood the use of it.

A suggestion was made to have a luncheon with the Commissioners and ask them to try and understand the need for a marketing consultant.

Cam-Plex Bill ~

Discussion was held about the meeting with ReNea Keuck and Greg Rook. Bobbi Jo apologized for having the meeting as we have paid the same amount in trash for the last 3 years. Greg did tell Justin, Sarah and Bobbi Jo that they have 100 dumpsters. Justin suggested doing a video inventory of the dumpsters before Fair begins. Greg and ReNae also mentioned for us to talk to the Commissioners about waiving the tipping fees for the week of Fair. Greg also said if the dumpsters are half full the city will not pick them up.

Justin Holcomb did mention that Greg tried to give us the benefit of the doubt because it is hard to distinguish between NHSFR and the Fair on the dumpsters and labor.

Winter Gathering ~

Bobbi Jo reminded the Board that the Winter Gathering is January 19th. Outgoing Board members will receive their Board plaque at that time. She mentioned that it would be nice if everyone could attend.

Outgoing Board Members ~

Justin Holcomb expressed his gratitude towards the three retiring members of our Board, Jake Boller, Myles Haugen and Dave Slattery. Everyone said thank you for their outstanding service and that they will be missed.

Voucher Approval ~

Marilyn Christensen made a motion to accept the voucher list, Myles Haugen seconded. There was discussion. Vouchers were approved.

Meeting Adjourned ~

Dave Slattery made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sarah Edwards seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justin Holcomb, Chairperson

Bobbi Jo Heald, Fair Coordinator

Next Meeting: January 16, 2018 ~~ Energy Hall Registration Room

Commissioner Quarterly Meeting

Baked Potato Bar – Mrs. C’s Catering. The potato bar will include a large baked potato for everyone, my homemade pork chili (amazing) and all the fixings for the potato such as cheese, bacon bits, onion, sour cream and butter. Dessert can be chocolate or lemon bundt cake or a cobbler of some sort.