Teton County Fair Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday June 8th, 2020 @ 5:30PM

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Mission: The mission of the TCFB is to produce an exceptional fair and administer the year-round use of the fairgrounds while promoting the western heritage; uniting urban and rural communities in celebration.

Vision: The TCFB’s vision is to actively engage in the pursuit and promotion of our rural and agricultural heritage, from neighborhood back yards to family farms and local businesses.

I. Call to Order
Marybeth calls the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

II. Roll Call/Pronouncement of a Quorum
Present: Marybeth Hansen, Gary Hardeman, Peter Long, Matt Hall, Steve Genzer, Amy Hindman, Tere Nelson, Deb Lutz, Hannah Bouline
Also present: Rachel Grimes, Hadley Stewart, Sarah Mann, Catherine Tallichet, Tim Oakley, Sara Budge, Alyssa Watkins, Glenn Owings, Michael Schrotz, Neil Ford

III. Adopt Agenda
Matt motions to adopt the agenda. Steve seconds the motion. No discussion; all in favor.

IV. Approval of May 11th Meeting Minutes
Matt moves to approve the May 11 meeting minutes. Steve seconds the motion. No discussion; all in favor.

V. Public Comment
No public comment.

DISCUSSION ITEMS
VI. Michael Schrotz – Lion’s Club
Michael gives an update as to how the Lion’s Club might possibly be of service during Fair.
VII. Glenn Owings – 4-H Updates
Glenn gives an update on 4-H participation and how they are working to plan for Fair.

VIII. Sara Budge/Chris Attias – Environmental Health
Sara will be answering questions as they arise throughout the meeting.

Neil Ford from Rotary
Neil offers Rotary’s service if needed.

**ACTION ITEMS**

IX. New Business
a. 2020 Fair & COVID 19
Rachel gives an overview of the practical options for the 2020 Fair due to the COVID 19 pandemic and county-wide budgetary constraints. Rachel recommends accommodating 4-H, the Blue-Ribbon Exhibit Hall, and the Open Class Horse Show; all secondary entertainment should be cancelled. Rachel suggests no overnight camping and no animals in the barn overnight. The goal is to limit the number of people at any one time on the Fairgrounds to comply with state and county health ordinances. The Board discusses options for providing food on the fairgrounds during events. Matt motions to organize and promote 4-H, the Exhibit Hall and the Horse Show, Pig Wrestling on Thursday, Rodeo on Saturday, and Figure 8 Races on Sunday. Amy seconds the motion. The Board discusses the cost of putting on events versus the revenue that would be brought in with a limit of 250 people. Sara Budge speaks to what the 250-person limit means and what would be required to receive an exception to that limit. Rachel speaks to the Fair’s phased written plan and the logistics and cost involved in putting on night events. Matt votes in favor, Marybeth, Gary, Hannah, Peter, Steve, Deb, Tere opposed. Amy abstains. The motion fails.

Matt motions to organize and promote 4-H static exhibits, livestock exhibits and sale, the Blue-Ribbon Exhibit Hall, and the Figure 8s. Deb seconds the motion. The Board discusses the logistics of having the Figure 8 Races. Sara Budge explains that 250 spectators are allowed in addition to participants and staff. The Board discusses the expenses associated with each night event and potential revues with reduced ticket sales. Rachel speaks to what the other fairs in Wyoming are doing this year. Peter speaks to the fact that it is a liability for the Fair Board to put on an event using taxpayer dollars and potentially risk an outbreak. Deb, Matt, Amy in favor. Marybeth, Steve, Peter, Garry, Hannah, Tere opposed. The motion fails.

Peter motions to move forward with 4-H, the Blue-Ribbon Exhibit Hall, and Open Class Horse Show as Rachel outlined. Tere seconds the motion. Clarification: the motion includes 4-H static exhibits and livestock, and
livestock sale in some capacity. The Board discusses the logistics and costs associated with putting on these three parts of Fair. Hannah, Steve, Marybeth, Peter, Gary in favor. Tere, Deb, Amy, Matt opposed. The motion passes.

Amy leaves the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Tere motions to have 2 food vendors every afternoon for lunch, Lion’s Club breakfast every morning, and a beer garden. Deb seconds the motion. The Board discusses potential food options at Fair. Tere in favor. Steve, Peter, Marybeth, Hannah. Deb, Gary, Matt opposed. The motion fails.

Hannah motions to recommend staff to contact food vendors to see what their interests would be to come to Fair and will decide at a special meeting or at the July meeting. Deb seconds the motion. The Board discusses what having vendors at the Fair would look like and requiring they have individual health plans. Steve, Hannah, Peter, Marybeth in favor. Gary, Deb, Matt, Tere opposed. The motion fails.

Deb motions to allow the vendor committee to make the decision to have vendors at our Fair and which vendors they will have on each day and also to allow community service people like the Lion’s Club if they want to come in and do something to allow them to have first dibs on providing a meal. Steve seconds the motion. The Board discusses having vendors at Fair. Steve, Matt, Marybeth, Tere, Deb in favor. Gary, Peter, Hannah opposed. The motion passes.

Tere motions to establish a committee for vendors at the Fair. Deb seconds. Hannah, Steve, Peter, Marybeth, Matt, Deb, Tere in favor. Gary abstains. The motion passes.

Tere moves to appoint members to the vendor committee. Hannah seconds the motion. Marybeth, Matt, and Gary will be on the vendor committee. Marybeth, Gary, Matt, Hannah, Tere, Deb, Peter, Steve in favor. The motion passes.

X. Old Business

OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

XI. FY20 Fair Budget & Fund Balance Updates
Rachel gives an overview of the fair budget and where the remainder of the budget will be spent and discusses the reduced scopes of work that Fair contractors have provided.
XII. Committee Update Reports
   a. Exhibit Hall
      The Exhibit Hall committee will discuss incorporating a lawn competition and poetry walk into Fair.
   b. Horse Show
      No updates.

XIII. Matters & Announcements from Board & Staff
   c. Fair & Fairgrounds Manager Report & Updates
   d. Marybeth
      Marybeth will work on organizing a Horse Show committee meeting.
   e. Gary
      No updates.
   f. Peter
      No updates.
   g. Amy
      Not present.
   h. Steve
      No updates.
   i. Deb
      No updates.
   j. Tere
      Tere gives an update on the royalty program. The committee will make a recommendation to be voted on at the July Fair Board meeting.
   k. Hannah
      Hannah questions the role of Fair in promoting inclusivity in our community.
   l. Matt
      No updates.

XIV. Other

XV. Adjourn
   Matt motions to adjourn at 7:57 PM. Gary seconds. All in favor. No discussion.