

November FAC Meeting Minutes Okanogan County Fairgrounds Annex

February 15, 2022 6:00 PM

I. Call to order

Bonny Theis called to order the regular meeting of the Okanogan County Fair Advisory Committee at 6:04 PM on 02/15/2022 at the Okanogan County Fairgrounds Annex Building.

II. Attendance

The following persons were present: Lori Caswell, Bonny Theis, Brock Hires, Charlayne Knapp, Rick Hamilton, Chantry Leslie, JR Leslie, Carol Sivak, Pam Johnson, Naomie Peasley, and Community Members – Bobby Wilson, Wanda Christmann, Chris McCuen, Margie McClellan, Angelyn Sheppard (4-H), and Scott Vejraska.

III. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as submitted. Motion made to approve as submitted by Carol and 2nd by Brock.

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Lori made a motion to approve the minutes as written and submitted, Chantry 2nd the motion. The minutes were approved as submitted and written.

V. Public Comment

- a) Scott Vejraska asked about what power was needed for the Headliner at the North End of the Fairgrounds. Brock stated that they would possible be bringing their own generators and we will know more once we know who it will be.
- b) The Fac was asked again if we were going to address the letter from Angie Morgan. It was stated that we had already decided as a FAC that it was not a FAC issue at the last meeting and that those questions have been addressed previously.

VI. FAC Auxiliary Reports

- a) Addey was not present and her mom Wanda Christmann stated that Addey has tickets to attend the Tonasket Queen's coronation dinner and presented us with the plans of her improvement project which was the wash rack for the lamb barn including 6 water spickets and a new water line at the barn.
- b) Angela Sheppard introduced herself as the new 4-H Coordinator and is available Mondays and Fridays at the office.
- c) Fairgrounds Maintenance/Operations Report: Naomie stated the Commercial Building is condemned and no longer usable, the RV Park pedestal project is out for bid, the race barn is on hold, and the grand stands are being removed so what would we like to do during Fair. We asked if that was our responsibility and will need more info.

VII. Old Business

- a) Second vote on the code of conduct – passed as amended. Chantry made the motion to accept as amended and JR second.
- b) Policy & Procedure changes: FAC members signed the adopted policies and procedures.
- c) Entertainment: Brock stated we still don't have a headline for the concert yet but he is still working on it. ProWest approval is being sent it by Charlayne.
- d) Advertising: Letters were going out to the school next week.

VIII. New Business

- a) The Rotary is looking at a permanent stage for the Fairgrounds.
- b) Admission prices with the concert: Lori motioned to make the prices for Thursday \$20 which would include the concert, Friday and Saturday would stay \$10 and Sunday \$5. The season pass would be \$35. Rick Second. All passed.
- c) Little beef barn: A discussion was had about the little beef barn being able to also sell calves in an auction. More discussion is needed at the next meeting. Both sides have good ideas but could possibly cause more issues.
- d) Parade of Champions: It was brought up to have the parade of champions moved back to the track. After lots of discussion and the pros and cons we decided to move it to the grass area on the South end at 9AM Sunday morning of Fair so the kids can have their animals present for the parade as

it once was. Brock made the motion to move it to the South end grass area and start time of 9AM. Lori Second and all passed. Scott Vejraska offered to help.

- e) Letter of interest from Cutter Raines for the FAC open position. Chantry read the letter and we acknowledged it and sent it to the Commissioners for approval.
- f) Vending: It was discussed to have a lower rate for non-profit organizations. More time needed to discuss this. It will be tabled until the March meeting so that Mike will also be present for the discussion. Ideas were to lower the rate and them not be allowed to sell any items at all or to do it by donation of what the organization felt they could afford. They would have to provide proof of non-profit status.
- g) New FAC member policies: Lori moved to accept with amendments and Brock second.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM

Next meeting will be held at the Annex March 14, 2022 6PM