

RUSK COUNTY JR FAIR BOARD

July 25, 2021
MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Terry DuSell, Judy Srp, Connie Meyer, Colton Skabroud, Jessica Wiles, Darrel Doughty, Julie VanDoorn, Charmaine Riddle and Lyle Liefkring.

PRESENT FROM THE PUBLIC: Tammy Loomis, Shana Swanson
Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Jessica, seconded by Darrell to approve June 20, 2021 minutes.
Motion carried.

REVIEW AP REPORT: Charmaine presented AP Report and Jr. Fair Budget.
Total donations are \$9,465.13 over the budgeted amount for 2021.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

UWEX: None

FAIR COORDINATOR WAGE:

Discussion on Fair Coordinator Wage. The Committee had spoke about the wage increase in a past meeting but never approved the increase.

Motion by Connie, seconded by Judy to increase the Fair Coordinator wage to \$1.00 per hour and backdate back to January 1, 2021. Motion carried. Jessica abstained.

FAIR COORDINATOR/INTERN REPORT: Brooke reported on the following:

- The 1st Superintendent Training is done.
- Entry Tags are done.
- Last order for Banners will be on Friday July 30th.
- Signs for gates are ordered.
- Gate people needed.
- Advertising
- Tickets for Rodeo.
- Dirt Dash moved from the beginning of the Rodeo to the middle of the performance. Brooke asked about tickets for the workers for the Dirt Dash.

Motion by Jessica, seconded by Judy to give 3 Rodeo tickets for Friday and 2 Rodeo tickets for Saturday to Ladysmith Federal to work the event. Motion carried.

- Discussion on Vendor Displays fees
- Talked about AM Vets selling food in the stands during the Rodeo.

Motion by Scott, seconded by Julie to allow AM Vets to sell sandwiches in the stands during the Rodeo.
Discussion held. Motion voted down by voice vote.

TOM THORSON - MAINTENANCE:

Tom attended the meeting to talk about Event needs for the Fair/Rodeo. He informed the Committee he will be short a person during the Fair.

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TRUCK TRACTOR PULL REPORT:

Charmaine reported the totals for the Pull:

- Revenue \$20,623.00
- Expenses \$10,822.89
- Profit \$9,800.11

Shana informed the Committee of leftover food (buns, French fries).

Motion by Jess, seconded by Judy to donate left over food to AM Vets. Motion carried.

RODEO:

Jessica informed the Committee of the following:

- \$37,600.00 dues does not include paying the Judges and we need 3 hotel rooms for Friday and Saturday.
- Dirt Dash is part of the entertainment so Davey Kim will do the announcing.
- Marty would like 2-3 tractors.
- Barnes Semi-Trailer location for advertisement.
- Marty would like the get a press release out the week of the Rodeo.
- Sheldon Fire will mist the Arena before the Rodeo performance.
- Bleachers will be cleaned by Maintenance.
- Sound System will need a scissor lift for #800 lb. speakers.
- Advertising discussed.

Motion by Jessica, seconded by Julie to advertise with Rusk County Transit on the side and back for \$45.00 per week for the Fair/Rodeo. Motion carried

Motion by Connie, seconded by Scott to allow Jessica deal with Lampert Lumber for Advertising with WLDY Rodeo for the Fair/Rodeo. Motion carried.

Motion by Judy, seconded by Jessica to approve Brooke to advertise the Ladysmith News/Ladysmith Shopper for the Fair/Rodeo. Motion carried.

EVENT NEEDS:

Continued discussion for Event needs with Tom Thorson from Maintenance.

SPONSORSHIPS:

Jessica has requested leaving up Bucking Gate Sponsors for Friday and Saturday.

Motion by Jessica, seconded by Judy to approve leaving Bucking Gate Sponsors up for both Rodeo nights. Motion carried.

Jessica would like everyone to reach out and contact sponsors one last time.

GATE DAYS AND HOURS:

Charmaine displayed Gate needs and volunteers needed.

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BANDS:

Band schedule was discussed.

ANY OTHER NEEDS:

- ATV/Golf Cart needs

Next meeting is Sunday August 1, 2021 at 6:00 at the Fairgrounds

Motion by Connie, seconded by Colton to adjourn meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.