

THURSTON COUNTY FAIR BOARD
September 7, 2022 @ 7:00 pm
MEETING MINUTES

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Meeting was called to order by President Kathie McWaid at 7:00pm.

Fair Board members present: Kathie McWaid, Paul Longwell, Kya Ramirez, Larry Stamp, Don Wadsen, Peggy Zimmerman, and Heidi Thomsen.

Excused: Theresa Reid, and Mike Rendon.

Unexcused: Jedidiah Haney

Guests: Commissioner Gary Edwards, Lynette Hunter, Miriam Edwards, and Larry Mahan.

2. APPROVE MINUTES OF: July 6, 2022 -

Motion by Peggy and seconded by Don to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

3. CORRESPONDENCE: letter from Kathleen Jantz-Koprivnik. See attached.

Lynette Hunter and Miriam Edwards explained their interactions with Ms. Jantz-Koprivnik. There were some discrepancies in how the rules of the Home Arts Department could be read. Ms. Jantz-Koprivnik was not satisfied with the way the judge judged home arts entries. Ms. Hunter and Ms. Edwards indicated that the judges are trained through WSU and that we put our trust in the hired judges.

Ms. Hunter and Ms. Edwards will be looking at ways to clarify the rules and making sure that everything is succinct.

The Fair Board will respond to Ms. Jantz-Koprivnik's concerns and will advise her that the Home Arts Department will be working to clarify the rules.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. Agriculture – No meeting. No one was available

b. Promotion – Didn't meet but did attend the Rainier parade. Will meet in September.

c. Facilities/Safety – No meeting

d. Scrapbook/History – Committee members are meeting monthly and making major progress.

e. Commercial – No report

f. Still Life – No report

g. Entertainment – No report

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Other old business – Kathie requested that board members log their volunteer hours. Status of replacing the Willuweit pavilion – Theresa wasn't in attendance to provide an update. Kathie confirmed that the building will not be replaced by next fair so there will

be tents. Kathie also added that we won't know until early next year if we are staying with similar fair dates or moving back to the old timeframe.

Fair Convention – October 20th-22nd in Pasco. Contact Theresa if interested in going and registering for the event.

Commissioner Edwards suggested putting information on Next Door for recruiting Fair Board members and notifying people of the fair.

b. Recruiting new Fair Board Members - Trying to recruit new Fair Board members. Larry Mahan indicated that he was interested in being on the board and will get his application submitted.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Good, Bad and Ugly – Kathie suggested that different committees address each of the issues listed in the bad and the ugly and also described what the good/bad/ugly list was.

b. Fair Commissioner Report – tabled as Theresa wasn't at the meeting.

c. Appointment of new Fair Board Vice President – Peggy made a motion to retain Jedidiah Haney on the board but relieve him of the vice president duties to attend to family matters. Don seconded. Motion carried.

Peggy made a motion to appoint Kya Ramirez as the vice president. Don seconded. Motion carried.

d. Committee Assignments – Kathie read the duties/purpose of each committee and asked for board members to sign up for committees.

7. FAIR FOUNDATION REPORT – plants were donated by the Master Gardeners and lots of watering being done.

a. Secondhand Safari -Garage Sale – October 21st and 22nd. Applications are on the website.

8. EVENT COORDINATOR REPORT: – tabled as Theresa wasn't at the meeting. Adjourned at 7:37pm.

Next Fair Board meeting October 5, 2022