

THURSTON COUNTY FAIR BOARD
January 4, 2023 @ 7:00 pm
MEETING MINUTES

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Meeting was called to order by Kathie McWaid at 7:06 pm.

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

Excused: Theresa Reid, Larry Stamp

Unexcused: Jedidiah Haney, Larry Mahan

Guests: Commissioner Gary Edwards and Ann Shipley.

2. APPROVE MINUTES OF: November 2, 2022

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

3. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. **Agriculture** - Did not meet.

b. **Promotions** – Meeting held at the end of November. Yelm parade was cancelled. Banner updates – actual dates of the fair will be on the banner: July 26-30th. Peggy went over when the games will be at the fair. Peggy also talked about the Ag displays. Ag display related to bees will be at the fair.

c. **Facilities/Safety** – Did not meet.

d. **Scrapbook/History** - Did not meet.

e. **Commercial** - Did not meet.

f. **Still Life** - Did not meet.

g. **Entertainment** - Did not meet.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. **Other old business** -

b. **Recruiting new Fair Board Members** – still trying to recruit new fair board members

c. **New Fair dates** – July 26th-30th

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Welcome new Board member – Larry Mahan.** Not done as he was not present.

b. **Home arts department** – members concerned about Heritage Hall being too hot. Fair staff will do the best they can to address this issue.

c. **Bid goes out on Monday to tear down the Willuweit Pavilion.**

d. **Electric charging stations at the fair** – trying to get these at the fairgrounds.

e. **Social gathering** – January 15th at 2:00pm at Kathie's house. Kathie will send out an email. Bring socks. Food provided.

f. **Mike Rendon** removing himself from Commercial and Entertainment committees. He will email Theresa on this.

7. FAIR FOUNDATION REPORT

- a. **Did not meet in December. Foundation received \$3,000 from the Nisqually Tribe.** This will be used to redo the gazebo. Foundation will send them a thank you note. Fair information booth is starting to be disassembled.

8. EVENT COORDINATOR REPORT: Theresa Reid – not present, therefore no report.

Adjourned at 7:33pm.

Next Fair Board Meeting: February 1, 2023