

Santa Fe County Fair Board Meeting Minutes January 8, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Newsted at 6:15 p.m.

Board Members Present: Monica Lury, Jimmy Butler, Eric Sanchez, Tim Newsted and Beth Gray

Association Present: Justin Poff, Pete Bertrand, Deeann Bertrand, Shannon Poff, Mari Lents, Kelly Jones

Guests: Charlene Gallegos, Jana Gallegos, Alejandro Lopez and Julian Lopez

County Staff Present: Laura Hernandez, Celeste Sanchez

Extension Staff Present: Tom Dominguez, Michelle Stizza and Kylie Butterfield.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Eric and seconded by Monica to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

A Motion was made by Monica to correct date of the November 15, 2023 minutes, to move Janet Reese from the Association Present list to the Board Members Present list and to add Karen Paige to the list of the Board Members Present list and seconded by Eric to approve the meeting minutes for November 15, 2023 with changes. Motion passed.

Staff Reports

- A. County Staff – No Report

- B. Extension Office – Kylie stated she received a letter of apology and forwarded it to Tim. Tom stated the extension staff is working hard and to reach out if they can help with anything.

Committee Reports

- A. Horse Show – Judge is Kacee Patterson
- B. Awards and Buckles – working on quotes and will get name of person from Nichole Tucker on who she has purchased plaques from in the past for other events.
- C. Livestock – No report.
- D. Small Animal – Committee is going to get together to discuss judges. Bernalillo County is holding a small animal clinic on May 18, 2024.
- E. Indoor – No report.
- F. PR – No report.
- G. Entertainment – No report.

- H. Vendors – Justin spoke with Collin James at 4 Rivers and he will bring things for the public to do. Eric said contracts need to be revised by the County. Tom said Northern New Mexico Horseman’s wants to come back and do something at fair. A discussion was had about getting the state 4-H shooting sports trailer for fair as something else for the public/4-H kids to do. Justin is going to look into the Game and Fish shooting trailer to see if they can bring it and man it for fair. Tim and Eric are going to look into the possibility of having a car show incorporated with Family Fun Day.

Old Business

All apology letters have been received.

New Business

- A. Fair book changes thank you notes. Discussion was had on how to change the language of the thank you notes (Page 47, #20 under sale rules). The new language will read: All thank you notes to buyers as well as add on donors and ward donors will be turned in at either the Santa Fe county extension stamped and read to be mailed prior of November 1st of the same year or arrangements can be made with a fairboard member. These will be verified by the fair board for compliance that none are missing. A fair board member will facilitate mailing after the exhibitor has been ruled in compliance or given back to the exhibitor to hand deliver if that is desired. Any Exhibitor that has not complied will not receive the sale check until they are in compliance. If it is not completed by November 1st you are subject to be suspended for one year at the decision of the fair board. Jimmy made a motion that the above language be accepted, Eric seconded. Motion Passed.
- B. Fair book changes sale ring cake. A discussion was had on the language for the sale ring cake rules (Page 41 last sentence), the new language will read as follows: The 4-H member who receives the highest-placed cake will be required to prepare another from the same recipe for the sale on Friday (date of sale), and appear in the sale ring with his/her entry; (page 46, #2 under sale rules) the new language will read: Exhibitors may sell a total of two (2) animals of different species. Sale ring cake will be required to sell as one of the two animals. Jimmy made a motion to that the language for both sections be accepted, Monica seconded. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

No public comment

Monica moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm, seconded by Jimmy. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Monica Lury, Fairboard Member