Judith Basin County Fairboard Minutes

10-30-23

Call to Order 5:35 pm by Chairman Janet Wertheimer, also present were Kallie Probert, Brenda McCray, Powell Becker, Dawnita Sampsel, Billi Jo Holzer, Sigrid Deegan, Don & Deb Hajenga, and Katie Hatlelid.

Minutes were approved as presented

Treasurer's report was not available

No announcements or public comment

Old Business

Fair recap

- Schedule – changes for next year, small animal show will be Friday afternoon, and sheep/goats will run following the swine show in the morning. Judging will be Thursday night with a meal provided by the Stanford Scramblers
- Packing/loadout – paint worked great, a ramp was built for loading pigs, and all worked very well.
- Auctioneer/sale – Kyle and Jeff did a good job, they'll come again next year
- Carcass contest- ultrasound worked well, may tweak the timing for beef kids next year, Dawnita will be the contact for finding ultrasound judge.
- Wood shavings – there were no bagged shavings provided by the board this year, but it didn't seem to be an issue.
- Steer weights – in order to stay more in line with the industry standard, the board would like to change the min/max weights. Powell moved (Sigrid) to make the min/max weights for steers 1000 lbs and 1600 lbs respectively. Motion passed.

Fairgrounds Improvements

- Arena etc. – pretty much done, the return alley and permanent bleachers are in the process of being fundraised for now, and the exterior fencing will be done next year.
- Existing continuous fence project – under the pavilion, materials are there, Wade Mikkelson might be interested in helping assemble it.
- Exhibit hall shelving / displays – the shelving and display boards worked well, make sure to put everything back where it was prior to use.
- Bathroom water shutoff – did not get fixed this year. Hopefully next year.

Dedication – bring ideas for the dedication in January

New Business

Fair dates for 2025 – the board is interested in moving the fair dates for the 2025 fair. More discussion to come

Next meeting date – January 22 5:30 pm

Meeting adjourned 6:30 pm