

FAIRBOARD MEETING

JULY 5, 2000

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

Nellie moved, Chuck seconded, that we accept the minutes of last meeting as handed out. Passed unanimously.

The big refrigerator is fixed. We have received a bill for \$100 from Community Connections-plus the \$75 for upright freezer.

Several 4H Leaders are here. Eddie Miquez is the livestock chairman. He came to talk about doing something different with the beef part of the show. It has been brought up to show and tie the beef animals outside. He is wondering who's in charge, and who has to decide whether or not to do this. The question was also raised as to having the beef show in the evening.

Several things have to be considered:

- Sand as opposed to chips for bedding.
- Families with kids in two places at once.
- Safety - are low panels safe?
- Moving steers long distances not enough prep time before fair
- Weather - Heat
- Bleachers - enough or not
- Where would the ring go?
- Can we wait until next year to make changes?

Gina Perkins brought up the sale dinner. The decision has been made to have lunch instead of dinner. A caterer has been contacted. What has been proposed is a grilled chicken lunch, which would have to be cooked outdoors. This could be done out front, and the food served indoors. Chicken has been proposed because of cost. [Fred thinks there will be lots of complaints].

None of the beef stuff has been brought up in front of the Leader's Association. [Gina decided to jump the Fairboard over "attitude", because Allen Hack, who is not on the board, felt that it was a little late to bring this up].

Task Force recommendations were brought up regarding cleaning up the fairgrounds, etc.
Some people think we should change our fair dates to coincide with miners jubilee or shrine game.

Eddie Miquez will work on getting people committed to do the work to put a show ring outside for the beef. He feels that if people won't commit, and do the job, it isn't going to happen.

The question was raised as to what our time frame is for our new building. The timing is dependent on the Armory Siting Task Force.

Mr. Brinton feels that the Fairboard should not give up any ground on Campbell Street.

There was a lot of discussion about how to improve the Fair.

Bonnie White was here to talk about helping with this years' Fair. Curt and Annette have talked to her about it. She has run the Canyon County Fair in Idaho, so she knows how a fair works. She has been in on some big

improvements in Canyon County. They hired a marketing person who got a percentage of what he brought in instead of a salary.

Jim Van Duyn, Fred, John & Paul looked over the Community Center to see what can or should be done with it. Jim thinks the show area will be gone, but things can be done with the floor area to make it more useful.

We need to do some advertising for the Fair. We probably won't be doing anything on the radio, but will be buying newspaper space. A flyer type insert in the paper might be a good idea.

Paul says we have a problem with the sheep barn. Part of the roof is falling in, He thinks the roof joists are parting company. It looks like it's going to take a jack to push it back up.

Chuck moved, Fred seconded, that we pay the bills. Passed unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM. There will not be a regular meeting in August because of the Fair.

Submitted by

Chuck Buchanan, Secretary
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