

BAKER COUNTY FAIR BOARD
Minutes of April 6, 2005
Board Meeting

Members Present: Chair Ron Rowan, Vice Chair Dean Defrees, Mark Johnson, Rob Ellingson, Bob Borgen, Andy Barr

Members Not Present: Ann Kniesel

Advisory Board Members Present: Dan Peters, Janice Cowan, Mary Ellen Anderson

AB Members Not Present: none

Others in Attendance: Andi Sexton (staff), Commissioner Dr. Carl Stiff, Commission Chair Fred Warner, Jr., Wayne Lewis (at 7pm), Catie Owens (staff)

The Meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm by Chairman Ron Rowan

The meeting was started with a presentation by Catie Owens to give an overview of the May 30 Jackpot steer & heifer show. Catie reported that the judge is donating his time and is known for being great with kids. There was some discussion regarding the need for blocking chutes under tents if space is not available under the livestock barns. Needs list: Clerks, health check, someone to work the ring, caller, announcer, ecoli signs, morning concessions, afternoon concessions and BBQ organizer. Parking signs will need to be put up to direct traffic to the rodeo grounds and 5-acre field. The board commented on how well Catie is doing and their excitement about this opportunity for kids in Eastern Oregon.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Dean Defrees and 2nd by Rob Ellingson to accept the March minutes with one edit – to change the wording under the Fair 2005 heading from 'feedback when made announcement' to 'feedback when the announcement was made'. Motion passed with all in favor.

Financial Reports:

A motion was made by Rob Ellingson and 2nd by Dean Defrees to approve the bills as submitted. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

National Guard/Old Armory Issues: Mark reported the following: Still appear to be miscommunications between the OMD and Fair Board in terms of construction and plans. The corner by the rodeo grounds has been landscaped, and Denny Taylor told Mark it would not be landscaped. The cyclone fence has been removed – fair board will be paying the \$200 fee to remove it. Old Armory Project: The architectural drawings are coming along. Work will be presented in components and stages. We will review the entire process at once. The construction specs will go to bid – a minimum of 3 contacts. Asbestos: Survey was done April 4th – results should be back in week or two. We could probably remove the false wall on the drill floor at the east end as soon as possible – first of May.

Shrine Business: Wayne Lewis was in attendance and shared the results of the all kids rodeo that was the day before Easter in the Show Barn. 75 youngsters were in

Andi Sexton, Fair Grounds Manager