Baker County Fair Board

November 14, 2017

Board Meeting

Members Present: Ron Rowan, Cliff Schoeningh, Dean Defrees, Christina Smith, Michelle Kaseberg, Ann

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Members Absent: Mark Johnson

Advisory Board Present:

Advisory Board Not Present: Terri Siddoway, Bob Parker, Rob Ellingson

Staff Present: Angie Turner

Staff not present:

Guests:

Ron Rowan called the meeting to order at 6:12 pm

Public Comment Period: none

MINUTES: The minutes from October 17, 2017 were reviewed, need to add dollar signs where they are needed, with that change Dean made a motion that the minutes be approved, Ann seconded the motion and the motion passed.

FINANCIALS: The financials for October were reviewed, Dean made a motion to approve the financials and Christina seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Correspondence:

Activity Summary-

OLD BUSINESS:

Fence/Sidewalk-Rob was not present. Ann mentioned that we have a \$1000.00 from Friends of Fair for the fence, so the total for purchasing wood is \$8000.00

OFA Convention Update-Angie reported that convention went well. There was some great keynote speakers, good classed to attend. Angie mentioned that a lot of the fair have gone to giving cash for their premium money. With some discussion the board chose not to go that route due to accountability and being able to trace cash. Angie reported the convention will be moving back to January in Salem for 2019. Angie reported that some ideas for open class were Pinterest competitions. Angie is still working with Ryder Brothers on sponsoring the Lego competition. The board suggested having a Dutch oven cook off, maybe partnering with the Interpretive Center.

Christmas Party Schedule-Angie reported that The Little Pig was not able to host our Christmas party, so Angie suggested the Haines Steak House, with a brief discussion we all agreed on that would work.

New Business:

Fair Update-Angie & Rochelle explained that we are loosing money by have the book designed and ads sold out of the office. With some thought we approached the board about bringing the sale of ads and design of book back in house. We think Steve Adams can help with the sales and possibly design. Dean made a motion to bring book back in house and Michelle seconded and the motion passed. Rochelle briefly went of schedule and the change of the auction moving from a Saturday to Friday evening. Angie Reported that we have a carnival and the Demo Derby is still on Saturday and there will be a Tractor Pull

on Thursday evening. Some advertising and promotion ideas that come up were a billboard on the freeway, and banner across Main Street during fair or during a big event.

Interest in 351 Account-Angle approached the board about using the interest in the 351 construction account for other things in the 251 account and the voted no on the idea, interest accrued needs to stay in the 351 account.

Baker County Fairgrounds Fee Schedule-Angie gave the board a copy of our fee schedule for the fairgrounds for updates and changes due by December 1st. The board made some changes, increasing Event Center Rental \$50, increasing cleaning / damage deposit on Cockram Arena to \$300, changing alcohol fee, less than 100 people it would be \$100 and more that 101 people it would be \$200. Deleting the Dance Floor and add Stage.

Activity Summary/Next Month:

1. Hire Maintenance Person-Angle is working on setting up interviews with the two applicants. Board suggested that Behlin or the Road Department might have forklift certification classes.

Ajourn-8:20 pm

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OTHER: none

The next Fair Board meeting will be January 9, 2017 at the Baker County Conference & Event Center.

Angie Turner