

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

GILA COUNTY FAIR COMMITTEE

Monday November, 25 2019

Gila County Courthouse Board of Supervisors Room

1400 E Ash St Globe

1. Call to Order: 6:30 pm

2. Roll Call: Board members present: Janet Cline, Wendy Hunsaker, Hannah McDaniel, Jeanne Polenz, Jacque Sanders, Julie Hazen & Maegan Dixon

Visitors: Justen Ollendick

APPROVAL of Minutes: No meeting minutes

*****PLEASE NOTE*****

This meeting was a “special” board meeting. This meeting is not in its normal format.

AFA convention was held in Laughlin, NV on November 18th through the 20th attendant by Janet, Jacque and Hannah.

Humane Society of the US was discussed at the convention this organization is trying to ban 4-H and FFA because of the inhumane ways that animals are kept and disposed of. An organization is trying to keep the US Humane Society from doing this action.

AZ fair dates came out. Another Fair has booked the usual dates of the Gila County Fair September, 17th to the 20th 2020. So, it would be a conflict for the carnival to come that weekend on the date of our Fair. We will have to move the Fair dates: 24th through the 27th, 2020 if we stay on our usual date we won't have a carnival, sound or vendors .Julie made the motion to move the fair dates to September 24th through September 27th, 2020 Maegan second, all board members voted unanimously.

Because of the date conflict the pirate parrot show will be at another County Fair for next year.

Also discussion of opening the fair on Wednesday for the events with no gate, no Carnival and no vendors. But need to post on website to do the date change first.

Ride Hard entertainment brings Longhorn Steers for educational purposes. They will do mutton busting with their own Arena, does have their own roping and we get the entries monies. The cost is \$2,000 a day. They will bring his own buckles and trophies. Julie made the motion to have Ride Hard entertainment for the weekend of the fair. Maegan, second all board members voted unanimously.

BMX bike owner came to conventions as well discussion of bringing BMX back to next year's Fair. Julie motion, Maegan second, all board members voted unanimously.

Also, having a lower stage just for the main entertainment and not the upper race track. It seems like it was a waste of time and energy for people last year.

Discussion of bringing Fear Factor back.

Hannah attended a special vendor round table at the convention. Specialty items such as lemonade, ice cream, etc. should not be overloaded at the fair there should be one vendor with a specialty item that can advertise the other vendors can have that specialty item but cannot advertise that item.

New vendor contracts will be made 2020. We will accept the contract and we will let the vendor know by email or phone if they are accepted and input all the information into computer instead of all being on paper. Also, discussion of taking a cash deposit at the beginning of the fair and not giving it back to the vendor till the end of fair so that they will stay in their position or their area till the end of fair. Discussion of charging a percentage of the profits made by the vendors.

Discussion of rodeo to have a truck to win instead of a trailer maybe having the rodeo at different time of year because of the parking issues it would bring too many people out to the fair at one time.

Discussion of entries should be done online and not all done on paper and then inputted in the computer it would take less time and there would be somebody to show people how to do online.

Discussion of the board being the same and having a specific persons be trained for next fair we also discussed: Meagan being entertainment / Vice-chair. Because she did a great job at fair. Wendy being the secretary / treasurer. Kathy Ollendick as accountant. Janet and Jacque will train someone to take their positions for 2021 Fair. All By-laws would have to be re wrote and also voted on.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE:

13. DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

14. ADJOURNMENT: 8:28 pm