

**MINUTES FROM THE YAMHILL COUNTY FAIRBOARD**  
**monthly meeting held in the Rodeo Show Office at the YC Fairgrounds**  
**at 6:30 PM, April 13, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 PM by Chairman Gary Wertz. In further attendance were board members Don Parrish, John Kemper, Leslie Lewis and April Courtney. Also in attendance were fair manager Al Westhoff, office manager Lana Drew and Commissioner Stan Primozych. Portland Karting Association was represented by Paul Smark and Mark Reece. Members of the Zero Waste project attended and updated the board on their 10 yr. community plan. Management suggested a conversation with maintenance supervisor Dwight Demmin for a clearer picture of past fair week procedures in regard to garbage, collections, etc.

**FEBRUARY MINUTES**

Don Parrish moved to approve the minutes with the correction; April Courtney seconded and the motion carried.

**REPORTS**

**PKA**

They are currently looking for a new food vendor to run their snack shack. Plans are underway for their night race in September.

**Yamhill County Counsel**

Christian Boenisch updated the board on the status of the contract with the Yamhill County Master Gardeners for their annual plant sale. The YCMGA have inadvertently let their state registration expire which enables them to enter into contract with YCFG. This year the YCFG will sponsor the event with their vendors contracting and additionally insuring with YCFG per the approval of the county insurance carrier. Christian is continuing to work with the YCMGA so that this may be corrected well before next year's event.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Leslie Lewis presented the StateYam and the Cash Flow reports; Lana Drew presented the Accounts Receivable report. Lana reported that there has still not been a payment from the delinquent past boarder who left their saddle as security for the debt. The board instructed to proceed with action to get approval to sell the saddle with the proceeds applied to the outstanding balance. The saddle was appraised and is not expected to bring in more that \$400.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Grant Pease began last weekend and is continuing to get training.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was discussion about the proposal of a new building where the current Lucas barn and manufactured home currently sit. Greg Wildhaber from the YC Livestock Association Youth Auction Committee presented a written proposal for the structure. The topic will be re-visited in the future.

## **OPERATIONS REPORTS**

**Ambassador's program** – Leslie reported that all the applicants were very good and the panel had a hard decision. They encouraged the juniors that had applied to re-apply next year. The chosen applicants are Erin Rush, Samantha Roff and Courtney Croft. Clothes have been picked out and Scott Carl Photography will once again donate their time and talent for the photos which will be used in their presentations to civic groups and fair advertising as well as a press release.

**Manager's Report-**

**Rules for public ride time** - There was discussion regarding the rules during open ride time. Both carters and gamers have requested they be allowed to do their activities during open ride time or that they be offered a time of their own. The FB confirmed the current rules stating that public ride is for riding, not carting, not gaming. Mounted riders only are permitted in the indoor arena and grounds work may be done in the outdoor arena only. The FB further stated that it is not cost effective to have other users have their own time due to the need to have the arena footing worked before and after carting and gaming. Currently both 4-H and OHSET groups are getting the arena for a substantial discount so further special offerings cannot be considered.

**Pacific Overland Expo** – Everything is in full swing for this first and hopefully annual event.

**Oregon Meat Goat Producers** – Their fall event was a great success so they are having their spring event here and looking to keep both of those annual events here.

**Grease Trap in Arena Kitchen** - The grease trap will cost \$385 and management suggests moving forward with the replacement. The FB unanimously agreed.

**2016 Fair** – KLYC will be back this year broadcasting live. We will have a new food concessioner offering Mexican food which is expected to be a great addition with all our returning concessioners along with the Donut vendor and Dutch Bros. Vendor spaces are already full.

**User Surveys** – Surveys were handed out for the boards review. We received all good reports.

**Rodeo Committee** –

The committee is working on an emergency plan for the rodeo arena. The fence will be started soon, weather permitting. Chute panels will be coming back and will need to be cleaned, etc.

**Youth Organizations** –

Swine weigh-in will be the 23<sup>rd</sup> as will the FFA Drive a Ford event which is also the weekend of the Master Gardeners plant sale and the OMGP show.

Seeing there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted by Lana Drew