

**Wyoming Association of Fairs
Annual Meeting
September 29, 2023
Cheyenne, WY**

President Nicholle Watkins called the meeting to order at 10:58 a.m.

Roll call of 11 fairs and 2 service members.

Liz Edwards, interim secretary, read the minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting. Pat moved to accept the minutes—Taylor 2nd. Motion carried.

Treasure Report as follows:

Beginning Balance	Wells Fargo Checking		\$9,678.86
	WAF Scholarship Savings	\$4,018.40	
	BJH Scholarship Savings	\$2,911.16	
	Total Scholarship		\$6,929.56
	TOTAL 9/23/2022		\$16,608.42
Receipts	2022 Convention Registration	\$340.94	
	2023 Membership Dues	\$4,167.60	
	2023 Convention Registration	\$2,766.47	
	WAF Scholarship Reimbursement	\$1,000.00	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$8,275.01
Expenditures	2022 Convention Expenses	\$623.56	
	2022 RMAF	\$351.99	
	Laptop	\$643.49	
	WAF Scholarships	\$1,000.00	
	2023 RMAF Registration	\$275.00	
	2023 IAFE Registration	\$419.00	
	2023 Security Bond	\$126.00	
	IAFE Membership	\$165.00	
	Spring Managers Meeting	\$196.85	
	Weebly Website	\$177.90	
	WY SOS - Annual Report	\$27.00	

	Office Expenses: quicken/postage	\$82.05	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$4,087.84
			\$20,795.59
Ending Balance	Wells Fargo Checking		\$13,866.03
	WAF Scholarship Savings	\$3,022.95	
	BJH Scholarship Savings	\$3,865.23	
	Total Scholarship		\$6,888.18
	TOTAL 9/25/2023		\$20,754.21

Rachelle Saxton gave the yearly Executive Secretary report.

Old Business:

1. Committee Reports.

- a. Bylaws - Courtney Conkle gave the report. The committee evaluated the existing Bylaws and addressed potential proposed changes. They proposed not to vote on them at this time and to make sure the Bylaws are something that the association is really confident in and to give them the time to evaluate and put in viable information. We want this association to be here for the longevity.
- b. Scholarship - Taylor Haley gave the report. There were 13 applicants. A few were for trade schools, which was added to the application last year. For those who did not receive a scholarship, it was asked that they be sent an application to apply again. If the new logo is adopted, they ask for it to be added to the application. The committee discussion turned to recruitment and retention for service members and fairs. They felt that was valuable in our association.
- c. Bobbi Jo Heald Scholarship (BJH) - Brianne Brower gave the report. There is approximately \$3800 in the account. They feel confident with this amount. After the raffle, which totaled \$1260, they would like to donate \$1,000 to the Wyoming State Fair Endowment and keep the remaining \$260 for the BJH scholarship. Terry from Marquis Awards wanted to donate a plaque, Pat Hart will reach out to Terry for a timeline to accomplish this and specific wording.
- d. Logo - The proposed logo was put on the tri-folds for this year's convention. Monica Munoz was the designer and considered what WAF represents. The committee would like to make some minor adjustments.

2. Scholarship Applications and Recipients.

- a. Rachelle mentioned the WAF Scholarships in the Executive Secretary Report. President Nicholle Watkins requested the scholarship application be electronic to attract more applicants. It is a great idea but needs some fine-tuning. Rachelle said she would work on that.

New Business

1. Bylaws - Proposed changes were emailed out two weeks before the annual meeting. Larry moved to defer the discussion and voting of the Bylaws to the next annual convention in 2024. Courtney 2nd. Discussion: the current Bylaws are still in effect. Motion passed.
2. Executive Secretary Convention approval. Pat proposed that Rachelle Saxton attend both RMAF and IAFE. Taylor 2nd. No discussion. Motion passed.
3. Voting Secretary - The secretary position became vacant in the middle of the year. Officers replaced the secretary with Liz Edwards, acting as interim secretary. It was proposed to ratify Liz as secretary for the remaining term until 2024. Jenny motioned. Julie 2nd. Motion passed.
4. Nominations and Voting Treasurer - Jenny from the Nominating Committee recommended Niki Hensley as treasurer—no other nomination. Pat 2nd. Motion passed.
5. Larry moved to retain WAF Officers Nicholle Watkins as president and Brianna Bower as vice president until 2024. Billy 2nd. Motion passed.
6. Pat moved to approve the logo as presented. 2nd Courtney. Discussion: The new logo will be put on apparel. Amendment: to give the final decision on the logo back to the logo committee. Courtney motioned. Jenny 2nd. Motion passed.
7. Pat asked the association to put something in Nancy Pitts's, the RMAF Executive Secretary, going away basket. Taylor motioned that the association purchase something in the amount of \$50 and leave discretion up to Pat to purchase for Nancy Pitts's retirement basket. Liz 2nd. Motion passed.
8. Dan suggested increasing revenue at the next convention by having some sort of tournament, such as a cornhole tournament or mini-golf.

Next Meetings

1. The Spring Managers Meeting will be held in Fremont County, Riverton, WY, tentatively on March 20, 2024.
2. The Fall Convention will be held in Sheridan County, Sheridan, WY, September 25-27, 2024.

President Nicholle Watkins adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachelle Saxton
Executive Secretary