

WAF – Spring Annual Meeting –Official Meeting

April 12, 2018

Riverton, WY

Jeff Ketcham, James Goodrich, Ron & Donna Dalin, Rachelle Saxton, Ami Barker, Steve True, Roni Vollman, Connie Werner, Teecee Barrett, Audra Jewell, Larry Milborn, Bobbi Jo Heald, Criss Neiman, Vicki Rupert

Laramie Co, WSF, Double D Livestock, Uinta Co, WY Livestock Board, Converse, Park Co, Campbell Co Fairs

Bobbie called meeting to order. Roll call, 6 county Fairs and 1 service member

Bill Henderson, Rep from Laramie Co, was put on speaker phone, regarding the WY State Fair Endowment. Designed to support the operation of state fair, through the WY State Treasurer. \$100,000 and matched. Donations matched, 35% to grow, 25% goes to WSF (enterprise fund) - take donations, non-profits, Derek Grant will have the information, Department of Ag. WSF – Memo – WSF Endowment, Drawer 10, Douglas, WY. We asked if it was tax deductible, he will send out an email to let us know. Any questions about fairs please let him know, he would help. Jeff complimented Bill for his work towards this project.

Steve True, WY Livestock Board

Steve had the counties fill out an questionnaire, referencing Vet Checks and health inspections, Brand inspections, peripheral events, rodeos, ranch rodeo (do you check in that livestock)

Sales, fairs, and peripheral events (all different) – biosecurity – in case of quarantine. (EHV1)

Nothing active now in WY, last was out of quarantine.

- Have local vets do walk through, the state has biosecurity program and he presented the info to us.
- Do you have a plan in place?
- Conversation WY needs to have exhibitor permits, just talk,
- WY needs to set a line, what protects you, promoters and exhibitors.
- May 15, next Livestock board meeting in Riverton, requested maybe some Fair people attend.
- Joint Ag meeting in June, would like fair people there also.
- Fairs can make own rules on health
- New strain of Rabies in Horses, don't put your hand down the throats of horses or you will get rabies.
- Equine Passport? Still in the works, nothing set
- Barrel Racing in WY and Cutting horses in SD are the most concerning
- PRCA has a short version form for Frontier Days,
- Write Steve some notes and let him know how it works for you
- Can you protect your Fair
- Overnight guests with horses, stop overs, lock all barns but 1, it limits where they are. Also behind the chutes, corrals disinfect regularly.
- Handed out Equine Herpes Virus: Prevention tips for exhibitors & Event managers
- Something on contract saying to have a vet check for rodeos during off season of fair?
- Name a public information officer, so they will know all the permits for the animals

Lunch Break

Criss read minutes of last minutes with approved corrections. Barney accept minutes as corrected, Ami Barker 2nd, motion passed. Criss gave treasurers report, Ami moved to approve, Teecee 2nd, motion carried.

Old Business:

Motion about the directive “ ***It was moved by Barney and seconded by Sheila that WAF draft a directive that all county fair youth livestock show participants be required to live within the county where they are showing - including going to school in-county, and accepting mail at an in-county address, motion carried.***”

Larry reported about what Laramie County Attorney, fairs are not allowed to govern over 4-H and FFA. Campbell County has a Youth sale, not 4-H or FFA, the sale committee sets the rules.

4-H in good standing can show/sale anywhere in state, but they have to belong to a club and show in that county, FFA chapter only show/sale in their county.

Ami moved amend motion. ***“WAF provide a recommendation that county fair youth livestock show participants be required to live within the county where they are showing - including going to school in-county, and accepting mail at an in-county address “*** Donna 2nd, discussion was held, motion carried. The WAF will send this out state wide.

Larry moved to have a Best costume category division, prize 3 divisions, co-Ed with men's, a suggestion was made of WAF T shirts, with prize allotted of \$180, Donna 2nd, Park County offered to provide the T-Shirts! Thank Park County! Motion passed.

Barney moved WAF work with Vicki's volunteers starting 10 am – completion of \$1 admission goes to the State Fair Endowment, Roni 2nd, motion carried.

Donna moved to up entry fee to \$55 per team, in addition to the gate fee of \$1, Barney 2nd, motion carried. The Pig N Mud Saturday, August 18th, 1 pm, demo derby will be set up, it will be at the south end of arena, and 11 pm will also have arm wrestling. Larry will provide workers.

New Business:

Issue of Betty Hough's passing, set memorial in the future. Need to set a standard for Memorials. Barney WAF \$1000 Memorial legacy fund to be set up by Officer Team, \$100 per death, given to the host fair board to use as deemed beneficial. Donna 2nd, motion carried.

Larry moved to ratify the expenditure \$500 used to support the WVATA on behalf of the WSF, Pat 2nd, motion carried.

WAF will post on Facebook about the Endowment and website.

Annual Meeting will be Evanston, 3, 4th and 5th of October at the Uinta County Fairgrounds.

WAF handed out a list of Overall youth Show awards, and donations needed.

Barney talked about becoming a member of the F.A.I.R. Posse., all their money that they raise goes back to the WSF.

Door prizes were given by Uinta County and Fremont County. James Goodrich gave a WSF Update. Larry gave a report of ground breaking for the Laramie Co Fairground Archer Event Facility.

The Fairs attending informed of us of their updates and happenings.

President Bobbi Jo adorned the meeting at 3:55