Marias Fair Board Meeting March 11, 2024 Ambulance Barn Conference Room

Attendees Present: Miranda Dupree, Janet Hawks, Terry Tomsheck, Casey Nickol, Chad Scarborough, Shiloh Neal, Remington Campbell Guests: Ashley Lampert, Jamie Postma, Shannon McAllister, Stephanie Murphy, Todd Bykonen, Lena Tronsen, Dick Lyman, Luke Holzheimer

Meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM.

Public Comment:

Dick Lyman and Luke Holzheimer presented the information for the Wednesday rodeo event. The rodeo will have six events; a sponsor will create a team for \$1000. There is a limit for the number of teams to be entered, ten total, and the teams will be in a Calcutta for the evening performance, where the top 3 teams will compete. Dick and Luke will be providing the rough stock and pick-up men. The fair board must pay for judges, a clown act, and an announcer.

Todd Bykonen presented on behalf of the Elk's Club to place a bid of \$3500 for the beer gardens and fix up the picnic tables by the beer gardens. Beer and food bids have not been posted, so the request was asked to be placed on hold until the bids open.

The fair board decided to post the beer and food bids as soon as possible and have the bids close on March 29, 2024.

Reviewal and Approval of February Minutes: Chad Scarboroughmotioned to approve the February minutes, and Shannon McAllister seconded the motion; the motion passed

Treasure's Report: The Rodeo Account has \$2,582.13, with a \$1450 check written to the PRCA and \$50 written to the WPRCA. The Premium Account currently has \$10,562.19, with checks written for bands and PO box. A claim of \$500 written for the Open Class computer system was proposed; Shiloh Neal motioned to approve the claim, Chad Scarborough seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Commissioners Report: The Dry Fork Plumbing claim for \$725, the CarQuest claim for \$188.48, and the NAPA claim for \$262.96 were paid out of the Fair County budget. There will be a High School rodeo from April 20-21, 2024.

4-H Report: Janae Roberts is continuing to work on upgrading the wash rack project and has planned to have a report ready for the next meeting.

Old Business:

Wednesday Event- \$14,000 for the fair board to put on with the payouts, entries, and sponsorships. The gate charge will be \$15, making punch tickets available for purchase at stores in the surrounding communities for all gate events. Chad Scarborough made the motion for the Wednesday night event with the above quotes, and Miranda Dupree seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Ashley Lampert presented upgrading the current media package to one that allows credit card processing and allows for easier management of horse stall rentals. The package upgrade costs an additional \$70. Remington Campbell made the motion to approve the additional \$70 upgrade package cost, and Miranda Dupree seconded the motion; the motion passed.

PRCA Contracts—The current contract submitted by John Smith was missing a variety of information, and with the help of the PRCA organization, the errors were fixed and sent off. Due to misinterpretation, WPRCA's original claim was short \$150. Shiloh Neal motioned to send WPRCA the additional \$150, and Casey Nikol seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Microsoft 360 program is being switched to Gmail and Google programs for easier accessibility.

Budget & By-Laws- tabled until the committees can meet

Sponsorships—The option to hang banners on the fences around the arena will cost an additional \$250 and come with a two-year guarantee contract between the sponsor and the fair board. Chad Scarborough made the motion to have the banners hung on the fence for an extra \$250, and a contract will be needed. Miranda Dupree seconded the motion; the motion passed.

The following committees were created: Sponsorships- Shiloh Neal (Chair) and Miranda Dupree Rodeo- Remington Campbell (Chair), Chad Scarborough, Shiloh Neal Entertainment- Janet Hawks (Chair), Miranda Dupree, Blaine Suta Midway- Rachel Brown (Chair), Shannon McAllister, Jamie Postma Business Vendors- Shannon McAllister (Chair), Casey Nikols, Blaine Suta Food and Beverage Vendors- Rachel Brown (Chair), Shannon McAllister, Janet Hawks, Jamie Postma

Official Treasurer- Miranda Dupree Official Secretary- Shiloh Neal

The meeting was called to close at 8:39 PM.