



SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES JULY 25, 2023

The meeting was held at the Madison County Fairgrounds, Twin Bridges, Montana, on July 25, 2023. The meeting came to order at 7:00 pm. Those present were: Dana Escott (Fairgrounds Manager), Jimilea Grose (Fairgrounds Secretary), L.J. Pancost (Chairperson), Mark Hoyt (Board Member), Todd Nelson (Board Member), Jake Barnosky (Vice Chairperson), Kathy Moeykens (Fair Foundation), Kyle Nye (Foundation), Tyler Holland (Novich Insurance), Rodney Braaten (Fair Foundation Board President). Jimilea took the minutes.

Call Meeting to Order:

7:00 pm: Pledge Allegiance

DISCUSSION and/or ACTION ITEMS

1. **Public Discussion and/or Comments on Items Not Listed on the Agenda but Within the Board's Jurisdiction: Communications:** None
2. **Communications:** None
3. **Foundation Projects: Request to move forward with Pavilion/Jeffers Projects:** Todd moved to send the recommendation to the commissioners to move forward with renovating the Pavilion and Jeffers Building by installing bathrooms and kitchens in both buildings. (See attached draft drawing from SMA) in which Foundation had them design. Jake seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried. Further discussion was the foundation is requesting a priority list of projects from the fair board. This will be put on next agenda.
4. **ATM Agreement:** Todd moved to accept the ATM Agreement wherein the fair board will receive \$.25 per transaction while the ATM machine is in the pavilion with no costs to the county for the machine. Mark seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.
5. **Foundation Liaison:** Jake moved to approve Todd and Mark as liaisons to attend foundation meetings. Mark seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried. Only one board member will attend the foundation meetings per the commissioners.
6. **Arena Policy:** Todd moved to change the existing Arena Policy: Number 17:

From:

All horse racing events; i.e. to include barrel racing, pole bending, flag racing, goat tail tying, goat tying, ribbon racing, etc. must enter at the east end of the arena and run with a closed gate.

To:

All horse racing events; i.e. to include barrel racing, pole bending, flag racing, goat tail tying, goat tying, ribbon racing, etc. may enter at the west or east end of the arena depending on the ground condition and run with a closed gate.

7. Fair

- **Vendors:** The consensus of the Board is to allow a variety of vendors to attend the fair.
- **Miscellaneous:** Tyler Holland presented building a fence at the back of the bleachers in the arena infield. Said fence would start by west gate post and go around the back of bleachers to the arena office with a walk-through gate in it. This would help keep the public separate from the horses. Tyler would like to pay for this fencing. Jake moved to allow Tyler to build the fence. Todd seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 8:03 pm.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Approved: Fair Board Chairperson Date