

**Verde Valley Fair Association**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting Minutes September 15, 2020**

5:00 p.m. - Regular meeting

In attendance: President Nate Jackson, Vice President Sonny Zale, Secretary Claudia Schwisow 5:11 pm, Treasurer Beth Canedy, Board member Kami Mulcaire (via Zoom) and Director Coleen Gilboy in addition, public Eric Banuelos 5:05 and Dan Sullivan 5:30.

Absent: none

Meeting was called to order at 5:01 pm

**Consent agenda** – Ms. Canedy made the Motion to approve the Minutes from July 21, 2020 Regular meeting. Mr. Zale 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion – all in favor.

**Chairman's Report** - \*Coconino fair went great.

**Administration Report** - \*Fall Festival is waiting on approval from the City so we can have more than 50 people. Payson had their fair and their auction numbers were really high and they had a carnival. Bathroom needs a 2 inch line.

**Financials** - Ms. Schwisow made the Motion to accept financials. Mr. Zale seconded the Motion. All in favor.

**Old Business** –

- A) **2020 Executive Board Scholarship** – There were 5 entries, 1 was incomplete so was not ranked. The other 4 were graded on 4 criteria as well as content. An individual that does not have any connection with the fair or the fair families ranked the entries. Discussion on amount for each and how to award the funds. After discussion on their goal for the scholarship Mr. Zale Motioned that applicants one and two would get \$500, applicant three would be \$400 and applicant four would get \$300. Ms. Schwisow 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion. No more discussion and it passed all in favor.

**New business**

- A) **Used AC Units** – 3D Refrigeration has used AC units for \$600, to be a back up if the office or the boardroom units if one goes out again. With the used unit for the Boardroom we will see if we can pipe it into the Livestock office. Direction to get more information on the age of the units and how much to install them.
- B) **2019-2020 Audit** – We received our annual audit back and we just had 2 journal entries to classify the Fixed Assets from the expense account over to the Capital account and the second entry was to record the depreciation.
- C) **Arizona Fair Association – AFA Dues** – The AFA board is looking at working with lobbyist to try to get help with funding. If Western Fairs and International Fairs join our efforts, our dues will not have to be increased as much. The board only wants the increase to be for one year. We will know more details soon.
- D) **Used Floor Machine** - We purchased a floor cleaning machine 2 years ago and it has made an incredible difference in the time it takes to mop the floors – we have been given the opportunity to purchase another one (used this time), they are asking \$2,500. Ms. Schwisow made the Motion to offer less and in January if we have more funds we can offer more. Mr. Zale seconded the motion all in favor.
- E) **MRI Contract** – Mr. Jackson had a question if MRI finished re-claiming the slag pile faster than expected – what did the contract say. They have to give us 120 day notice if they are going to be done. If that notice is given, they do not have to continue paying after that notice is up.

**Committee Report –**

**Livestock:** Leader meeting tonight to go over all the rule changes, Steer entries are live now, Outside residents had to apply and will be approved tonight, Steer tag in date has been set and review of awards needed for the 2021 fair.

**Arena Report:** - No report

**RV Camping Spots –** We had a lot of camper from the Christian Motorcyclist Association (CMA) they came during the normal time for Thunder Valley Rally and they had a great time.

**Bathrooms –** Need a 2 inch water line to run the toilets – closest one is on East end of Show Barn – there is a chance that the 2 inch line gets run and there is not enough pressure to flush the toilets – these are tankless toilets.

**Shop** - No update

**Rentals –**Benefit for Officer Makuch will be held here at fairgrounds in the Commercial building.

**Possible Executive Session –** none

**Adjournment –** 6:28 pm Ms. Schwisow made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Mulcaire seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.